

# MINUTES

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## Board of Fire Engineers Board, Committee, Office, Etc.

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Date: September 10, 2018 Time: 6:30 P.M.  
Present: Chief Hamilton, Deputy Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Piscitelli,  
Asst. Chief Silver  
Absent: Asst. Chief Gasco

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Minutes from August 13, 2018 were corrected and approved. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

### INTERVIEW-RYAN BEDARD

Ryan Bedard met with the Board to review his application for membership. He is a member of the Explorer Post. After the interview, Asst. Chief Silver made a motion to appoint Mr. Bedard as a recruit in training pending a successful physical exam, drug screening, physical ability test, and C.O.R.I. report. This was seconded by Deputy Chief Rudge and carried on a 4-0 vote. Mr. Bedard will be assigned to Fire HQ.

### NEW BOILER/GENERATOR FOR STATION 3

Eversource notified Chief Hamilton that the State gave them approval to dig up the road at Station 3 to tie into the gas line. Work will be done this week. Chief Hamilton had quotes from Atlantic Power Services and MPC to complete the conversion. One more quote is needed. There will be no charge for installing the gas line if it's done before 12/31/18. Discussion took place. Deputy Chief Rudge made a motion to purchase a new boiler. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Silver and carried on a 4-0 vote.

### PRE INCIDENT PLANS

There were no pre incident plans to review.

### OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- As part of their ceremony, the National Honor Society will have a bon fire at the High School on 10/10/18 from 6 pm to 8 pm. Engine 3 and Forestry 1 will be on site.
- Engine 1 will go to SVI in the morning for completion of repairs. Engine 5 is scheduled to go next week.
- The relief valves on Engine 2 & Engine 5 are not working. W.D. Perkins will be in this week to do repairs.
- Recruit Robbins and Recruit Hebert were accepted into the next recruit training class set to begin on 11/3/18. Classes will be held at the new Leicester Fire Station with training drills being held in Stow and Springfield. Recruit Gasco needs to pass the physical ability test before she can apply to the next recruit training program.
- The mechanic's drop for Hose 1 will be installed this week.

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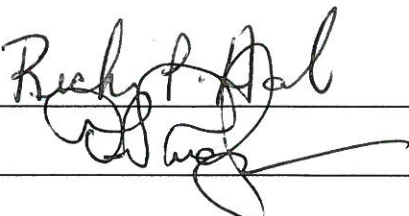
- Chief Hamilton told the Board about an accident at Station 3. The truck was moved before the overhead door was completely raised. The overhead door was repaired but a dent remains. While checking on this, Asst. Chief Piscitelli noticed the closer arm on the station door was bent almost in half. This was done deliberately. Asst. Chief Silver is investigating. If no one comes forward, the Station will pay for a replacement from their funds.
- W.D. Perkins serviced the pump on Hose 1 and found it needs to be rebuilt which could cost as much as \$13,000. Chief Hamilton asked the Board if it was worth repairing. Discussion took place. It was agreed to use the truck only to carry hose (it was recently converted to 5" hose). All stations will be notified that the pump is not to be used.
- Each station received 50' of additional hose for the mattydales.
- Ziebart gave a quote of \$399 to undercoat Car 1. Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to have the work done. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Silver and carried on a 4-0 vote.
- Twenty-eight households applied for the free smoke detectors being offered by the American Red Cross. Asst. Chief Silver needs to schedule appointments to have the detectors installed.
- There was no update on the equipment that needs to be returned from Nicholas Rinaldo, Othoniel Medina, and Neal Morrissey.
- The School Department approved digging at the Shaw School so the fire alarm wire can be placed underground.
- The confined space work for the installation of the sewer line along Rt. 20 in Millbury has been completed. Blasting has finished as well.
- Sunrise Detox will hold an open house in October. Chief Hamilton wants to arrange a tour of the building before that. All systems have been upgraded. Only the first floor will be used for clients at this time, and the kitchen is located in the basement. The facility will be staffed 24-hours a day.
- Board members discussed a false alarm that happened at the High School as the students were arriving in the morning. Two cruisers were in the back of the building. Instead of addressing the traffic so fire apparatus could get in, they were inside the building looking for the cause of the alarm. Chief Hamilton will speak with Chief Desorcy about this.
- Deputy Chief Rudge said he saw the hydrant on Rt. 20 located near the bridge. He said it is very accessible but should be flagged so it is easier to find.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli said Baker Fire took extinguishers off Engine 5 a month ago for refilling but they have not been returned. Chief Hamilton will check on this.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli said FF. Smith needs a battery for her flashlight. Chief Hamilton provided one for her.

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- Asst. Chief Piscitelli asked if a notice could be sent out advertising the Lion's Club Car Show being held this weekend. He will have a vehicle at the show.
- Chief Hamilton told the Board that Brennan Salo submitted plans for two three-story homes at West Main and Beach Street. A flow test was done but the results were not correct. Another test will be done on Wednesday.
- Deputy Chief Rudge said he saw a foundation near Roger's Farm on West Main. He asked how many homes were going in. Chief Hamilton will check.
- Asst. Chief Silver asked if the code for Station 3 could be changed. Asst. Chief Piscitelli will take care of this.
- Asst. Chief Silver said this year's Open House will be held on 10/10/18 from 5:30 to 8:00. He is looking for help for the event. Papa Gino's will provide the Pizza. One truck will need to do the safety night for Papa Gino's in return. He also needs to schedule the school visits for Fire Prevention Week.
- Asst. Chief Silver told the Board that Engine 3 will take part in the Annual Block Party on 9/15/18.
- Asst. Chief Silver asked if Senator Michael Moore could be involved when the new gear is purchased since he was instrumental in getting the funds for Millbury. Chief Hamilton said he will notify Senator Moore.
- Chief Hamilton told the Board that all confined space rescue equipment was ordered through Ray's True Value.
- The annual Firefighters Memorial Service will be held on 9/30/18 at the 11 a.m. Mass at St. Brigid's. A reminder will be sent out.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn at 19:45.

  
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