

# MINUTES

Board of Fire Engineers  
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Date: October 15, 2018 Time: 6:30 P.M.  
Present: Chief Hamilton, Deputy Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Gasco,  
Asst. Chief Piscitelli, Asst. Chief Silver  
Absent: None

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Minutes from October 1, 2018 were approved. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

## REVIEW QUARTERLY REPORTS

Quarterly reports were reviewed. Chief Hamilton and Asst. Chief Gasco were satisfied with HQ's attendance. Deputy Chief Rudge will speak to FF. John Nicholson about his low attendance. Asst. Chief Silver was satisfied with Station 3's attendance. Asst. Chief Piscitelli requested that Lt. Krumsiek meet with the Board on 11/5/18 to review his low attendance. With the upcoming retirement of Capt. Brock, Asst. Chief Piscitelli said the Board needs to look ahead.

## PRE INCIDENT PLANS-SUNRISE DETOX

The Board reviewed a Pre Incident Plan (PIP) for Box 112 prepared by Chief Hamilton. Sunrise Detox, 29 Main Street, is a drug/alcohol treatment facility. Although staff labeled the rear entrance as the main entrance, the Fire Department will consider the Main Street entrance as the "A" side. Four staff members are on duty overnight and ten during the day. Door codes are in the Knox Box and a map of devices is located in the entry. Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to accept the PIP. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 5-0 vote. A layout of the building will be included with the PIP. Chief Hamilton said he viewed the old part of the building, which is not being used at this time. The heat in that area will be repaired.

## OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- The Board discussed the technical rescue incident that occurred at Wheelabrator on 10/14/18. Two workers were stuck 30' down in the boiler and District 7's Technical Rescue Team had to be activated. The Board reviewed the log from District 7's Comm. Team. Although the workers were not injured, their "rescue" was delayed because they wanted to raise the sky climber they were on as well. The equipment needed to do this was located in Webster and the Team had to wait for its arrival.
- FF. LaVallee notified the Board that FF. Paszkowski completed his on-road driver training. At this time, FF. Paszkowski can drive Engine 3 for training and when returning from an incident until he completes pump training.

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- Recruit Nicholas Langevin will graduate from the Call/Volunteer Recruit Training Program on 11/1/18. Board members will attend.
- Chief Hamilton thanked Asst. Chief Silver for the efficient way he organized the smoke detector installation program. Members of the American Red Cross also commented on this. More than 45 homes were outfitted with 145 smoke detectors and 40 carbon monoxide alarms. With the help of several firefighters, Chief Hamilton, Jeff Dore, Edd Cote, and Officer Dan Daly, the installations went smoothly. The American Red Cross is willing to come back another time.
- Chief Hamilton wanted the Board to be aware that District 7's Dive Team will be training on MacArthur Drive on 10/9 & 10/10.
- Board members agreed to get a cable box for the TV in their office.
- The Open House went well and fire prevention school visits were being done this week.
- Deputy Chief Rudge said he is clearing the generator for the repeater site.
- A developer interested in the Clearview Country Club contacted Chief Hamilton for his opinion. Chief Hamilton said he wanted to stay neutral on the subject but would appreciate the water line being brought up Park Hill Avenue.
- Plymovent installed the exhaust drop for Hose 1 at Station 2. It has to be removed manually. Signage will be placed in the cab of the truck reminding the driver of this.
- The owner of Scannell's block pulled a permit to restore the sprinkler system at the site. He also signed a contract with Colby Fire Protection to do the work. Chief Hamilton issued an exemption for upgrading the FDC connection at this time. He also cancelled the continuance scheduled for 10/10/18.
- Chief Hamilton reported the court case of M Sciascia vs. Millbury would be presented on 10/29/18.
- Board members reviewed the options for a gear dryer. Info is as follows: \$6700 for a 4-station, \$7400 for a 6-station, and \$7700 for an 8-station. After determining that the 8-station would fit at Fire HQ, Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase it. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Silver and carried on a 5-0 vote.
- Chief Hamilton updated the snow/access roads to the Mass. Pike and the direction of travel an engine should take depending on the mile marker. He asked Asst. Chief Piscitelli to review it for accuracy. The Board agreed to use it and a copy will be provided to the dispatchers. Chief Hamilton plans to do the same for Rt. 146.
- Chief Hamilton updated the district street listing. Some streets are divided between two districts. Asst. Chief Silver noted that Wheelock Avenue was missing. The list will be revised and distributed.

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- Deputy Chief Rudge asked if the intake on Engine 4 will be repaired. After some discussion, it was agreed to plug it and leave it as it is for now.
- Deputy Chief Rudge said some body rot on Engine 4 should be repaired now. Chief Hamilton agreed. Discussion took place. Deputy Chief Rudge will check for a place that can do the work. Engine 2 will be done after that.
- Asst. Chief Gasco asked if his gear and helmet have been ordered. He was told yes. Asst. Chief Gasco asked about gloves. Chief Hamilton said he has some but has to determine who needs them.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli had nothing to report.
- Asst. Chief Silver said he spoke with Otto Medina about returning his equipment. Mr. Medina will bring everything in on 10/17/18.
- Asst. Chief Silver said the Lions Club will sponsor two of their meat raffles for the Explorer Post. They are scheduled for 11/17/18 and 3/2/19 at the St. Charles.
- The Ladies Auxiliary will hold their meat raffle on 10/27/18.
- The Mary B. Grogan grant is available again. Asst. Chief Silver will apply for jackets for the Explorer Post.
- Chief Hamilton said a new manager was hired for the Cobblestone Village project. It should move more quickly now.
- Puffins Restaurant has been torn down. Plans to rebuild have not been submitted.
- Chief Hamilton said there was a proposal to build a 12-apartment building at the corner of Cherry & West Street. No plans have been submitted.
- The Police Chief is considering closing more roads with access to Rt. 146- such as Herricks Lane and Sycamore Street (west).
- The Public Building Siting Committee approved an RFQ. It went to Town Counsel for review. Once approved, the Committee can go out to bid.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn at 20:00.

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