

MINUTES

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

Date: October 24, 2016 Time: 6:30 P.M.
Present: Chief Hamilton, Deputy Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Piscitelli,
Absent: Asst. Chief Gasco, Asst. Chief Silver

Minutes from October 3 were available for approval. Invoices were signed
Account balances were reviewed. Mail was read.

FIRE DEPARTMENT I.D.'S

This item was held until a full Board is present.

TRAINING SCHEDULE THROUGH END OF YEAR

This item was held until a full Board is present.

PRE INCIDENT PLANS

There were no pre-incident plans to review.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- Chief Hamilton provided the following apparatus report based on P.M.s done earlier this month:

Engine 1: left rear step light out; high beam problems; right rear amber strobe out; driver's side telescoping light out; officer's side directional out.

Tower 1: all set

Rescue 1: all set

Engine 2: Driver's side quartz light out; driver's side washer hose broken; oil pressure gauge intermittent; radio volume issues; 2 ½" crosslay gauge not working; compartment doors have rot; driver's side rear door trim falling off

Engine 4: Out of service for pump repairs

Hose 1: air pressure problem; oil leaking on floor; battery terminal corrosion; cab light lenses look melted

Engine 3: driver's rear spotlight out; water tank gauge issue; passenger side under door marker light out

Forestry 1: problem with horn

Engine 5: directional lever has problems; fans in cab by windshield on/off switch doesn't work; driver's side rear outer tire valve stem problem; foam adjustment lever does not work; trash line valve leaks; LDH discharge leaking; passenger side panel lights out

10/19/16: Town Mechanic replace both batteries in F1

- Chief Hamilton said the parts for Engine 4 have been ordered. Also, the Town Mechanic will begin working Saturdays and may be able to do some fire department truck repairs.
- Chief Hamilton updated the Board about a proposed regional dispatch center. Millbury was invited to an informational meeting and Chief Hamilton and Chief Desorcy attended. The center will include Southbridge, Sturbridge, Charlton, Oxford, and Spencer. The old Oxford police station is being considered for the site. Although this would be a cost saving

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- measure for Millbury, Chief Hamilton and Chief Desorcy will notify the Board of Selectmen that they prefer to opt out of the proposal at this time. Both chiefs would favor a Millbury-Sutton-Grafton center instead.
- Chief Hamilton will meet with IMC to review their fire program software. This program is used by the police department and eventually the two could be linked to automatically fill in certain information in run reports.
 - Chief Hamilton attended a meeting with local officials from Grafton, Millbury and Sutton to begin the renewal process of the contract with MedStar. He will keep the Board updated as the issue progresses.
 - Asst. Chief Piscitelli will check the windows in the ambulance crew room. They are drafty. He will also check the lock on the side door at Fire HQ (Library side).
 - The Board received a response from Paul Revere Village. They provided documentation indicating that the hydrants and water tank were maintained and/or tested last year. New street signs have been ordered and will be replaced.
 - Asst. Chief Piscitelli said the chairman of the Tiffany Circle Association questioned if Aquarion is responsible for testing their hydrants. Chief Hamilton will check on this.
 - Asst. Chief Piscitelli said as of 10/22/16, the fence near the hydrant on Manor Road has not been moved. Chief Hamilton said he spoke to the owner of Miller Fence who agreed to move it. Chief Hamilton will check on this.
 - The sprinkler work on the new Talbot's at the mall has been completed. They expect to open in November.
 - It was determined that the Board voted in November, 1963 not to allow dual membership to the fire and police departments. The Minutes state, "Motion made by Mr. Army and second by Mr. Caplette as follows that on and after Jan. 1-1964 anyone joining the fire dept. cannot belong to the Police Dept. or its auxiliaries (sic). Motion passed by a general vote." Although the firefighter in question is serving as a special, the Board thought this might be setting a precedent. The matter will be discussed when a full Board is present.
 - Deputy Chief Rudge questioned the invoice from R & M Electric. Chief Hamilton explained that the timers for the fire horns were replaced/repared except for Station 3's. All are set to be silent from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.
 - Deputy Chief Rudge commented that whoever cleaned up around Fire HQ did a good job. The outside looks great. He was told that FF. Roy did most of the work.
 - Deputy Chief Rudge asked if anyone inspected the scaffolding at Fire HQ to see how much debris is there. This will be checked.

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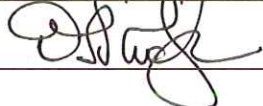
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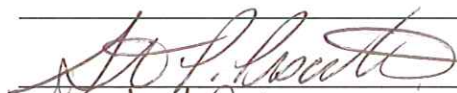
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- Asst. Chief Piscitelli reported Engine 5 has some broken spanner wrenches. Chief Hamilton will order four for the truck.
- Chief Hamilton will meet with a rep from Pierce to get information and an estimate for a new pumper. This is for Millbury's AFG grant application.
- A Relief Association meeting needs to be scheduled.
- Chief Hamilton will contact Lt. Siebenhaar about holding another short arm class. There are several technicians interested in taking it.
- Chief Hamilton said the infrastructure for the pump at Stratford Village is in place. They are waiting for National Grid to do their part.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli asked when building will start on Howe Avenue. Chief Hamilton said he has not received plans yet. The developer agreed to provide optics for the trucks and the Board wants to stay on top of this.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn, and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.









Regina A. Markey, Clerk