

# MINUTES

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

Date: November 19, 2018 Time: 6:30 P.M.  
Present: Chief Hamilton, Deputy Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Silver  
Absent: Asst. Chief Gasco, Asst. Chief Piscitelli

Minutes from November 5, 2018 were not available. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

### PRE INCIDENT PLANS

There were no pre-incident plans to review.

### OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- OSHA is looking into the confined space rescue that happened at Wheelabrator on 10/14/18. They are requesting information from the Fire Department.
- A demo gear dryer is at Fire HQ for the Board to review. Chief Hamilton will continue to look for other dryers that are available.
- DFS has not moved on the grant funds to purchase and distribute gear washers. The Board would like to purchase one now. Chief Hamilton got a quote of \$7540 from Garment Machine for the washer and installation. Deputy Chief Rudge made a motion to purchase the washer. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Silver and carried on a 3-0 vote. It will be installed at Station 5. Plumbing and electrical still need to be done.
- Sunrise Detox changed the door codes. New cards have been made up and placed in the fire alarm panel. The center plans to do fire drills on a monthly basis-although this is not necessary.
- Aaron Cluett returned all equipment earlier today.
- A letter will be sent to Senator Moore requesting funds for a generator for Station 3.
- Mulhane Funeral Home donated a body bag to replace the one used during the Blackstone River incident.
- The Ladies Auxiliary donated four tool kits and carrying cases. One will be placed on each engine-no rusty tools are to be placed in the cases. The Board appreciates the donation.
- Board members are reviewing specs for a new pumper to replace Hose 1. Chief Hamilton had a couple of questions for the Board to consider:
  1. Swing doors are preferred over rollup doors. But, there is a rollup door available that would go over the pump panel protecting the gauges. This would require speedlay instead of crosslay. Would the Board be interested in this door? Board members asked what the difference was between a speedlay and a crosslay. More information will be obtained.
  2. Does the Board prefer aluminum or fiberglass ladders? Fiberglass is preferred.

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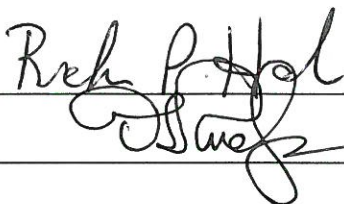
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- 3. Concerning foam, should the A & B lines be pre piped? Asst. Chief Silver said he likes the set up on Engine 3.
- 4. Is a front brow light necessary.

Final decisions will be made when a full Board is present.

- Chief Hamilton and Asst. Chief Silver attended a first responder's sign language class held in Sutton. Chief Hamilton would like to hold a class in Millbury. Board members agreed. This will be scheduled for December 17, 2018.
- The alarm system at CareOne seems to be working ok.
- The design plans for Puffins have changed. The lower area will house the kitchen, office, and service areas. Upstairs will be for dining only.
- Chief Hamilton told the Board about a phone service command center that the School Department wants to purchase. He asked if the Board was interested in getting one. Discussion took place-more information will be obtained before a decision is made.
- Asst. Chief Silver asked if the funds for protective clothing have been received. He was told yes and gear has been ordered. It should be delivered in January. Asst. Chief Silver would like to set up a "PR" event to highlight the donation and thank Senator Moore for his help in getting the funds. The Board agreed.
- Asst. Chief Silver gave an update on the status of Tanner Gasco. Mr. Gasco has been dismissed from the Explorer Post because of his involvement with a dumpster fire at Windle Field.
- A swearing in ceremony will be held for FF. Mary Ann Smith and FF. Nicholas Langevin during the Selectmen's meeting on 11/27/18.

Asst. Chief Silver made a motion to adjourn at 19:03.

  
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