

# MINUTES

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

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Date: December 3, 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 November 5 and November 19, 2018 were approved. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

## 7:00 P.M. LT. KRUMSIEK

Lt. Krumsiek met with the Board to review his attendance over the past year. With Capt. Brock's retirement at the end of the month, the Board is looking to the future. Asst. Chief Piscitelli said the captain has to be available and responding to alarms. The position is a lot of work and you can't count on the lieutenant to do it all. Deputy Chief Rudge agreed saying the captain needs to be around and not leave everything to the lieutenant. Asst. Chief Silver said you have to lead by example- you need to respond and be available. Lt. Krumsiek explained that between work and family, the last six-months have been tough. He's been working in Lawrence in the aftermath of the gas leaks. He expects this to slow down in the next couple of months. The Board thanked Lt. Krumsiek for coming in.

## FIRE CHIEF'S REVIEW

Only two evaluations were received for the Fire Chief's review. The item will be rescheduled once all evaluations are turned in.

## PRE INCIDENT PLANS

The Board reviewed a pre incident plan (PIP) for United Materials Management, 333A Southwest Cutoff, prepared by Chief Hamilton. Discussion took place. Deputy Chief Rudge made a motion to approve the PIP. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Silver and carried on a 4-0 vote.

## OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- The Board decided to cancel the Board meeting scheduled for 12/17/18. The Town Clerk will be notified.
- The new gear washer was installed at Station 5. It still needs to be wired. This brought up discussion about purchasing a washer for Station 3. Asst. Chief Silver made a motion to purchase a gear washer for Station 3. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 4-0 vote.
- Chief Hamilton explained the problem getting the original dehydrator (gear dryer) the Board wanted. It has been ordered and should be delivered in January. The Board did not like the demo dryer from another manufacturer.

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**MINUTES CONTINUED**

- The Dept. of Environmental Protection is handling the oil spill that occurred at 392 West Main Street. Approximately 40-gallons flowed into the basement when a fill pipe rotted.
- The Board discussed the fire that happened at 26 Stone Road. It is still under investigation.
- Deputy Chief Rudge asked about the road construction on Howe Avenue. He was told new piping is being installed to help alleviate the flooding that happens when it rains. The work should be completed in a couple of days.
- Deputy Chief Rudge is reviewing the specs for the new fire truck.
- Deputy Chief Rudge asked about the election being held on 12/6/18 concerning the purchase of Clearview. He was told that because the election was already scheduled, it could not be canceled. The vote is non-binding.
- The new uniform hats are in. Chief Hamilton will pick them up and distribute them.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn at 19:34.

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