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

Date: January 5, 2015 Time: 6:30 P.M.

Present: Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Hamilton, Asst. Chief Hobin,
Asst. Chief Gasco, Asst. Chief Piscitelli

Absent: None

Minutes from 12/15/14 were approved. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

6:45 P.M. - INTERVIEW- KEITH MARDEROSIAN

Keith Marderosian met with the Board to review his application for membership. Mr. Marderosian was previously on the Department in 2002 but did not complete recruit training. He applied again in May, 2014 but withdrew his application after the interview. He now has the time to make the commitment. Chief Rudge explained the training program and Board members asked several questions. Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to appoint Keith Marderosian 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 Asst. Chief Hobin and carried on a 5-0 vote. Mr. Marderosian was assigned to Station 5.

TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR 2015

Board members reviewed the training schedule prepared by Asst. Chief Hobin. Asst. Chief Gasco asked to change the ice rescue review scheduled for 1/12 to 2/9 and have inventory done instead. Asst. Chief Hobin said his idea was to have the ice rescue review done early in the season. This brought about a lengthy discussion on whether Rescue 1's crew was prepared to respond with the new boat. Asst. Chief Gasco assured Chief Rudge that the crew on Rescue 1 was ready to respond with the boat but not everyone at Fire HQ has been trained on it. The Board agreed to change the ice rescue review to 2/9 and inventory to 1/12. Actual ice rescue training will be done on Saturday, 2/14/15. A morning and afternoon session will be scheduled. March 9 and March 16 are open nights. Asst. Chief Hobin may have Sutton feature their fan truck one evening. Capt. Silver also asked for a couple of nights to do RIT training-although this does not have to be on a Monday night. Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to approve the training schedule with noted changes. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 5-0 vote.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- Asst. Chief Hamilton will bring Engine 2 to Specialty Vehicles on January 8 for crosslay repairs.
- Chief Rudge was pleased with the number of members who were at the ceremony for Joe DeAngelis' graduation from the Call/Volunteer Training Class on 12/30/14. Asst. Chief Gasco then made a motion to appoint

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Joseph DeAngelis as a regular member of the Millbury Fire Department effective January 1, 2015. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 5-0 vote.

- Chief Rudge will check with Bob Spain to see if the SCBA bid has been advertised.
- Chief Rudge reported the Sighting Committee met on 12/18/14 and he was appointed as the Vice Chair. The architect will meet with the Committee on 1/8/15 to finalize two locations for the building. The group will seek funds at the next Town Meeting to have plans drawn up. Chief Rudge will do a video next week that will show the cramped conditions of each station. This will be used as a PSA on the cable channel.
- Chief Rudge is still working with Worcester Fire about having a single department response for any incident at Air Liquide Gas on Rt. 20.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli will bring Engine 5 to Fleet Electric to see if they can repair the generator.
- There was nothing new to report on Michael Sciascia and the letter received from his attorney.
- Repairs at Steelcraft are almost complete.
- Board members reviewed the budget for FY16 and agreed:
 - Salaries should be increased at the same rate as union increases
 - Stipends will be increased since the last increase was in 2013
 - Purchase of Services will be level funded
 - Supplies will be level funded. Asst. Chief Hobin asked about a gear rack for Station 3. He was told it may be purchased from this year's budget if funds remain at the end of the year.
 - Professional Development will be level funded
 - Mileage Reimbursement will be level funded
 - Capital Outlay will include funds for turn out gear, replacement of six windows at Station 2, replacement of the boiler at Station 2, and a printer for the office.

An estimate for the boiler replacement is needed. The budget is due on 1/16/15. Board members approved the budget pending the estimate for the boiler replacement.

- Asst. Chief Hamilton reported Firematic did hydraulic repairs on Rescue 1 at no charge. The leak should have been corrected when Firematic did previous repairs.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton is working on portable radios for Engine 3.
- The Millbury Sutton Chronicle did an article on the detectors for the hearing impaired. Asst. Chief Hamilton was featured and noted that more people requested the detectors. He is waiting to hear if the Dept. of Fire Services has some available. If not, he will purchase them through the Senior S.A.F.E. Grant. Asst. Chief Gasco and Asst. Chief Piscitelli helped to install the equipment.

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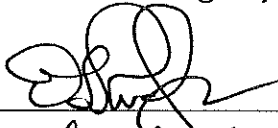
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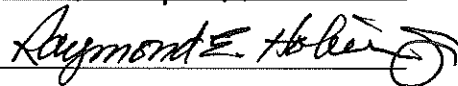
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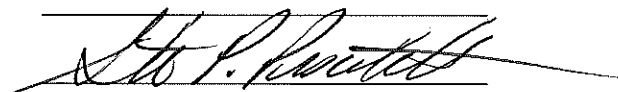
- Asst. Chief Hamilton ordered Minitor VI pagers for the Board. He also distributed new flashlights to the Board tonight.
- Board members said the driver training program presented by Officer Gasco went well.
- Asst. Chief Hobin said FF. Jeff Kosiba and FF. Nick Rinaldo still need to be pump tested. Both should be ready soon.
- The smoke machine needs to be repaired. Asst. Chief Hamilton will get prices for a new one.
- Asst. Chief Hobin will contact MedStar to arrange first responder training for those who never took the initial class.
- Asst. Chief Gasco will order four-cycle gas for each station.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli will check on Engine 5's deck gun handle.
- Asst. Chief Gasco is still working on the S.O.G.'s for Fox Bus and the new boat. Asst. Chief Hamilton said he has reviewed the S.O.G.'s and most need to be revised. He suggested the Board review two S.O.G.'s at each meeting and update them until all are done. Board members agreed.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton purchased a new wireless projector with remaining funds from the FY14 Senior S.A.F.E. Grant.
- Asst. Chief Gasco asked if the Board wanted to purchase the demo apron for the boat. The medium weight apron will cost \$500 and the heavy \$750. Asst. Chief Gasco said as often as we are going to use the apron, he felt the medium duty would be fine. Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase the medium duty apron. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 5-0 vote.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli said some of the guys at Station 5 still need ID badges. Discussion took place. Emergency Management recently purchased an ID machine. The Board was not sure if this could be used. They also questioned if Sutton's template could be used in the new machine. It was agreed to have Sutton do the remaining ID's needed.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



Richard P. Hal


Raymond E. Hobin



St. P. Piscitelli