

MINUTES

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

Date: January 9, 2017 Time: 6:30 P.M.
Present: Chief Hamilton, Deputy Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Gasco,
Asst. Chief Piscitelli,
Absent: Asst. Chief Silver (working)

Minutes from December 19 were not available. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances reviewed.

REVIEW QUARTERLIES

Board members reviewed quarterlies from all stations. One member from Engine 3 will be asked to meet with the Board due to near zero attendance.

The Board agreed to meet individually with those who are on an extended leave to get an update on their status. Meetings will be scheduled for 1/23/17.

PRE INCIDENT PLANS

The Board reviewed a new pre incident plan (PIP) for CareOne drawn up by Chief Hamilton. Discussion took place. CareOne will provide a new map for the facility as well as a copy of their response plan. The map will be posted near the panel. It was decided to wait for a full Board before acting on the PIP.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- The Board discussed recent mutual aid calls.
- The Officers class will start on 1/10/17. Not all company officers signed up. A certificate will be issued to those attending all classes.
- The Board reviewed proposals from National Grid for lighting at all stations. The initial cost is \$29,770. National Grid offers an incentive and a zero-finance option for two years. The Board would pay \$3,378 initially and then \$745 monthly to pay off the balance. Discussion took place. The Board agreed that HQ was a priority and should be done first. Chief Hamilton is working with the Energy Advisory Committee to see if they are willing to fund some (or all) of the cost. He will update the Board.
- Asst. Chief Gasco told the Board that Firematic was in today to upgrade the SCBA's. They will finish tomorrow. A louder alarm was installed in the pass devices. An NFPA sticker must be placed on the pack before the new alarm can be used-stickers should be available tomorrow. Also, universal fill adapters were replaced and other features were updated (Bluetooth).
- Chief Hamilton informed the Board about a situation at a home on Benton Street. Someone is living in the basement with only one means of egress. The Building Inspector issued an order to vacate within 48-hours. The Board should be aware of this if an incident occurs at the location.
- A meeting will be held tomorrow at 3:15 at the Town Hall to review the Ramshorn Dam repairs & the new dry hydrant. Chief Hamilton will attend.

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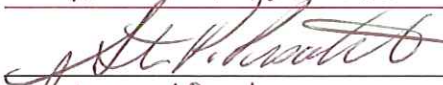
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- Asst. Chief Gasco presented a training schedule through the end of June. He said there are a lot of new guys on the department who haven't done some of the tours or basic training. He scheduled tours of Barrday and S & D Spinning. He is working on the second half of the year. Chief Hamilton told Gasco he did an excellent job. After reviewing the schedule, Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to approve the schedule. This was seconded by Deputy Chief Rudge and carried on a 4-0 vote.
- The School and Police Departments will hold a full scale A.L.I.C.E. drill in April. All departments will participate-including Fire.
- Chief Hamilton will order gloves from the Fire Store. Asst. Chief Gasco did not like the pairs he tried from Firematic.
- Deputy Chief Rudge has almost completed the PIP for Bramanville.
- Deputy Chief Rudge asked about a large area of land cleared on RT. 146 - north (just past Dierenzo's). Board members were not aware of a project in this location and Chief Hamilton will check with the Building Inspector.
- Deputy Chief Rudge told the Board that the access road to the Mass. Pike at Exit 10A is blocked by construction barriers. Asst. Chief Gasco said he spoke to a DOT worker who said this was temporary-until the toll removal project is complete. Chief Hamilton said there is a meeting on 1/11/17 to update the project-he may attend.
- Asst. Chief Gasco asked about Engine 5's dual-powered fan. He was told the fan was picked up and sent back to the factory for repairs.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli asked if there was anything that can be done about the dispatching. Numerous errors have been made, and the dispatching manual is not being followed. Discussion took place. It was agreed the dispatchers should be familiar with the manual/procedures. Chief Hamilton will address this with Chief Desorcy.
- Deputy Chief Rudge asked if there was any update on the Public Safety Building. Chief Hamilton said this needs to be brought to the attention of the new town manager.
- Chief Hamilton suggested inviting the new town manager to a Board meeting. Board members agreed and a date will be chosen.

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









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