

MINUTES

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

Date: March 9, 2015 Time: 6:30 P.M.
Present: Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Hamilton, Asst. Chief Hobin,
Asst. Chief Gasco, Asst. Chief Piscitelli
Absent: None

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

REVIEW S.O.G.'s #3 & #4

Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG) #3 and #4 were reviewed. A few changes were made to both. They will be on the Agenda for the next Board meeting.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- Chief Rudge provided the following truck repair report based on P.M.'s done on 3/2/15:
 - Engine 1: air leak, high beams not working properly, radio not working-Asst. Chief Hamilton to check, cracks under cab, need ash bucket
 - Tower 1: Driver's side front outrigger skirt dented
 - Rescue 1: ok
 - Engine 2: driver's side top front red strobe out, passenger side front red strobe out, passenger rear strobe out, driver's side quartz light out.
 - Engine 4: rust areas over rear wheel wells,
 - Hose 1: fuel gauge not working
 - Engine 3: no report submitted
 - Forestry 1: no report submitted
 - Engine 5: generator fuel tank repair, windshield washer pump not working, strobes out in rear bumper, front driver's side strobe out.
- Chief Rudge will meet with Bob Spain tomorrow to review the differences between the bids received for the SCBA.
- Chief Rudge gave the Board an update on the budget meeting that took place with the Finance Committee and the Town Manager on 3/7/15. The boiler at Station 2 will be a priority for the FY17 budget and the office printer will be taken from the Town's IT account. Bob Spain assured Chief Rudge that if the funds that were cut are needed, they would be restored.
- The Public Safety Building Sighting Committee is making progress on a location and design. They will place an article on the warrant for funds for design plans. The Committee will meet again on 3/18/15.
- Chief Rudge read a letter from FF. Michael Couture asking for a medical leave of absence. Asst. Chief Hobin made a motion to give Michael Couture a six-month medical leave of absence and he must provide a doctor's letter stating he can resume firefighting activities before returning to active duty. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 5-0 vote.

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BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

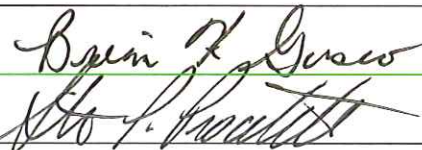
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- Rick Bedard submitted a plan to number the outside doors at the public schools. Chief Rudge made some minor changes and approved the plan.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton had information and quotes for a smoke machine. The Board would like to see a demonstration.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton had quotes for a new light for Engine 1. He made a motion to spend no more than \$250 to replace the light. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 5-0 vote.
- Asst. Chief Hobin gave an update on ice rescue training. The classroom portion was being done tonight with the entire department. The practical is scheduled for April 11, 2015.
- Asst. Chief Gasco is working on the SOG for Fox Bus.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton said a Boy Scout is looking for an Eagle Scout project. He suggested modernizing the bathroom at Station 3. Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to spend no more than \$800 on supplies to update Station 3's bathroom. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 5-0 vote.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton will check on the solar panels installed at 95 Elm Street.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to purchase gear for John Nicholson and pass down the old gear to recruit Fran Harrington. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 5-0 vote.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton asked about buying an electric PPV fan for use with CO calls. The gas fans can add to the CO level in a building. Board members agreed to wait until the end of the fiscal year for this purchase.
- Asst. Chief Hobin asked about the notices from the Building Inspector concerning unsafe buildings. He wanted to know why the Fire Department was not more involved. Chief Rudge explained that the problems are "structural" and this falls under the Building Inspector's responsibilities.
- Asst. Chief Gasco asked about radio programming and a radio for the boat. Asst. Chief Hamilton said the portable and two circuit boards are on order.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli asked about "ALICE" training at the schools and if the Fire Department was going to be involved. Chief Rudge will contact the Police Department for more information.

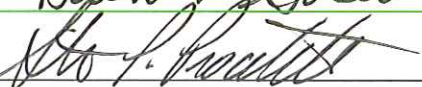
Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Rick P. Hart



Brian J. Gasco



Asst. Chief Piscitelli