

MINUTES

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

Date: April 10, 2017 Time: 6:30 P.M.
Present: Chief Hamilton, Deputy Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Gasco,
Asst. Chief Piscitelli, Asst. Chief Silver
Absent: None

Minutes from March 20 were not available. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

REGIONAL DISPATCH CENTER

Chief Hamilton attended a meeting outlining the central regional dispatch center (C-REC) being formed. Charlton, Oxford, Spencer, Sturbridge and Southbridge have joined. Auburn is considering it. The group is looking for a seventh town. The C-REC will be located in Oxford and will handle only emergency calls (police, fire, and EMS). Chief Hamilton said the C-REC would save the Town funds, and a State issued incentive would be divided among the Towns. He said State-training would be provided for the dispatchers and that the C-REC would be manned by seven dispatchers at all times. There would be one person assigned to oversee all dispatchers. The C-REC would be managed by two Committees. The Operations Committee would consist of the fire and police chief from each town. The Finance Committee would consist of the town manager from each town. Discussion took place. Deputy Chief Rudge would be in favor of joining as long as it doesn't take any money from the fire department's budget. Asst. Chief Gasco would like more information on the C-REC. Asst. Chief Piscitelli agreed that standardized dispatching would be good and he would like to hear more. Asst. Chief Silver would be in favor of joining. Chief Hamilton will speak with Chief Desorcy about the C-REC.

PRE INCIDENT PLANS

The map of CareOne needs to be updated before the PIP can be approved.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- Chief Hamilton attended the FCAM Conference today. He said one of the seminars dealt with growing marijuana-in preparation for medicinal marijuana dispensaries. Also, the Red Cross has a program that installs smoke detectors (free of charge) in homes built prior to 1975.
- The Board was notified of a young man living on Atwood Avenue who would need assistance in leaving his home in case of emergency.
- Chief Hamilton updated the Board on the issues found at Star Dumping. Their occupancy permit may be pulled if the owner does not address the issues outlined by the Fire Dept., Board of Health, and Building Dept.
- The methadone clinic at 50 Howe Avenue is looking for a final inspection. This will be done on 4/12/17. A Knox Box has been installed.

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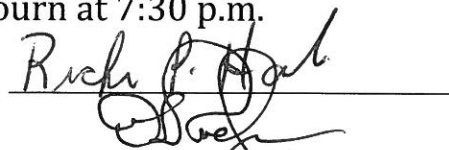
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- Deputy Chief Rudge: had nothing to report at this time.
- Asst. Chief Gasco: asked why the tri-town RIT training was cancelled. Chief Hamilton said there was little interest from Stations 2 & 3. The final training will be done on 4/13/17 with HQ's and Station 5.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli: asked to review the Quarterlies. He wants FF. Morrissey to meet with the Board to go over his low attendance. Asst. Chief Gasco was satisfied with attendance at HQ except for recruit Kalil. Chief Hamilton will speak with him. Deputy Chief Rudge was satisfied with the attendance at Station 2. Asst. Chief Silver wants FF. Medina to meet with the Board to go over his low attendance. The two firefighters will come in on 5/1/17.
- Asst. Chief Silver: told the Board he spoke with recruit Paszkowski about the recruit training class. Paszkowski is trying to take college and recruit classes at the same time. Mass. Academy instructors advised him if he drops the recruit class now, he can apply for the next one. If he fails the class, he cannot. Discussion took place. Asst. Chief Silver made a motion to allow Colton Paszkowski to back out of the current recruit training class and to apply for a later class. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 5-0 vote.
- Notice will be sent to those who have not completed the ethics training.
- The Board discussed an incident that occurred at the Bramanville Industrial Park.
- Asst. Chief Silver said the gear washer is not working. Chief Hamilton will check it.
- Edd Cote dropped off pictures of Sutton's recent structure fire. Asst. Chief Silver will get them to the State Fire Marshal's Office.
- Asst. Chief Silver said he spoke with State Trooper Fleming about the proposed District 7 Fire Investigation Team. Asst. Chief Silver said the trooper was in favor of the team and that District 14 is willing to help out. Asst. Chief Silver said a committee needs to be formed first to create the team.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.







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