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Present:

May 21, 2012 Time: 6:30 p.m. Acting Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Day, MASS.

Asst. Chief Hamilton, Asst. Chief Hobin

Absent: None

Minutes from May 7, 2012 were approved. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were available.

Matthew Belsito resigned from the Fire Department on May 20, 2012 to take the full-time fire chief's position in Sutton. Everyone wishes him great success.

6:45 P.M. INTERVIEW-Othoniel Medina

Othoniel "Otto" Medina met with the Board to review his application for membership. Asst. Chief Hobin made a motion to appoint Mr. Medina as a recruit-in-training pending a successful physical exam, physical ability test and C.O.R.I. report. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 4-0 vote. Mr. Medina will be assigned to Station 3.

7:00 P.M. INTERVIEW-CAPTAIN'S POSITION-STATION 3

Lt. Robert Silver met with the Board to review his application for the captain's position. Board members received a letter from the crew at Station 3 indicating their support of appointing Lt. Silver as the captain. Asst. Chief Hobin also submitted a letter indicating his only recommendation for captain was Lt. Silver. Chief Rudge asked Lt. Silver what his goals/plans are for the station. Lt. Silver replied he would continue to draw the station together. He noted that attendance has improved over the past few months. Lt. Silver also said he wanted to bring the younger members together and improve their experiences and knowledge. Chief Rudge complemented Lt. Silver on his work with the Explorer group and with Rapid Intervention Team training. Asst. Chief Day made a motion to appoint Lt. Silver as the captain of Station 3. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hobin and carried on a 4-0 vote. Captain Silver was congratulated by all Board members.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

Reorganization was tabled until the vacancy on the Board is filled by the Board of Selectmen. Asst. Chief Day recommended appointing an acting chief to handle the day-to-day operations. Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to appoint Asst. Chief Rudge as the acting chief since he had the freshest experience as chief. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hobin and carried on a 4-0 vote. Chief Rudge conducted the remainder of the meeting.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- Board members agreed to hold off posting the Lieutenant's position at Station 3 until the vacancy on the Board was filled.
- Chief Rudge told the Board that there is a problem with the dry hydrant at Lake Singletary. Station 2 will try to determine what the problem is so it can be repaired as soon as possible.
- The replacement grill for Engine 2 has not been delivered.
- The sagging issue on Engine 2 was caused by a tire problem.
- The trim at Station 5 has been finished. An outside light still needs to be installed.
- The wires at Fire HQ have not been moved. Asst. Chief Day said he will check with Larry Moss to see what the holdup is.
- Flags have been replaced at Fire HQ and Station 2
- The pump packings on Engine 3 still need to be adjusted.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton will contact the State concerning the guide wire at Station 3. The Town Manager paid the outstanding bill for the inspection done to determine what was wrong with the wire.
- A replacement window for Station 3 has been ordered.
- The trim around the window at Fire HQ still needs to be painted.
- Lt. Andy Krumsiek and FF. Mike Sciascia still need to turn in their uniforms.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton is arranging the brush burning at the Butler Farm.
- Jon Cuneo resigned from the Fire Department on May 18, 2012. All gear and equipment have been returned.
- A detail to drain and remove the oil tank at Fire HQ needs to be arranged.
- The gas line needs to be connected to the generator at Fire HQ.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton will arrange to have the overflow tank on Engine 1 repaired as soon as possible.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton told the Board the power steering pump on Hose 1 needs to be replaced.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton has completed the list of repairs for Engine 4.
- Pictures for fire department ID's were being done tonight. There is a makeup date of May 23 for those not available.
- The tanks on the skid unit on Forestry 1 have been filled with Class A foam.
- Asst. Chief Hobin said he did not have a chance to speak to the members at Station 3 about the incident that occurred during first responder training.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton proposed that Asst. Chief Hobin take over the training/training schedule for the department. Board members agreed and Asst. Chief Hobin gladly accepted.

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- Asst. Chief Hamilton told the Board the ladder rack on Engine 3 needs major repairs-it does not go up easily. This will have to wait until after the new fiscal year. Asst. Chief Hobin asked if the rack could be converted. Asst. Chief Hamilton said it could not because of the height of the windows on the truck.
- There has been no response from Chief Moore concerning a meeting to review the multi-alarm run cards. This item will be tabled.
- Asst. Chief Day asked when the open water boat would be brought to Fire HQ. Asst. Chief Hamilton will do this tomorrow. The sled and ice boat will be stored at the highway barn.
- Board members talked about arranging a party for Matt Belsito. Asst.
 Chief Hamilton will organize a spaghetti supper for a Monday night.
 Details to follow.

Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Riche P. Hart

Regina A. Markey, Head Clerk