

# MINUTES

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

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Date: June 23, 2014 Time: 6:30 P.M.

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

Absent: Asst. Chief Piscitelli (vacation)

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

## **REORGANIZATION - BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS**

The Selectmen will do their reappointments on 6/24/14. Board members agreed to post a meeting for July 7, 2014 to reorganize.

## **REAPPOINTMENT OF FIREFIGHTERS**

The Board will wait until they reorganize to reappoint members of the fire department.

## **ONE SIGNATURE TO APPROVE CLERK'S PAYROLL**

The Board will wait until they reorganize to act on this item.

## **S.O.G. FOR RAPID DEPLOYMENT CRAFT**

Chief Rudge will present a Standard Operating Guideline for the new boat at a later meeting.

## **OLD & NEW BUSINESS**

- Chief Rudge told the Board that renovations at 8 Ward Avenue will include a fire lane around three sides of the building.
- Station 2 will have pictures taken on 6/30/14.
- The problem with the propane tank installed at a residence on Auburn Road has been forwarded to the State Fire Marshal's Office. They contacted NFPA for comments on the matter.
- Several Board members and firefighters attended the recruit graduation on 6/19/14 in Stow. They were pleased to learn that Rec. Nathaniel Pratt was selected to receive the McNamara Award for "outstanding student achievement" and for ranking first in the class.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton reported 51 people have signed up for the District 7 meeting to be held at the Senior Center on 6/26/14. This does not include Millbury's attendees.
- Chief Rudge reviewed plans for an apartment complex to be located off Howe Avenue. The proposal is for six buildings each housing 12 apartments. The plans have been forwarded to the Fire Marshal's Office for further review/comments.
- Asst. Chief Gasco got a price of \$2725 for a 6-hp outboard motor and stainless steel mount for the new boat. The cost may be reduced if a letter

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is sent to Mercury Motor indicating the equipment will be used by a municipal fire department. Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase a 6-hp Mercury outboard motor for the rescue boat. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 4-0 vote. Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase a stainless steel motor mount for the rescue boat. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 4-0 vote. Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase four life vests for the rescue boat. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 4-0 vote. The equipment will be ordered tomorrow.

- Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase four halligan bars. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 4-0 vote. Two will go on Rescue 1 and two on Tower 1.
- Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase two Ventis gas detectors. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 4-0 vote. One will go on Rescue 1, the other on Engine 5. The additional sensor for the MSA meter will be purchased after July 1, 2014.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to purchase a gated wye for Engine 5. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hobin and carried on a 4-0 vote.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to purchase four pairs of boots if funding is available. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 4-0 vote.
- MedStar is ready to move into their new quarters at Fire HQ. The car port housing the ambulance still needs electrical work and insulation. Bob Spain noted the Fire Department will absorb these costs.
- The SCBA evaluation done on 6/21/14 went very well. Chief Rudge will put together all the comments he received for the Board to review. Someone from Auburn Fire was to be on scene-but no one showed.
- Asst. Chief Hobin presented his training schedule for the next quarter. This was reviewed and adjusted by Board members. SCBA inspection/testing will be eliminated. The Board will fill in the opening later. The tour of the High School will be done at the end of September. An updated map will be requested to be placed at the main panel. Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to approve the training schedule with adjustments. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 4-0 vote.
- Asst. Chief Hobin noted that the training schedule for the end of the year should include a complete haz-mat course. He will look into what is needed to train everyone to the "operations" level.
- Asst. Chief Gasco requested a water proof portable for the boat. Asst. Chief Hamilton will handle this.
- Board members reported being contacted by some residents who are getting calls about the need to have chimneys inspected/cleaned. Board

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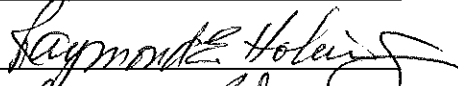

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members agreed scare tactics were being used to get people to use the service of the company.

- Michael Schold returned his training manual and blue shirt.
- Asst. Chief Gasco asked when the new graduates will be appointed as regulars. Chief Rudge said this will be done when the Board reorganizes.

Asst. Chief Hobin made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

  
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