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

Date: September 8, 2014 Time: 6:30 P.M.
Present: Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Hamilton, Asst. Chief Hobin,
Asst. Chief Gasco, Asst. Chief Piscitelli
Absent: None

Minutes from August 18 were approved. Minutes from 9/3/14 were not available. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

6:45 P.M.-FRANCIS HARRINGTON-INTERVIEW

Francis Harrington met with the Board to review his application for membership. Mr. Harrington was on the Department several years ago but did not complete recruit training. He is now living in Millbury and wants to come back. Asst Chief Piscitelli made a motion to appoint Mr. Harrington as a recruit in training pending a successful physical exam, drug screening, and CORI report. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 5-0 vote. He will be assigned to Station 5. Mr. Harrington is exempt from the physical ability test but must complete a recruit training program.

7:00 P.M.-KENNETH WHIDDEN-INTERVIEW

Kenneth Whidden met with the Board to review his application for membership. Mr. Whidden lives in Sutton but is willing to move to Millbury so he can join the fire department. Chief Rudge explained that the Board cannot accept his application because he is not a Millbury resident. Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to take Mr. Whidden's application under advisement at this time. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Hamilton and carried on a 5-0 vote.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- A representative from VFIS will meet with the Board and Town Manager on 9/10/14 to review the Length of Service Awards Program.
- Board members discussed whether to go out to bid or purchase off the State Bid List when they are ready to order SCBA's. No decision was made.
- Asst. Chief Gasco will arrange to have two of MSA's newest SCBA's here for 9/22/14 for evaluation. A Certificate of Meeting notice will be filed with the Town Clerk.
- Chief Rudge would like to do school fire drills before the end of September. Asst. Chief Piscitelli will check with the Superintendent's Office to see if any testing and/or events are planned for certain dates.
- Chief Rudge reported one side of Carleton Road has been paved. He is not sure when the other side will be done.
- Josh Piscitelli is repairing the damage on Tower 1.
- Engine 5 will go to Drenzo's tomorrow to have the generator repaired.

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- Chief Rudge said the Public Safety Committee is waiting for Mr. Spain to appoint a new member. The Committee then needs to reorganize and appoint a new chair. If this is not done by the end of September, Chief Rudge intends to call a meeting of the present members.
- Chief Rudge learned that the Bark Park will not interfere with access to the tower site. Thirteen members signed up to do brush clearing at the site. This will be scheduled for October.
- The owner of the solar farm on McGrath Road submitted a proposal for another farm to be located at 40 Auburn Road. Chief Rudge will submit his comments to the Planning Board. The Board was told a solar powered street light was installed on McGrath Road.
- Capt. Brock notified the Board that Neal Morrissey passed his driving competency test. He can now drive when returning from an incident. He needs to complete pump operations before he can drive to an incident.

Asst. Chief Hamilton:

- ~ Needs to contact Judy O'Connor at the Senior Center for the smoke detector program
- ~ Has a radio for the boat that is waterproof up to 3 meters. If preferred, a new radio can be ordered
- ~ Flashlights have come in
- ~ RIT training books have come in
- ~ Needs to set-up appointments to have Tower 1 & Rescue 1 serviced
- ~ Will see a rep. for Phillips this Wednesday and will get info about a new AED
- ~ Boots for Paul Kosiba were back ordered-the status will be checked.

Asst. Chief Hobin:

- ~ Needs to contact Lt. Desorcy to reschedule driver training for the department

Asst. Chief Gasco:

- ~ The propane tank for the ambulance garage will be put in place tomorrow. The building is all set except for the plug-in for the truck, bollards, and painted lines. He would like to purchase a reel to hold the cord for the truck's plug.
- ~ Still needs to contact the company regarding the boat
- ~ Needs to order more 4-cycle gas
- ~ Is working on an S.O.G. for Fox Bus
- ~ The hydrogen cyanide sensor is being installed in Rescue 1's gas meter
- ~ An exterminator will be at Fire HQ on 9/10 to deal with the bees

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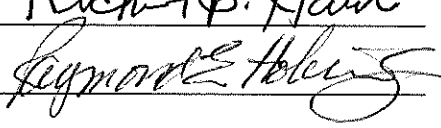
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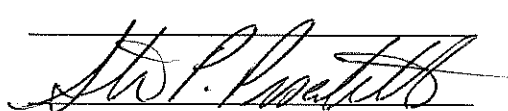
Asst. Chief Piscitelli:

- ~ Spoke to Fontaine Masonry about the scaffolding at Fire HQ. The equipment is old and needs to be moved closer to the building. Fontaine is willing to lower the price by \$750 if the Board keeps the old equipment. Board members agreed they want new. Fontaine will be notified tomorrow.
- ~ The overhead moulding on Tower 1's bay will be repaired soon.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton attended a seminar on turnout gear. He found it very informative and said that what we buy is good. He is putting together a risk assessment evaluation that is required by NFPA. He will present this to the Board when done.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton asked about ordering job shirts for company officers and inspectors. Discussion took place. Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to purchase a job shirt for each member of the fire department. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 5-0 vote. Asst. Chief Hamilton will order the shirts and draw up a policy for their use.
- Asst. Chief Hobin would like to set a date for pump testing. No decision was made.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:00p.m.



Richard S. Haul


Raymond E. Hobin


Asst. Chief Piscitelli

Regina A. Markey, Clerk