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

Date: September 14, 2015 Time: 5:00 P.M.
Present: Chief Hamilton, Asst. Chief Gasco, Asst. Chief Piscitelli
Absent: Asst. Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Silver

Minutes from 8/17/15 were approved. Executive Session Minutes from 8/17/15 were not approved. Invoices were signed. Mail was read.

5:00 P.M. SGT. LEWOS A.L.I.C.E. PROGRAM

Sgt. Lewis met with the Board to review the A.L.I.C.E. program. He started by giving three scenarios and how the police department would handle each: "Stay in place" would involve keeping everyone in the school due to a medical emergency or fight, etc., within in the school. "Lock down" would involve an outside threat or incident in the area of the school that would require it to be locked down. And, "A.L.I.C.E." which means a threat has entered the school. He explained A.L.I.C.E. as: "A"lert—call police -if using a cell phone-remember to dial direct and not 9-1-1; give as much information as possible and let everyone know what is happening. "L"ockdown—if students are in the "hot zone", he said it is best to remain in place and put up a barricade. This could buy you some time until police arrive. "I"nform—give out as much information (to staff) as possible so everyone knows what they are dealing with and can respond quickly and accordingly. "C"ounter—do what you can to disrupt the shooter-throw things, yell, run. "E"vacuate—if it is safe to do so, evacuate to one of the safe meeting places. He said the police department wanted to be pro-active in a situation and would rather see the children evacuated (when possible) than remain in place. Sgt. Lewos wants to give the teachers the ability to make a sensible choice-either evacuate or remain in place. This is why it is important to provide as much information as possible. Meeting locations have been established depending on the school involved. He was told that teachers have "GO" bags in each classroom that include a roster of their students. This would help with accountability. Though some training has been done with the schools; the plan is still a work in progress. Board members gave some ideas that Sgt. Lewos found helpful, such as: --using Rescue 1 as a command center since it has communications ability, is able to record a scene, and can provide additional lighting; --using Fire HQ as a meeting place for all media outlets; --using the fire department to block off roadways; --and establishing a command structure before an incident takes place. Sgt. Lewos had a powerpoint program he was going to present to all members later tonight. He wanted to stress that he does not want the scene overrun with people. Chief Hamilton said it should also be stressed that going into the school is not the job of the firefighters. Board members thanked him for the information. They plan to draw up a standard operating guideline that will include staging positions and the duties the firefighters can perform.

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PRE-INCIDENT PLANS

Approval of revised plans will be done when a full Board is present.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- Asst. Chief Silver left a training schedule for the Board to review. This will be placed on the Agenda of the next meeting.
- Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase a multi-purpose K12 saw for Rescue 1. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 3-0 vote.
- Asst. Chief Gasco made a motion to purchase a holder for spare bottles on Engine 1. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 3-0 vote.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Richard P. Hawk

Bryon K. Grewer

John J. Santolucito

Robert J. Sato

Regina A. Markey, Clerk