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

Date: October 1, 2012 Time: 6:30 p.m.
Present: Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Day, Asst. Chief Hamilton,
Asst. Chief Hobin, Asst. Chief Gasco
Absent: None

Minutes from September 17, 2012 were approved. Invoices were signed.
Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

REVIEW QUARTERLIES

Station 5 was the only station to submit a quarterly. The Board will review all quarterlies at the next meeting.

FIELD DAY

The Ladies Auxiliary responded that they are willing to help with the Field Day again as long as some changes are made. Asst. Chief Hamilton questioned if the recent letter from the State Ethics Commission will affect fundraising for the Field Day. Asst. Chief Hobin said this will be a lot of work for the group. Discussion took place. Asst. Chief Gasco suggested meeting with the Ladies Auxiliary to go over how solicitations will be done in the future and the changes that need to be made. They will be asked to meet with the Board on November 5, 2012.

The Ladies Auxiliary also told the Board they will look into replacing the ice machine at Station 2.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- Chief Rudge read the following fire alarm report submitted by Gordon Siebenhaar: "Pole transfers on South Main Street Pole 15 and 18 were done. Box testing still ongoing. The alarm panel cards came back from L.W. Bills. The cards were installed and tested, and are working properly. All circuits are testing good at this time."
- Chief Rudge told the Board that the front door at Station 2 was replaced and that Steven Piscitelli did a nice job.
- Chief Rudge said he spoke to the firefighter involved in the incident in Worcester with a FedEx driver. The firefighter was told that he is representing Millbury when displaying a "Millbury Fire Department" plaque and should do so in a better manner.
- Jacklyn Leavens has decided to withdraw her application for membership due to school and a new apprenticeship.
- Chief Rudge spoke with Chief Gauthier about an automatic response to the former Wyman-Gordon building in Millbury. It was agreed that Millbury will contact Grafton at the time of an incident

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and ask for what is needed. Automatic responses to both the Grafton and Millbury plants will no longer be used. Asst. Chief Day asked if the automatic response from Grafton to 65 Canal Street was still in place. Chief Rudge said yes.

- Board members discussed the new building at Milltex. Chief Rudge inspected the building and found it vacant. The sprinkler system in the old section has been shut down due to repairs that are needed. It was agreed that a fire watch detail must be in effect 24/7 until the sprinkler system is repaired and installed in the new section. Although plans for a sprinkler system were submitted in 2009, the system was never installed. A new set of plans will be needed before a permit is issued.
- Chief Rudge inspected the townhouses at 65 Canal Street with manager Colleen Cannon. Cordis Mills is in the process of getting quotes to correct the issue with the sprinkler notification system. If a sprinkler is activated in one townhouse, notice is not sent to the other townhouses.
- Chief Rudge inspected the Horace Mann Educational Associates (HMEA) building at 6 Latti Farm Road. This is a day care center for adults with disabilities. The facility is now open. It is fully sprinkled, has an addressable alarm system, and a Knox box. There is a red strobe on the front of the building and the FDC is located on the "D" side. Chief Rudge will arrange a tour for Station 5.
- Lt. Lahair reported that FF. Breault completed his driver training. Breault still needs to do pump training/testing but can drive the truck for training sessions.
- The Fire Department's Open House will be held on October 10, 2012 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Fire Headquarters.
- An officer's meeting has been scheduled for October 15, 2012 beginning at 6:00 pm. This will be held at Fire HQ's as part of the Board's regular meeting.
- Chief Rudge and Asst. Chief Gasco will meet with Wheelabrator personnel on October 12, 2012 at 10:00 am to talk about confined space rescue.
- Wheelabrator has 15 used Scott pacs they are willing to donate. The Board agreed to have Chief Rudge and Asst. Chief Gasco look at the units during the meeting on 10/12/12.
- Chief Rudge again thanked the Board and all fire department members for their participation in his mom's funeral services. Chief Rudge said he really appreciated all that was done as did his family.
- Asst. Chief Day said the paving at Station 5 should be done this week-weather permitting.

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- Lt. Krumsiek still needs to turn in his old uniform.
- The resident at 33 Sutton Road has not paid the fine for illegal burning. Asst. Chief Day will follow up on this when he returns from vacation.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton told the Board the case against Robert Giannette has been postponed to December 2012 due to a shortage of judges.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton is drawing up a fire prevention schedule for the week of October 15, 2012.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton said the DPW may not be able to paint the lines at Station 3 this year.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton took Engine 3 to Greenwood Fire to have the ladder rack system repaired. He was told the system needs two pistons. Greenwood Fire will prepare an estimate for the Board to review.
- Training on Rescue 1's new camera has not been scheduled.
- Rescue 1's new thermal imager still needs to be installed.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton told the Board all bunker coat name panels have been ordered. They need to be sewn on.
- Asst. Chief Hobin and Asst. Chief Gasco attended last week's District 7 meeting. No company officers from Millbury attended the training that was offered. Another class may be arranged for area towns.
- Uxbridge Fire is interested in the hose washer/dryer. Asst. Chief Hobin will arrange for Chief Kessler to view the equipment.
- Asst. Chief Gasco reported the ID cards are not ready.
- The generator at Fire HQ still needs to be converted to gas.
- Asst. Chief Gasco will get a quote to repair the top of Rescue 1.
- Chief Rudge gave the following truck maintenance report:
 - Engine 1: gated wye at pump panel needs to be rebuilt, needs drive tires, rear tow bracket needs to be repaired.
 - Scope 1: need a spare chain for chain saw.
 - Rescue 1: all set
 - Hose 1: right rear spotlight out.
 - Engine 2: needs anti freeze, panel light above relief control valve is out, pump panel radio missing screws, grille is in at Dorenzo-they will install.
 - Engine 4: rear tank chute is rotted and leaking.
 - Engine 3: generator out of service, siren is activated when radio mic is keyed, driver side rear strobe is out, steer axle brakes making noise when applied, on-spots not working, foam tank B panel light not working, ladder rack needs to be repaired.
 - Engine 5: no report submitted.
 - Forestry 1: siren is activated when windshield wipers are on and when

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the truck up-shifts.

- Asst. Chief Day told the Board the boiler at Station 2 was inspected last week. A relief valve was installed incorrectly-this needs to be fixed.
- Asst. Chief Day brought up the subject of having a fire truck at a funeral service for someone other than a firefighter. He felt the apparatus should represent a firefighter that died and should be used for the "brotherhood" only. If the Fire Department is attending the services for someone other than a firefighter, Day suggested using the Chief's vehicle. Asst. Chief Day also said the firefighters at the gravesite should remain in place until the family leaves. Asst. Chief Hamilton felt the firefighters should leave earlier so the family is given time alone to say their final farewell. Asst. Chief Day is in the process of rewriting the Funeral S.O.G. Asst. Chief Hamilton felt the S.O.G. should be consistent.

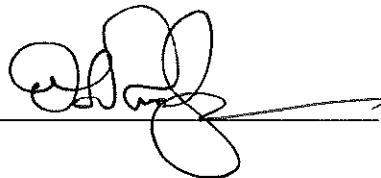
Asst. Chief Day left the meeting at this time.

- Asst. Chief Hamilton told the Board that Grafton-Upton Rail donated two foam trailers that are available to surrounding towns. The trailers have a 1000-gpm pump and each carries carry 990-gallons of (ARAFF) foam.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton informed the Board of incidents involving carbon dioxide that occurred in facilities that have a soda-dispensing system. The CO₂ canister is part of the dispensing system. The canister developed a leak and CO₂ seeped into the building causing employees and emergency personnel to collapse. Asst. Chief Hamilton is going to inspect local businesses to determine if they have this type of system. Fire Department meters will not detect carbon dioxide.
- Asst. Chief Hobin revised the training schedule for October and November.
- A meeting of the Relief Association will be held on October 29, 2012.
- Asst. Chief Hobin said he reviewed the NFPA standards for live burn training. He recommended adopting Chapter 4. This will be reviewed by Board members at a later meeting.
- Asst. Chief Hobin told the Board that Sutton Fire agreed to house District 7's power vent truck. This is available to all District 7 towns.
- Asst. Chief Hobin said hose bed tie downs are needed on Engine 3. Asst. Chief Hamilton will check on this.
- Asst. Chief Gasco told the Board that he wants to finish all items on Rescue 1 before the new Tower comes in.
- Asst. Chief Gasco needs to order a 50' length of 4" hose for Hose 1.

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- Asst. Chief Hamilton reported the leather boots are in.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton would like to schedule a new driver training class for the newer firefighters. Lt. Lahair will be contacted.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton had pictures of the rotted body on Engine 3 that he repaired.
- Replacement CPR/First Responder cards have been ordered. MECTA will be contacted to schedule refresher training for next year.
- Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Hamilton and Asst. Chief Gasco are going to inspect the new Tower in the morning. Because three members of the Board will be going, this had to be posted as a meeting with the Town Clerk.
- Asst. Chief Hamilton is waiting for one more quote for the replacement of the traffic light at Station 3. He will submit the quotes to Bob Spain for approval.
- Asst. Chief Hobin is still waiting for his bunker coat to be delivered from Firematic.
- Sutton Fire is updating their radio system. They are interested in something similar to Millbury's system. Asst. Chief Hamilton is advising on this project.
- Susan Hamilton made up the thank you notes for the Fire Field Day. Board members expressed their appreciation for her help.

Asst. Chief Hamilton made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.



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