

Town of Newbury  
Board of Fire Engineers  
Minutes of meeting - January 23, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Town of Newbury Board of Fire Engineers was called to order by Chief William Pearson at 19:10 hours at the Byfield Station with the following members present: William Pearson, Douglas Janvrin, Jr., Wallace Ziehler, Robert Dash, Nate Walker and Justin Webb.

**Motion made by Robert Dash and 2nd by Justin Webb to accept the minutes from November 18, 2013 and December 16, 2013 as read. Motion passed with Deputy Ziehler abstaining due to the fact that he was not present for either meeting due to work.**

Martha Taylor was present and gave an update on the Public Safety Complex.

Captain Doug Janvrin, Sr., ret. was present and thanked the Board for their cooperation during his time on the Board. All members wished the Captain well during his retirement.

Deputy Janvrin reminds members that the February BOFE meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 due to President's Day.

Chief Pearson states that Firefighter Walton out on medical leave following an injury at work. He is due to see the doctor on January 31, 2014.

The DCR and DEP rules for open burning were discussed.

The Bon Fire will be on January 25, 2014. Chief Pearson states that the letter has been sent to the DEP.

Increasing the limits on the VFIS insurance was discussed. A meeting will be set up with T.A. Tracy Blais, Chief Pearson and the Deputy Chiefs.

Deputy Janvrin spoke of the blast notifications available from the Town. All members agreed to allow the Deputy to forward their contact information to the Town for notification purposes.

Deputy Janvrin will schedule another fitting for gear with Bergeron Fire Equipment. Tan gear will be purchased moving forward.

Chief Pearson states that the budget will be submitted ASAP. It was agreed to request \$95,000.00 for each Station for the flat rate, and \$10,000.00 total for Engineers expense.

**Motion made by Wallace Ziehler and 2nd by Robert Dash to request a \$1.00 per hour increase in pay for Eric Beaulieu and Keith Grant as they are now permanent, full-time Firefighters and are no longer on probationary status. Motion passed unanimously.**

There will be training on Monday, January 27, 2014 at the Byfield Station. The topic will be either ice rescue or blood borne pathogens depending on the weather.

Chief Pearson requests that both aerial ladder trucks be inspected. The Chief also states that he does not want any personnel operating the waterways from the tips at any fires. The ropes or remote controls are to be used from now on.

Plans for the new structure being built at 13 Rolfe's Lane were reviewed.

**Motion made by Robert Dash and 2nd by Wallace Ziehler to adjourn at 21:16 hours. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.**

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Janvrin, Jr.  
Clerk  
Board of Fire Engineers