

**Town of Newbury  
Board of Fire Engineers Meeting  
May 18, 2015**

**(The following minutes were voted and accepted at the June 15, 2015 meeting)**

The monthly meeting of the Town of Newbury Board of Fire Engineers was called to order by Chief Nathan Walker at 19:00 hours at the Newbury Station with the following members present: Nathan Walker, Douglas Janvrin, Jr., Wallace Ziebler, Timothy Wareham, Justin Webb, Terrence Martin, Robert Dash and Douglas Packer.

**Motion made by Justin Webb and 2nd by Timothy Wareham to accept the minutes from April 21, 2015 as read. Motion passed unanimously.**

Chief Walker called for nominations of officers for the annual reorganization of the Board of Fire Engineers.

**Motion made by Terrence Martin and 2nd by Timothy Wareham to keep the current slate of officers for the ensuing year. Motion passed unanimously. The officers are:**

**Fire Chief: Nathan Walker  
Deputy Fire Chief: Wallace Ziebler  
Deputy Fire Chief: Douglas Janvrin, Jr.  
Captain: Timothy Wareham  
Captain: Robert Dash  
Captain: Justin Webb  
Captain: Terrence Martin  
Clerk: Douglas Janvrin, Jr.**

The Safe Trailer will be at NES on June 3rd and 4th.

Chief Walker states that the annual EMS assessment will be paid to Northeast EMS.

Chief Walker states that he and Deputy Police Chief Lucy attended the annual National Grid meeting and has supplied each Station with updated contact information.

Deputy Janvrin states that Ladder 1 is out of service until further notice.

Chief Walker states that it is now necessary to monitor the budget closely until the end of the fiscal year to avoid a possible shortage.

Chief Walker states that the Annual Town Meeting is tomorrow night. The Chief asked everyone for their support for him, the budget and the proposed combined public safety building.

Training - good combined drill last time. A scenario drill will be next. Captain Martin spoke of a recent Protection 1 hydrant drill. The combined drill will be held next month due to the upcoming holiday.

EVOC training to be posted.

The possibility of obtaining web-based Firehouse Software from the Town was discussed.

Chief Walker states that the new dispatch module with Newbury Communications officially launched today.

The new lease agreements are being worked on by the attorneys.

Chief Walker states that the Ambulance Enterprise Account has been created and will be presented tomorrow night at Town Meeting for approval.

Chief Walker states that there is \$37,000 appropriated for new gear in the FY16 budget.

**Motion made by Nathan Walker and 2nd by Timothy Wareham that the Chief and the Deputy Chiefs order white gear for their next sets. Motion passed unanimously.**

Deputy Janvrin and Firefighter Walton will be working on obtaining a new ambulance license for the Town.

Deputy Ziehler gave an update on the new Tanker and Engine. The Deputy states that the new Tanker should arrive in June and the Engine in October.

Deputy Janvrin states that the new key and the fire alarm system at the Town Library are all set.

Chief Walker will investigate codes for Chinese Lanterns as a group is seeking to use them at an upcoming event in Byfield.

The proposed new subdivision at the Cunningham property on Scotland Road was discussed along with residential sprinkler systems and cisterns.

Chief Walker states that any solar panels installed in Town will need three (3) feet of clearance on at least three (3) sides and an emergency shut off installed in the vicinity of the electrical meter.

Chief Walker states that there will be more indoor storage units added to Store U Self at 12 Kent Way.

The way that the masterboxes in Byfield are received and monitored was discussed.

The existing car numbers were discussed. A possible proposal to change the numbers was passed around. Many members stated that this would add confusion to the current system. The changes were put aside for now.

Chief Walker states that the FFI/II graduation will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Pentucket Regional School in West Newbury.

There was a discussion regarding Captain Wareham requesting a mutual aid response to Ipswich for a brush fire when we were 0 and 0. Also, Captain Wareham was instructed to wear his gear on all fire calls. Calls on Plum Island and cancellations were also discussed.

Thanks to Firefighter David Stracher for making resource books to be used in the apparatus.

The possibility of hiring Robert Bishop as a part-time Firefighter and part-time Emergency Management employee was discussed.

Delinquent attendance was discussed.

**Motion made by Douglas Janvrin, Jr. and 2nd by Terrence Martin to adjourn at 21:41 hours. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.**

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Janvrin, Jr.  
Clerk  
Board of Fire Engineers