Town of Newbury Board of Fire Engineers Meeting June 15, 2015

(The following minutes were voted and accepted at the July 20, 2015 meeting)

The monthly meeting of the Town of Newbury Board of Fire Engineers was called to order by Chief Nathan Walker at 19:03 hours at the Byfield Station with the following members present: Nathan Walker, Douglas Janvrin, Jr., Wallace Ziehler, Timothy Wareham, Terrence Martin, Robert Dash and Douglas Packer.

Motion made by Wallace Ziehler and 2nd by Timothy Wareham to accept the minutes from May 18, 2015 as read. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineer John Pearson Jr. was present and spoke of implementing a driver training program for both Stations. Engineer Pearson presented the Board with a proposed training manual to review, and states that he has applied for instructor certification.

Motion made by Douglas Janvrin, Jr. and 2nd by Wallace Ziehler to use the ambulance rates currently utilized by Protection 2 as the new rates for the new Town ambulance service. Motion passed unanimously. Deputy Janvrin then gave an update on the progress of the ambulance service.

Duty groups and pay rates for EMT's for the ambulance service were discussed.

A letter from Hendrick Tons regarding solar panels was read. Motion made by Douglas Janvrin, Jr. and 2nd by Terrence Martin to make policy for solar panels. After a discussion, Mr. Janvrin retracted his motion. Motion made by Nathan Walker and 2nd by Douglas Janvrin, Jr. to table this topic until next month in order to gather additional information. Motion passed unanimously.

Chief Walker states that the remaining budget season will be tight, but we should make it within budget.

Captain Martin spoke of recent issues with Newbury Dispatch.

There will be pump training on Monday night. The training house on Fairview Ave. is in the works. Deputy Janvrin states that Protection 1 has voted to utilize their share of the donations received in memory of Bill Page to send personnel through the pump training course offered by FDSS. Protection 2 will vote on the same.

Chief Walker states that SOG's for the new boat are in the works. Training will follow.

Douglas Packer stated that there is still an issue with the outdoor wood furnace on Fruit Street.

Chief Walker states that all of the red light permits that were received have been submitted to the Registry.

Motion made by Wallace Ziehler and 2nd by Douglas Packer to have the clothing allowance for the full-time personnel taken out of the Engineers Expense. Motion passed with Nathan Walker and Douglas Janvrin, Jr. abstaining.

Deputy Janvrin updated the Board on the progress of the lease agreements.

Captain Martin spoke about helmet shields.

Deputy Ziehler states that the final inspection for the new Tanker will be next week. The target in service date is July 17. The Deputy States that they are not cutting metal as of yet for the new Engine.

Fire Department software was discussed. We will be meeting with a representative from IMC.

Details were discussed. Any event with alcohol with over 1000 people, as well as sporting events, will require and ambulance detail with two (2) EMT's. The detail rate will be \$50.00 per hour per person. The apparatus will be \$50.00 per hour per piece. Motion made by Nathan Walker and 2nd by Terrence Martin to accept this fee structure, as well as the new forms which were presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The names for the recent EVOC training has been submitted.

Chief Walker wrote a letter to the recent graduates of the FFI/II program.

Deputy Janvrin states that the SAFE trailer program was a success at the Elementary School. The Deputy also states that Ladder 1 is back in service.

Captain Martin states that he does not want apparatus to go out of town for parades on the 4th of July weekend. The possibility of extending station coverage for that weekend was also discussed.

Chief Walker states that the information books made by Firefighter David Stracher are on the Protection 2 apparatus.

Over 65 senior support staff and dispatchers over 65 were discussed.

Motion made by Wallace Ziehler and 2nd by Timothy Wareham to appoint Jonathan Kelley, Keith Grant and Robert Bishop as Fire Lieutenants for Protection 2. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Douglas Janvrin, Jr. and 2nd by Robert Dash to appoint Brandon Ivone and Eric Beaulieu as Fire Lieutenants for Protection 1. Motion passed unanimously.

The list of names for Firefighter appointments was read. After some discussion, motion made by Wallace Ziehler and 2nd by Terrence Martin to appoint all personnel on the list as Firefighters with the exception of William Levesque. Motion passed unanimously.

Deputy Janvrin spoke of the possibility of the full-time personnel joining a union, and also spoke about several misunderstandings with the process.

Motion made by Douglas Janvrin, Jr. and 2nd by Timothy Wareham to adjourn at 22:04 hours. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Janvrin, Jr. Clerk Board of Fire Engineers