

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers was held Aug. 28, 2006; the meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. In attendance: Chief Al Galinelli, James Sousa, Robert Miner, Norman Blank, Brian Remy, Jon Ulmschneider, Christopher Stanley, & Carolyn O'Brien. Also in attendance: Fred Cavallaro.

Minutes from previous meeting read. J. Ulmschneider made motion to accept as submitted, seconded by Norman Blank. Motion unanimously passed.

Correspondence:

„« Sept. & Oct. training calendars distributed.

„« Glucometer to be placed on Special Hazards provided.

„« Fire alarm panel keys for St. Jean's Church given for Engines 1 & 2.

„« Chief informed all where access boxes have been added. Updated listing will be provided next month.

Old Business:

„« Hose Testing iV Engines 2 & 3 still to be completed.

„« Updated Membership Lists iV Eng. 5 received. Need to check if any others due.

„« Fire Prevention Week iV Unsure if extrication drill will be done.

„« Pig Roast iV Scheduled for Sat., Oct. 7th at 1:00 p.m., Pete Sepe

Pavilion.

„« Photo Ids ¡V Sessions scheduled for Sept. 12th & 13th from 9:00 ¡V noon and at 6:30 p.m. in the Chief¡s office.

New Business:

„« Station Reports ¡V Sta. 6 well now done; need to take a water sample. Need new generator.

Sta. 5 ¡V radio room completed. Need a 10000 KW generator; Chief looking into.

Ladder & Training Room mold re-mediation work in process.

Eng. 1 room has a leak problem; Chief notified John Massed.

„« Hepatitis Shots ¡V Let Chief know if anyone needs these, so they can be added to the list.

„« Rescue Disciplinary Action ¡V Chief informed everyone about action taken against D. Costa due to his response to an auto accident; he has been suspended for five days from the department. He will, however, be permitted to continue attending FF II classes.

„« Career Day has been scheduled at Kickemuit Middle School for Oct. 27th, 8:00 ¡V 11:00 a.m. Chief would like rescue, Eng. 1, & Special Hazards to attend.

„« Proper Dress ¡V Chief distributed memos concerning dress code for rescue & first responders. They are not to transport to hospitals in shorts; jump suits from the rescues, or bunker pants, are to be worn. Drivers of all department apparatus are required to wear shoes

with solid soles and proper support; sandals, flip-flops, & slippers are unacceptable.

„« Pop Warner Football ¡V request received to have rescue on-site for all home games. Chief said if rescue personnel want to stand-by during games, they can; however, the duty crew cannot.

„« Leave of Absence ¡V Requests from Ashley Jenkins & Steve Sherman, both based on school attendance. Requests approved.

„« Rosemary¡'s School of Dance is seeking donations; they have a group who will be participating in the Macy¡'s Day Parade. Chief distributed the request to all companies.

„« Memo from Chief Gordon read. He informed dispatch personnel to acknowledge messages from fire department calls by repeating the information received and providing the time.

„« Project Playground ¡V Chief received information the fire pole for the playground is \$1,200; committee is seeking donation for this.

„« Chief is waiting to hear from Amity Electric and Gill¡'s to finish the work at rescue headquarters.

„« Chief wants to put trumpet sirens on HQs, Sta. 3 & 6.

Training:

„« Our EMT licenses expire Dec. 2007. Chief wants to have someone from Bristol come here to conduct re-certification classes. Chief will collect \$100 in advance from all who take the classes; active members will be reimbursed afterwards. N. Blank made a motion, seconded by R. Miner, to initiate this procedure; motion unanimously approved. Chief will contact Steve Asselin concerning a basic EMT

class.

„« FF II classes going well. Class will be going to Union Fire District on Sept. 10th for live burn training. Chief needs to supply straw bales & pallets to burn. Chief will take Eng. 1. Participants need to take their own gear.

„« Unknown how HazMat class at Sta. 5 went.

„« Chief would like to being a FF I class sometime in January.

„« \$3,800 grant funds received to pay for FF I & II classes.

„« Chief will discuss extrication drill for Fire Prevention Week with N. Blank & R. Miner, to determine if it is feasible.

„« Required WFD classes (e.g. accountability) scheduled for Oct. 17th & 19th; anyone who has already taken, or wants to take, FF I & II can attend these.

„« Chief gave demonstration of Freddie the Fire Truck.

„« Chief asked if Board wants to continue walk-throughs. N. Blank said training division thinking about having them only every two months.

N. Blank informed Chief he will be away Wed., Aug. 30th until Mon., Sept. 4th; he will need duty chief coverage for Sun., Sept. 3rd. Chief said he will cover.

There being no further business to discuss, J. Ulmschneider made motion, seconded by R. Miner, to adjourn. Motion unanimously passed; meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.