

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers was held Nov. 27, 2006; meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance: Chief Al Galinelli, Robert Miner, Norman Blank, Jon Ulmschneider, Christopher Stanley, & Carolyn O'Brien. Also in attendance: Anthony Primiano, Scott Little, Norman Guertin, & Fred Cavallaro.

Minutes from previous meeting read. R. Miner made motion, seconded by N. Blank, to accept as submitted. Motion unanimously passed.

Correspondence:

„« Individual company correspondence distributed.

„« Chief questioned if anyone knew who had made a purchase from Life Raft & survival. Copy of bill given to N. Blank to check with Ed Cabral.

„« Chiefs Association Christmas party is Dec. 14th; cost \$25 p/p. Let Chief know if anyone interested in attending.

Old Business:

„« Still need Eng. 3 hose test cards.

New Business:

„« Access Boxes/Fire Alarm Panels listing distributed, including a copy for each truck. Location of access box on first line; fire alarm

panel location on second line.

„« Key to 86-88 Kickemuit Rd. provided for Engines 1 & 5.

„« Fuel Slips ¶V none received from Rescue since October 8th. Chief asked they check to make sure they still have copies.

„« Pay Cards ¶V Chief informed everyone if rescue truck does not go out, the driver is not to submit a pay card for the call.

„« Station Reports ¶V

. Chief reminded everyone to make sure overhead doors are closed when trucks leave stations.

. Sta. 5 generator not charging; need new one.

. Sta. 2, 3, & 6 boilers cleaned.

. B. Remy to get iron filter for Sta. 6.

. Trailer behind Sta. 6 needs to be moved.

. Chief got well measurements for Eng. 3 to possible install generator.

. Rescue needs plumber to install drain for washer/dryer.

„« Leave of Absence ¶V Melissa Sousa submitted academic LOA request covering Dec. 1, 2006 to Nov. 1, 2007; she will be taking paramedic class. Chief stated the only problem with this is the fire department just paid for her cardiac program. He also stated it could be accepted with the condition he speak with Melissa to inform her she will need to give this department 2 years service when she returns, or she will owe the department the total cost of her cardiac program. R. Miner made motion to accept with 2 year condition, seconded by J. Ulmschneider; motion unanimously passed.

„« It appears due to workload, John Lamberton will not be able to

return to rescue. Chief wants to send John a letter thanking him for all he did for the department. R. Miner made motion, seconded by N. Blank to accept; motion unanimously passed.

„« Todd Grant will be returning to rescue in January 2007.

„« F. Cavallaro stated there is a rescue officers meeting Monday, Jan. 4th at 5:00 p.m. He requested Chief and R. Miner attend.

„« Chief wants all rescue members reminded the station is to be kept clean and orderly.

„« Chief stated EMT re-certification classes will begin in Feb.; Ed Jernigan will conduct classes in Bristol on Mon. & Wed. evenings. N. Blank requested copy of class schedule, so it can be placed on Training Division calendar. Chief stated each EMT will be required to pay \$100 up front for the classes. If they have been actively responding to calls over the past 3 years, either doing duty shifts or responding to second calls, their money will be refunded after the classes are complete. There will be a second re-certification class conducted sometime during the fall of 2007.

„« An extrication class has been scheduled for Sat., Dec. 2nd, 9:00 a.m. for Ed Jernigan's EMT class. This is to be at fire headquarters.

„« Jeff Lynch is being sworn in as new Portsmouth fire chief on Thurs., Dec. 7th. Chief would like attendance by any Board members, company captains, and officers who can. Dress uniforms required. Anyone attending should be at Central Fire Headquarters no later than 1800 hours.

Training:

„« Chief wants to start a Firefighter I class in January, then roll it into Firefighter II. Chief needs a list of possible participants as soon as possible.

„« Steve Asselin has five people in his EMT Basic class.

Other:

„« Louis Stravato and Phaedra Nevitt can both return to rescue; they will each be on 60 days probation.

„« 2007/2008 budget will be coming up. Chief wants everyone to bring suggestions for capital items to the December Board meeting.

„« Ladder I has problem with rear brakes and throttle. Butch Guertin will check into fixing.

„« Chief discussed PM of all trucks. He will look into getting another company to do the PM's if he does not hear from the current company soon.

„« Chief said he needs two "No Parking" signs for rescue station. He will contact John Massed for these.

„« CDL classes on hold until F. Cavallaro returns to work.

„« Chief needs to know if everyone who needs them has signed up for Hep shots.

There being no further business to discuss, J. Ulmschneider made motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by N. Blank, and unanimously passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.