

## **BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS**

**The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers was held May 28, 2013; meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.,. In attendance: Chief Al Galinelli, Robert Miner, James Sousa, Brian Remy, Scott Little, Christopher Stanley, and Steve Asselin. Also, Vincent Calenda and Jeff Dallaire.**

**Minutes from previous meeting reviewed. R. Miner made motion, with second by B. Remy, at accept as submitted. Motion unanimously passed.**

### **Correspondence:**

**„« Individual company correspondence distributed.**

**„« TIPS certifications distributed.**

### **Old Business:**

**„« Financial Town Meeting only lasted short time. There will be an all-day referendum for the sale of Liberty Street School and old VFW hall. Chief wants membership informed so they can vote on the day of the referendum. Sale of them would place the buildings on the tax roles.**

**„« Updated Membership Lists ¡V Please turn in if not already done.**

**„« Hose Testing ¡V Companies have hose cards to be completed.**

**„« Vehicle Inspections ¡V Most apparatus already completed.**

**„« Firemen¡'s Memorial Sunday ¡V June 9th. Mass at St. Alexander¡'s**

**Church, 9:00 a.m. Chief suggested parking in St. Jean's parking lot due to the number of vehicles. Breakfast at Sta. 5, 7:30 a.m. We have a good list of deceased members, but please let Chief know of anyone from your company.**

**„« Scholarship applications ¶V due by May 30th.**

### **New Business:**

**„« Updated Emergency Access Box listing distributed.**

**„« Fire Alarm Systems Institute Class distributed. Not discussed.**

**„« Chief explained locations of boxes at Housing for the Elderly.**

**Working on getting all keys included. Chief distributed policy on assistant chief's accessing the buildings. Dispatch is to be notified the building was accessed, the keys returned, and the box secured. This is in the event keys are not returned, especially since the police now have access to schools and Housing for the Elderly only. Chief will provide copy of policy to police chief.**

**„« Hugh Cole School Cookout ¶V Chief has not heard from school as to date or if it will take place.**

**„« Letter of Resignation from Jared Powers, due to conflicting schedule is resigning from Eng. 3 and rescue. B. Miner made motion, with second by S. Little, to accept as submitted. Motion unanimous. All his equipment was returned.**

**„« Directive from town manager re: use of town owned vehicles was reviewed by Chief. Personal use of town owned vehicles is prohibited. Chief will provide copies to be posted in the stations.**

**„« Town Common was vandalized. National Grid has authorized use**

of one of their poles to have cameras installed. Chief would like company members to be asked if each company would be willing to donate at least \$100 to help off-set the cost of repairs and camera installations.

„« Contract has been signed for computerized rescue run reports with AmbuPro. Chief will need to get a modem and new computer for his vehicle for this. Refusals will also need to be done via computer. Bristol and Barrington also going with AmbuPro.

„« Chief said there have been some controversial issues at headquarters. There are some individuals who are authorized to carry weapons who come into the stations. When they are off-duty, the weapons are concealed. There are some security personnel coming into the station with weapons in open view when they are not on duty. Chief said if you are in uniform (policy, DEM, etc.) the weapons are in view. Any off-duty personnel who come into the stations must have the weapons concealed. Chief wants all members advised they are to only have authorized weapons concealed at the stations.

#### **Station Reports:**

„« Eng. 1 ¡V Front door needs to be replaced. Training Room door needs replacement. Skid Pack was approved for utility truck. Chief wants lights changed at headquarters.

„« Sta. 2 ¡V Roof still leaking. Overhead door needs new stripping. Chief will be having cameras installed in stairwells.

„« Sta. 3 ¡V Ok. Chief will have cameras installed in stairwells. Chief

**said he will pay to have a/c installed if company pays for unit.**

**„« Sta. 5 ¡V Ok . Chief will have cameras installed in stairwells.**

**„« Sta. 6 ¡V Ok.**

**„« Rescue ¡V Need to have fan put in attic since it would be too costly to remove and relocate the box. If cost is \$1,000 or less, Chief will have box moved. Chief looking into have central air installed. Chief would still like to have town look into using the old Social Security building. S. Little suggested speaking to Pete Withers for input.**

### **Training:**

**„« Firefighter I will be starting in September. Chief distributed information on the class. Before taking FFI, NIMS training is required, with a minimum of 100, 200, and 700. Technically, all fire department members are to have these. Have all certifications sent to Chief; he will forward all to fire academy. This will be open to everyone in state as it is a state run class.**

**„« June 1st & 2nd Chief and some department members will be going to Little Compton for a rural firefighting and water supply course. On Sunday they will have Eng. 6. Chief wants a few Eng. 2 members to go to Sta. 6 on Sunday for coverage.**

**„« Chief still working on getting bus and participation from RI Hospital for drill.**

**„« Accountability Officers Training at Hugh Cole on June 13th.**

**„« Marine Training on June 1st at town dock.**

**There being no business to discuss R. Miner made motion to adjourn.**

**B. Remy seconded; motion unanimously passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.**