

## Board of Fire Engineers

A meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers was held on Tuesday, April 28 2015, at 7:00 PM.

Members present were Chief Al Galinelli, Deputy Chief Norman Blank, Assistant Chief Bob Miner, Assistant Chief Jimmy Sousa, Captain Butch Guertin, Captain Scott Little, Captain Stephen Asselin, Chris Stanley, Ashley Miner.

B. Miner made motion, with second by N. Blank, to seal minutes from Executive Session held on March 30, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from previous meeting were read. B. Miner made motion, with second by N. Blank, to accept as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

### Leave of Absence:

Two members of rescue requested a leave of absence.

One member needs two months to complete paramedic hospital time. N. Blank made motion, with second by B. Miner to approve. Motion unanimously carried.

One member is a Brown University student and will be returning home for the summer. B. Miner made motion, with second by N. Blank to approve. Motion unanimously carried.

### Old Business:

Engine 2, Special Hazards, Tower and Brush Truck will all be getting new radios. Fire Chief distributed list of channels.

### New Business:

The 2015-2016 Budget passed. A new rescue truck has been approved. The application for the grant is still pending.

The Fire Academy will not allow trainees to have equipment over 10 years old.

Fire Chief will not review new rescue applications unless they include background checks.

Fire Chief confirmed list for Steward Stipends. One name was added to the list.

Two applications have been received for the scholarship.

Fire Chief distributed new registrations.

The Quahog Festival is July 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Fire Chief needs a detail for those days.

#### Station Reports:

Plumbing at Rescue needs to be fixed. Tree roots are hitting the pipe lines. Fire Chief is going to speak with John Massed.

Fire Chief is going to install a steel box on the side door of Engine 2 to hold a key.

Boilers are being fixed. Relief valves need to be upright.

#### Training:

Firefighter I classes will be complete on Tuesday. Begin 2 weeks of Hazmat training.

Chief needs a list of everyone who needs their EMT recertification class.

Trainings in May include drafting drill in Touisset and two extrication drills on May 13<sup>th</sup> and May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Marine drills are on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Navigant Credit Union has pledged \$4,950 for Fire Prevention Week.

The Fireman's Memorial Parade is on June 14, 2015. Breakfast is at Engine 3 at 7:30 AM. Mass is at St. Alexander's at 9:00 AM. The

contract for the brass band has been signed. The guest speaker is Joe DePasquale.

N. Blank inquired about radio dispatch. You cannot hear the transmissions and transmissions also need to be repeated. Discussed headsets for each dispatcher.

Discussion regarding rescues being dispatched for all front end car accidents regardless of injuries/air bag deployment.

N. Blank needs list of updated Officers for Pat.

Fire Chief said to let him know about any cross training of drivers.

N. Blank made motion, with second by B. Miner, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.