

Scituate Fire & Rescue Engineering Board

P.O. Box 123, North Scituate, RI 02857

Minutes – February 24, 2014

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm at North Scituate Fire Department

The following members were present:

Station 20: Chief Adam Hebert and Deputy Chief Ryan Adams

Station 40: Chief Donald Campbell and Captain DiNoble

Station 60: Chief Peter Cugini and Deputy Chief Brown

Secretary/Treasurer Kerri Dexter

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes from January 24, 2014 accepted and approved.

3. Treasurer's Report

Accepted and placed on file

4. Old Business

Training:

- Fire Captains from stations 20, 40, and 60 to set up trainings for summer**
- Water shuttle training for stations in warmer weather to possibly having ISO rating decrease.**

Communications:

- **I Am Responding Program**

- **Police Chief Randall hesitant to I Am Responding program installation for dispatchers. Chief Hebert following up with Dan George to talk about set up of program, expectations, and gained improvements of program to present to Police Chief Randall.**

SOPS: None to Report

Other business

- **Smoke Trailer**

- **Chief Campbell reported bid was out for trailer and has not heard back yet.**

- **Long Term Planning**

- **Chief Hebert and Town Council President Collins had a conversation of having the line item Capital Improvements added to Town Budget again.**

- **Chief Hebert putting a template together for departments to put together town wide equipment and apparatus list with years of replacement to present to town.**

- **April 2014 will be the hose testing for all department through Fail Safe**

5. New Business

- **Richard Finnigan raised concerns if police were dispatched to Fire and EMS calls before Fire Departments. Also, Finnigan has put in a public request at the police department for dispatch tapes and logs in regards to the Silk Lane fire.**

- Chief Campbell inquired that a new contract can be signed for a new SAFER grant once the current grant is complete. Station 60 would like to participate in SAFER grant with Station 20, 40, and Hopkins Hill.
- Chief Cugini suggested a workshop be put together to meet with town council to improve communications with the town since there is a delay and miscommunications through the Fire Suppression and EMS committee. Chief Hebert suggested to have data, including NFPA and ISO standards, of equipment, apparatus, and dispatch needs prior to setting up a workshop. Chief Campbell suggested sending a letter to the Town Council to set up a meeting in April 2014 addressing these needs.
- Richard Finnigan spoke about the Fire Suppression and EMS committee meeting held on February 21, 2013 where the minute's state Fire Chiefs will be involved with dispatch needs, however, Fire Chiefs report they have not been asked to meet with committee or Police Chief Randall to address dispatch concerns.

6. Reports

A. Station 20:

Ladder 22 has three weeks of repairs

B. Station 40:

Engine 42 will be out for repairs in a few weeks.

C. Station 60:

Tank for Brush 23 is being built.

The next Engineering Board meeting will be held on Monday March

24, 2014 at 7:00pm at the Hope Jackson Fire Department.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13pm.