# Board of Fire Engineers Board, Committee, Office, Etc.

Date:

September 9, 2019

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Present:

Chief Hamilton, Deputy Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Gasco,

Asst. Chief Piscitelli, Asst. Chief Silver

Absent: None

Minutes were not available. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

#### 6:45 P.M. INTERVIEW CIERRA CARLIN O'DAY

Ms. Carlin-O'Day did not appear for her interview. The Board was not sure if she got the letter.

#### 7:00 P.M. INTERVIEW TREVOR OLSON

Mr. Olson had an interview with the Board in November 2018 and was appointed as a recruit. Since then, he completed the physical ability test and Call/Volunteer Recruit Program through the Holden Fire Department where he is a fulltime firefighter. Mr. Olson was told he did not have to appear for tonight's meeting and would be assigned to Fire HQ as a regular firefighter. He still needs to take his oath-of-office and complete a CORI check.

#### **EXPLORER POST CHANGES**

Asst. Silver will try to get insurance information from the Boy Scouts of America.

## PRE-INCIDENT PLANS

There were no pre incident plans to review.

## **OLD & NEW BUSINESS**

- Chief Hamilton reported recruits Alex Newlands and Madison Gasco were accepted into the next Call/Volunteer Recruit Training Program being held in Leicester. Classes start November 2 with a mandatory meeting on 10/16/19.
- Chief Hamilton had a flyer for "Rescue University" being held in Grafton on October 25 & 26. The cost is \$85 per person and priority will be given to members of District 7. Chief Hamilton wants to offer the class to Fire HQ first. Asst. Chief Silver said he was interested in attending.
- R & M Electric upgraded the lighting at Station 3 and Station 5. Millbury's Green Community Committee may be able to fund upgrading the lights at Station 2.
- Firematic installed thermal imagers in 13 SCBA's. Funding is being provided through a State grant.
- A gear dryer was delivered to Station 5. It still needs to be plumbed and hooked up. Dryers for Station 2 and Station 3 have been ordered.

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- Sutton will conduct a tanker shuttle drill on 9/14/19 beginning at 11 a.m.
   Engine 4 and Tower 1 will participate.
- As part of the Rural Water Supply class, a drill will be held on 9/16/19 at 6:00 p.m. The School Department approved using the Shaw School.
- Pump testing will be rescheduled for 9/25/19.
- Auburn submitted a regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant application for a training tower. The request was approved and each town participating in the grant must contribute \$4700 to help with the required "match". Deputy Chief Rudge made a motion to pay the \$4700 to Auburn for the training tower grant. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Silver and carried on a 5-0 vote. A location for the training tower has not been determined.
- A company officers meeting will be scheduled for November 4, 2019.
- The Firefighters Memorial Service will be held on Sunday Sept. 29 at 10:00 a.m. at the First Congregational Church. Reminders will be sent.
- Chief Hamilton will present certificates to the two young people who spotted the shed fire on Waters Street and immediately reported it.
- New hydrants have been installed on South Main Street at Phillips Drive and at the end of Leslie Lane. The hydrant at Woodland Street and Herricks Lane was replaced.
- Chief Hamilton will take the chiefs' coats to Trippi's for service hash marks.
- Deputy Chief Rudge thanked the Board for attending the services for his father. He was impressed with the turnout.
- Deputy Chief Rudge asked about the numerous alarms at 96 Main Street.
   He was told the ventilation system was not working and burned food would set off the smoke detector in the basement. It is being corrected.
- Deputy Chief Rudge asked about tires on the Tower. He recommended rotating the tires.
- Deputy Chief Rudge received a copy of the printed plans for the new fire station. The Building Committee will meet on Thursday, 9/12.
- Asst. Chief Gasco asked for an update on the battery-operated chainsaw.
   Chief Hamilton said the Ladies Auxiliary will hold a fundraiser in October.
   Proceeds will be used to purchase the battery-operated equipment.
- Asst. Chief Silver said he will have information on the gear rack for Station 3 at the next meeting. He said the guys are doing great and the station looks clean.
- Chief Hamilton said he was given plans for work being done at Exit 11 on the Mass. Pike. Asst. Chief Piscitelli mentioned that the emergency cut out should be left in place.

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Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn at 19:55.

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