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

Date:

March 18, 2019

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Present:

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

Asst. Chief Piscitelli, Asst. Chief Silver

Absent: None

Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

INTERVIEW-6:45 P.M. MADISON ADAMS

Madison Adams met with the Board to review her application for membership. It was noted that Ms. Adams does not have a driver's license. She was told that having a license was a criteria for joining the Fire Department. The Board explained the training and time commitment needed to become a firefighter. At this time, the Board agreed to hold the application until Ms. Adams gets a license.

CONFINED SPACE PROJECT-JH LYNCH

Chief Hamilton explained that JH Lynch would be working in their above ground tanks hacking away asphalt that hardened. This is considered a confined space project. The work will start this week and it should take about three weeks to complete.

AMENDMENT OF S.O.P. #16 WAKES & FUNERALS

The Board would like to change the Standard Operating Procedure for Wakes & Funerals. They talked about the Honor Guard. Deputy Chief Rudge suggested changing it from a Procedure to a Guideline. Discussion took place. The matter will be reviewed at the next meeting.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW FIREFIGHTERS

Mitchell Robbins and Myles Hebert graduated from the Call/Volunteer recruit training class on 2/27/19. Asst. Chief Silver made a motion to appoint Mitchell Robbins and Myles Hebert as regular firefighters effective 2/27/19. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 5-0 vote. Both men are assigned to Station 3.

PRE-INCIDENT PLANS

There were no pre incident plans to review.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- The gear dryer for Fire HQ will be delivered tomorrow (3/19/19).
- Firematic will be in to test the SCBA's on March 19 & March 20, 2019.
- Two new stores are going in at the mall. ULTA will move in to the former Pier One space and 110 Grill will move in to the former Mattress Outlet space on the lower level.

MINUTES CONTINUED

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- A second elevator is being installed at 95 Elm Street.
- The Board read a letter from Steven Couture stating he will retire on 2/25/19. Deputy Chief Rudge made a motion to accept the letter. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and passed on a 5-0 vote.
- Chief Hamilton is continuing to refurbish and frame the chiefs' pictures.
- VFIS provided a quote to increase the years of service to 47. This will be paid for over a 5-year period and will go into effect on 7/1/19. The Town Manager agreed to the increase.
- The FY21 budget will go before the Finance Committee on 3/19/19. All Board members are invited to attend.
- A Board meeting is scheduled for 3/20/19 to meet with Context Architectural to go over space needs for the new fire station.
- The Post Traumatic Stress Disorder program will be held in Sutton on 3/21/19.
- OSHA will meet with Chief Hamilton to review the tech-rescue incident that happened at Wheelabrator.
- Deputy Chief Rudge asked about a solution to check the smoke detectors on the cathedral ceilings at Brierly Pond Village. Chief Hamilton is still investigating.
- Deputy Chief Rudge asked if X's were placed on the buildings on West Main Street and Rt. 146. The buildings have not been marked.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli said the back room heater at Station 5 needs to be checked. Chief Hamilton will take care of this.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli said Mark Strom is doing well as captain and is working with Lt. Krumsiek.
- The crew at Station 5 used the gear washer after the Grafton Road fire.
- Chief Hamilton said a final inspection was done today at Nature's Remedy.
 Everything passed.
- The Board discussed drivers at Station 3. Asst. Chief Silver will speak with the crew. If caught driving erratically, you could be subject to suspension or termination.

An "all call" was received at this time and Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn at 20:23.

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