



AUGUST COMPANY MEETING

August 21, 2012

The August meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by President Jeff Tooker. A pledge of the flag, a moment of silence for our departed members, and roll call were completed. Matt Sullivan makes a motion to accept the July meeting minutes. Mike Memole seconds the motion and the motion carries. Chuck Alger makes a motion to accept the special meeting minutes, Nick Madore seconds the motion and the motion carries.

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Financial Secretary Nancy Baker reports there were 48 checks written for the month of July. Ten (10) of the checks were written for over five hundred dollars. There was no discussion. Nick Madore makes a motion to accept the report, Bob Falls Sr. seconds the motion and the report is accepted by the membership.

MONTHLY VISA BILL REPORT

President Jeff Tooker reports the previous balance of \$3,190.32 was paid in full and received by Chase bank on July 16th. The new balance is \$3,722.61. There were nine purchases for over two hundred dollars. All of these purchases were for both fire conventions in June and July. These purchases were made at Yankee Trails, Hannaford, Manor House, Garrison Restaurant, and Price Chopper just to name a few. There was no discussion. Kathy Miller makes a motion to accept the report. Tom Whittemore makes a motion to accept the report and the report is accepted.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Treasurer Paul Benson reports the total income for the month of July was \$7,570.79. The total expenses for the month of July were \$30,498.44. Our total assets are \$235,063.91. Ed McCabe makes a motion to accept the report. Mike Memole seconds the motion and the report is accepted.

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS

Car 1- Chief Di'Martino reports Engine 9 is at Atlantic Detroit Diesel for some repairs. Engine 9 should be back within 5 days. There are some apparent problems with some sort of alarm and what's believed to be a governor issue.

Car 2- Assistant Chief Hitchcock reports TCBY Yogurt will be present in town near Target. Bame Insurance Agency will be re-locating at 98 Troy Road near the round-about. There is a separate unit there and it's a two-family residence that was once a garage. Michael's Auto Plaza has taken over the old Dunkin Donuts on Columbia Turnpike across from Warren Tire.

Car 3- Assistant Chief Prestipino reports the training cycle will continue next month.

Car 4- Assistant Chief Lehmann reports that Lieutenant Matt Sullivan is still missing his pager. The pager was last left on the "doghouse" of Engine 8. Assistant Chief B. Lehmann friendly reminds all members to wear their safety vests while at traffic accidents. It's for our own safety. There is on-going construction on Interstate 90. Please be aware of the construction and use proper judgment when responding to calls on the highway. It may be in the best interest of the Officer or the firefighter in the Officer's seat to close the window when using the mobile radio while responding to Code 3 calls. This will mute the siren out. There have been a couple of calls where the Chiefs cannot hear the truck officer due to the loud siren with the window down. Pub Ed schedule will be released soon. As of this meeting we have answered 205 calls. We are on track to answer just less than 350 calls for the year.

Captains- Greg Forgea reports Engine 8 has been having problems getting into pump gear. Make sure it's locked in pump gear. It's going to be a problem. Mike Benson Jr. reports on the crew status of Rescue 11. If 7 guys show up for a traffic accident to plan on riding Rescue 11 please keep in mind the truck is only a 6 man cab. The member left behind should not leave the station and pout. The member or lone members left behind should act professionally and

not pout. If there is a traffic accident call in the Main Station district Engine 7 can respond if there are enough crew members. The Chief Officer or senior officer on scene may make the decision to hold Engine 7 in quarters. This is nothing new and has been in effect for many years.

Lieutenants- Fire Police LT Tom Whittemore reports flow tests will be done next week on the air packs.

Foreman- Nick Madore reminds members to keep the trucks clean.

Board of Directors Chairman- Tim Boel reports that he has been receiving the bids for seal coating. Creig Cullum states he can talk to his neighbor who is the Asphalt Doctor.

Ladies Auxiliary- Jeanie Kennedy reports the 1st pizza night is September 8th.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

Buildings/Building Use Report- President Tooker reports the total income for the month of July is \$4,364.70. The total expenses were \$1,593.50. The total profit is \$2,771.20. The total income year to date is \$21,410.05. The total year to date income for the Banquet Hall Bar is \$2,868.50. Chuck Hellmuth makes a motion to accept the report, Tim Boel seconds the motion and the report is accepted.

EGFD Golf Outing- Tim Boel reports he and Co-chair Mike Benson Sr. met on Sunday. Half full of golfers right now. If golfers have not paid they are not in. No last minute paying. Room for 15 more teams. Our members are needed to be either at the golf course or at the Pavilion. We cater to the guests, not to ourselves. The golfers come first. Leaving the North Station at 7:00am on September 23rd. Ed Wallace reports that he needs his crew members at the Pavilion between 12pm and 1pm. Mike Benson Sr reports that he gave the first deposit to the Financial Secretary. Most he has ever gotten up to this point. The committee has trimmed back on the gifts. The price per golfer was raised by five dollars. Last year money was lost on the actual golfers. Eye Openers will be served promptly at 7:00am reports the co-chairman, Mike Benson Sr. This is the 18th year of this Golf Outing. Wal-Mart doesn't just hand out money anymore Tim Boel reports, we finally got money, \$1,000.00 check when paperwork was filed back in March. Mike reports that we should thank our sponsors that have been with us for many years. Timmy and Mike have been doing this for about 16 years so far.

Life Member's Day- September 9th reports Pete Lehmann. He sent an email out. It's 2pm at the Frank Becker Pavilion.

Softball Team- Mike Benson Jr. reports his team went 7-3 this year. This is the most wins the team has had in several years. Mike thanked his team for playing hard and well this year.

Barbara Lehmann Scholarship Committee- Pete Lehmann reports the winners of the scholarship award are: TJ Gullo, Brendan Morgan, Evan Wallace, Katie Schmidt, Mackenzie Edberg, and Katie Boel.

PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Kevin Bisson residing at 16 Boncroft Drive submitted an application for active membership. Daniel Rainer residing at 4 Kriss Crossing submitted an application for active membership.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Ed McCabe makes a motion to elect Chris McHugh as a new member. Elwin Michel seconds the motion and the motion is carried. The motion is carried by the membership. Chris Dick makes a motion to elect T.J. Gullo as a new member. Tom Kennedy seconds the motion and the motion is carried by the membership. Creig Cullum makes a motion to elect Jacob Yonkers as a new member. RP Smith seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

SIX MONTH PROBATIONARY REVIEW

Greg Forgea makes a motion to remove the 6 month probationary status from Don Rugenstein. Matt Sullivan seconds the motion and the motion carries. Both Officers report that Don regularly attends drill and makes many calls. Tom Whittemore makes a motion to have the six month probationary status removed from Dave Reed. Jim Trimmer seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

George Lovely III- Mike Memole reports that he degraded the members of the fire department. Nick Madore also states he has heard George talk negatively about our members. Tim Boel makes a motion that we have George moved to Social membership. He has 2 years of credited service. Chuck Hellmuth seconds the motion. The motion carries.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

There apparently has been some damaged equipment at the North Station. A riding lawn mower tire was damaged along with some other tools. President Tooker reminds the members that he does not want to pursue installing security cameras, but he also reminds the members to be aware that equipment has been damaged and charges will be pursued with the local police department if necessary. Mike Prestipino inquires as to why a fob report was not reviewed. Key fobs were reviewed reports the President. Tire tracks are on the lawn behind the North Station. There apparently is some sort of unknown activity occurring on our property at the North Station. The patrol Sergeant on the mid-night shift has been advised and his patrols will check our property. George Forgea thanked the unknown person that decided to "shit" on the toilet seat at the North Station. President Tooker informed the members that there are "No Dumping" signs posted on each side of the Main Station dumpster. This is a posted sign for the general public and not for our own members.

Sean Kennedy is resigning from the fire company. Mike Memole makes a motion to accept Sean's resignation. George Forgea seconds. All members were in favor, but with regrets.

Tim Boel makes a motion to send Warren Carner \$50 for the fund that was established in his name. He has cancer and has been well known in the town of Schodack, his son is the Chief of the Castleton Fire Department. Nick Madore seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

Bob Lehmann reports that he is going to put together an order for EGFD fire apparel. Sign-up sheets will be posted at the three fire stations.

Linda Cook queries about the Pizza Night bar line. Jeff states to leave it as status quo for now.

Nick Madore reports that he is selling \$10 raffle tickets for the Castleton Boat Club.

Food next month will be provided by the Chiefs and Commissioners. Steak Bake at 6pm prior to the September meeting.

50/50 winner of \$90.00 is Bill Sigsby. Elwin Michel makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pete Lehmann seconds the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm with 56 members in attendance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Benson Jr.

Recording Secretary