

Board of Fire Engineer's Minutes

July 20, 2021

08:30 hrs.

Gilford Fire-Rescue

Meeting called to order by Chair Akerley at 08:55hr.

Present: Chairman Akerley, Engineer Lyman, Chief Carrier, and AA Boulanger

Excused: Deputy Ober and Engineer Spear

Minutes of Previous Meetings – Postponed until August 2021

Report of the Fire Chief

Activities

- Chief Carrier Conducted Joint Loss Management Committee Safety Inspections at Town properties.
 - Only Minor issues – easily fixed
- Attended the NEAFC Annual Meeting in Portsmouth.
- Participated in the NHAFC Monthly on-line meeting.
- Participated in a Zoom meeting with Gunstock regarding Soulfest.
 - No real issues are projected
 - They are projecting 4000 as of this meeting
 - There will be no Pyro displays
 - Prior year event noted an issue with the support in the main floor system.
 - The main floor lodge has had temporary lally columns installed, to ensure full support
- Worked on a number of personnel evaluations.
- Met with Buildings and Ground Matt Whitney and engineers to discuss the Town's PFOA and PFAS contamination of the town's well.
 - There have been two notable instances that caused the well to have issues
 - The group will be creating a report to be presented to DES-mitigation
 - There is a chance that any well within a 500 foot radius of the well, can and will be tested

Budget

2021 Budget

- Current budget report provided to all Engineers
- Call Firefighter line is slightly over where it should be.
 - This line is due to the recent hiring of new call members
 - They all appear to be very active and follow up with training
- Physicals are over
 - Fire Rescue has changed to the Concord Occupational Health to ensure all Firefighters have a thorough physical and screening as outlined in "NFPA 1582"
- Protective Clothing is over. We have a \$5311.56 credit with the vendor.
- Building Maintenance and Heating Fuels remain slightly over.

Personnel

- FF Emond and FF Drew have passed their probation.
- FF Plummer, FF Acres, and FF Simoneau are still in the process.

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Activity Log: Report provided to Engineers

- January 2021 – June 2021:
 - 931 incidents in the first half of the year.
 - June 2021 was our busiest June ever.
- July to date:
 - 120 incidents through the morning of 7/19.
 - On pace for 195 incidents in July.
 - 2 Mutual Aid fires in Laconia. Handful of boat calls. Increase in MVAs.

Operations

- Field-tested new nozzles.
 - Will purchase 2 for E3 and move E3's to Boat 1.
- New Car 1 should be ready for delivery next week. Waiting until early August to retrieve it.

Training

- Call Department training and orientation continue.
- Shift training has been put on hold because of summertime activity and all shifts are training probationary firefighters.
- Chief Carrier will be at Fire Rescue International in Charlotte next week from Tuesday – Saturday.

Report of the Deputy Chief

Fire Prevention

- Reports provided to all Engineers

Inspections

- Brief discussion regarding the Fire Prevention / Inspection report provided to the Engineers

Vehicle Maintenance

- The shifts have been chasing an Air Leak issue
- E1 and E3 were having the issues
- Upon further investigation, it was a compressor issue
- A2 had a coolant leak
- E3 has the tires replaced
- B1 is OOS for three days at Melvin Village Marina having some warranty repairs

EMS

- FF Mooney has passed his AEMT Course.
- LT DeCarli is in the process of the AEMT Course

Call Department

- Two new Call Firefighters have started
 - Training / Orientation has begun

Adjournment

- *Motion to adjourn at 09:25 am by Engineer Lyman, seconded by Engineer Akerley. Unanimously approved*

- **Next Meeting Date:** August 17, 2021 @ 0830 hrs. Gilford Fire-Rescue
Respectfully Submitted AA Charlene Boulanger