

## Meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers

May 14, 2013

Meeting convened at 7:47 p.m.

Members present: Michael S. Trovato, Chief  
Russell Zawaduk  
James Roderick Jr.  
Gerard Menangas  
Ronald White

### Chief's Report

**Plan from Winslow Trading Company – 44-48 Winslow St.** reviewed by the board.

The board questioned:

1. Ownership of the land behind the VFW.
2. Plan shows egress thru parking spaces – 3 Handicapped and 12 Regular spaces.
3. A shed and a chain link fence are also in the way.
4. Egress to and from the development would be an emergency egress that would have to be open at all times.

Admiral's Landing, 158 Bradford Street discussed.

Zoning board would not approve building changes because they felt it would create a fire hazard. The Chief met with the owner and spoke to Town Counsel re his opinion on the changes to the property and will write a letter to hopefully resolve the matter.

Tritech paging Software discussed with Lt Golden on the Police Dept.

At present, Fire/Rescue members must have a Verizon cell phone to receive messages.

**Minutes of April 10, 2013** reviewed.

Vehicle Exhaust Removal System will go back out for bids.

Remainder of FY2013 Budget is low. Chief will speak to Finance Director Dan Hoort re transferring funds from the A budget into the B budget. At present spending is on a freeze.

**Motion:** Zawaduk motioned to approve the minutes of April 10, 2013; Roderick seconded the motion, All in favor.

**Phone Service change over** from Nextel to Verizon will be researched.

Width of sidewalks discussed. The board expressed their concern over losing the width of the road on Commercial St. due to wider sidewalks especially when vehicles are parked on Commercial St. Roderick informed the board that sidewalk measurements are now taken from the inside of the curb rather than the outside of the curbing adding inches to the width of the sidewalk by 5 to 6 inches.

**Damage to Main Station Overhead Door** (1<sup>st</sup> door) discussed.

Rescue vehicle 197 was backed into the station before the overhead door was all the way up. Overhead Door and Rescue vehicle 197 was damaged. New door is needed and the top of 197 repaired.

**Lack of participation by officers and members of House #3** discussed.

Poor participation and attendance by officers and members discussed. The Chief will speak to Captain of #1, Paul Silva, re taking on the extra responsibility of joining House #3 with #1 to rejuvenate the members of House #3.

### **Cabral Marina Facility**

David Bowden from the State Fire Marshal's office will be contacted re an inspection at the Cape Cod Oil Cabral Marina facility on Ryder Street Ext.

**Blues Quick Stop, 42 Conwell Street** discussed.

DEP Penalty Assessment Notice issued to the facility. Question arose on the status of the underground tanks. Previous renter may have info on the tanks and will be contacted.

### **House Reports**

#### **House # 1**

Election of Officers: Captain – Paul Silva  
Lieutenant – David White

Vote of the house: 7 members in favor, unanimous vote of the house.

**Motion:** Zawaduk motioned to accept the vote of the house; Roderick seconded the motion, All in favor

Application for membership received from Jesse Medeiros. House voted in favor of accepting Medeiros.

**Motion:** Zawaduk motioned to accept Medeiros as an Auxiliary member of #1, pending his physical exam; White seconded the motion, All in favor.

Equipment needed: (will be purchased after July 1, 2013)

3 shots of 1 3/4 inch Hose-Orange

2 1/2 Double Male, NST – RED

LED Light for E190

Two (2) Chains for Chain saw (to be purchased @ Bay Berry Gardens by Luis)

36 inch Halligan Tool

Bunker Pants for Noah Santos

### **House #2**

Election of Officers: Captain E.J. Martinez  
Lieutenant George Felton

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to accept the vote of the house to retain the same slate of officers; Zawaduk seconded the motion, All in favor.

Steward Paul Roderick discussed. Roderick is presently unlicensed to drive a vehicle. Captain Martinez has been taking the Ladder truck out for road tests.

### **House #4**

Election of Officers: Captain Jeff Perry  
Lieutenant & Steward David Gonsalves

Vote of the house – 7 members in favor, unanimous vote of the house.

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to accept the vote of the house; White seconded the motion, All in favor.

### **Rescue Squad**

Election of Officers: Captain - Denise Russell  
Lieutenant - Othaine Rance  
Steward – Alan Felton  
Treasurer – Brandy Tarala  
Secretary – Derek Menangas

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to accept the vote of the house for Captain and Lieutenant of the Rescue Squad; White seconded the motion, All in favor.

Chief Trovato will speak to Tom Roda regarding stepping down from the Steward's position. Also, The Chief would like Alan Felton to send a letter to the board requesting the position as Rescue Steward.

**Applicants for Rescue Standby positions.**

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to approve all the applicants who worked last year; seconded by Ron White, All in favor.

**New Applicants (4) for Rescue Standby positions reviewed.**

- 1. Annette Carns, EMT**
- 2. Lynn Giannelli, EMT**
- 3. Michael R. Herrmann, EMT**
- 4. Kyle Simkins, EMT**

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to accept the new applicants listed above; White seconded the motion, All in favor

**Portuguese Festival and Blessing of the Fleet Weekend**

Festival will take place from June 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. Parade will take place on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. It will begin promptly at 3 p.m. from the Harbor Hotel. Trucks should arrive no later than 2:30 p.m.

**Adjournment**

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to adjourn the meeting; Zawaduk seconded the motion, All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.