

Meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers

January 15, 2009

Meeting convened at 8:00 p.m.

Members present: Chief Michael S. Trovato
 Deputy Warren Alexander
 Russell Zawaduk
 James Roderick Jr.
 Gerard Menangas

Others present: Adam Wolf

Chief's Report

Chief Trovato optimistic that the Board of Selectmen will approve the Fire Dept budget as submitted. The BoFE will then meet with the Finance Committee.

Air Horn repair discussed. Ron White and Harold from L.W. Bills Co will work together on repairing the air horn.

Captain Paul Silva held an equipment inventory drill with members of Engine 190.

FY2009 Firefighting Equipment Grant approved. PFD awarded \$3,897.00 in state funds.

Purchase of Safety vests for department members discussed. The cost of the vests will be researched.

Fire Truck Floater Insurance Policy #2001088 change received from BY&D Insurance Agency.

Ladder 192

Paul Roderick assigned as Steward of Ladder 192.

Motion: Roderick motioned to assign Paul Roderick as Steward of Ladder 192; Menangas seconded the motion, All in favor.

A letter will be sent to Eli Martinez advising him that as of January 1, 2009 he has been placed on administrative leave without pay.

Engine Company 1

Aubrey Gordon requesting a 3-month Leave of Absence from January 1 to April 1, 2009.

Motion: **Zawaduk** motioned to grant Aubrey Gordon a leave of absence from 1/1/to 4/1/2009; Roderick seconded the motion, All in favor.

Malcolm Kerr Hunter requesting a leave of absence from December 18, 2008 to March 1, 2009.

Motion: Zawaduk motioned to grant Malcolm Kerr Hunter a leave of absence from 12/18/2008 to 3/1/2009; Roderick seconded the motion, All in favor.

Vaughn Cabral will be requested to appear before the Board of Fire Engineers on Thursday, February 12, 2009.

Engine Company 4

Christian D. Waugh requesting a leave of absence for a period of 6 months due to a medical condition. Letter is dated January 7, 2009. Waugh will contact Captain Perry in June 2009.

Motion: Menangas motioned to grant Waugh a leave of absence from the department; Zawaduk seconded the motion, All in favor.

Rescue Squad

Ken Oxtoby requesting his status changed from dismissed to retired.

Motion: Roderick motioned to change Ken Oxtoby from Dismissed to Retired, Zawaduk seconded the motion, Alexander opposed until his hire date is researched. Remaining board members in favor.

Doug Allen submitted a letter of resignation from the Rescue Squad, effective 1/2/2009.

Motion: Roderick motioned to accept Doug Allen's resignation from the Rescue Squad; Menangas seconded the motion, All in favor.

Engine Company 5

New Captains Helmet requested by Captain Roger Martin.

Motion: Zawaduk motioned to approve the request; Roderick seconded the motion, All in favor.

Installation of the Fragmentation Cage discussed.

Adam Wolf asked if funds were available to complete the installation of the cage. He explained to the board where the cage would be placed in the apparatus bay. He was advised to complete the installation.

Benefits for Retired members

Wolf asked what benefits retired members were offered to retired members.

Chief Trovato stated that all retired members were considered honorary members for life.

Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

