

## Meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers

August 12, 2015

Meeting convened at 7:55 p.m.

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

Others present: Police Chief James Golden  
Rescue Captain Denise Russell

### Chief's Report

Chief Golden advised the board that Police Dispatcher Lisa Metcalfe was moving out of town and would be leaving her position at the police department. He informed the board that the department would be shorthanded until someone can be trained for the dispatcher position.

### Capital Improvement Requests discussed.

1. Purchase of two (2) Thermal images
2. Purchase of two (2) Power Stretchers for ambulances 196 & 197
3. Purchase and install a 400 MHZ radio paging system to replace Low Band system
4. Replace 39 obsolete 800 MHZ portable radios and 11 mobile radios (Phase One)
5. Air Pack replacements and Air Masks replacements
6. Phase Two of portable and mobile radios
7. Replace Engine 195
8. Replace Ambulance 196
9. Replace three (3) Air Pac 15's with the newest model available at the time of replacement.

### Captain #4 Jeff Perry discussed.

Chief Trovato suggested a letter be sent to Perry since he is now living in Eastham and he no longer works for the Town of Provincetown. His status will be changed to a Regular member as opposed to an Officer. The board will reevaluate his residency situation at a later date to determine if he can remain a member of the Provincetown Fire Department.

**Motion:** Roderick made a motion to that effect; Menangas seconded the motion. Three (3) in favor, One (1) abstained.

## **House #1 & #3**

**Election of Officers** – House members voted in the same slate of Officers at May 6, 2015 meeting.

New Boots needed for Gerard Menangas. He would like to be fitted for the boots.

**New Mobile Radio** will be purchased and installed in Ambulance 198.

## **Rescue**

**Election of Officers** – Vote at the meeting was unanimous to keep the same slate of officers:

Denise Russell – Captain

Othaine Rance – Lieutenant

Alan Felton – Stewart

Rosemary Smith was elected Treasurer by association members.

Christy Brown was elected as association Secretary.

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to approve the vote of rescue members for the same slate of officers; Zawaduk seconded the motion, All in favor.

Application for membership as an Auxiliary member received from Heather Baker.

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to accept Heather Baker as an Auxiliary member of the rescue squad, pending her physical exam; Menangas seconded the motion, All in favor.

**EMT Refresher training** discussed. Cape & Islands is offering the course. Members felt it would be difficult for them to do since the course runs from Monday to Friday in Hyannis. Captain Russell asked if the course could be held at the fire station in town. Chief Trovato approved the training.

Captain Russell submitted a letter requesting the department to pay for her Paramedic training tuition (\$7,900) plus an additional \$500 for technology fees. The National Medical Education and Training center consists of the lecture portion being done 2 nights a week on a computer, with the practical element two Saturdays a month at their West Bridgewater campus. The program lasts approx. 10 months followed by ride time and clinical time at Cape Cod Hospital.

**Motion:** Roderick motioned to approve the payment of the Paramedic course & books for Denise Russell; Zawaduk seconded the motion, All in favor.

## **Adjournment**

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.