

Meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers

February 16,2000

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Meeting called to order at 8: 15 PM

Members present: Michael S. Trovato, Chief
Warren G. Alexander, Deputy Chief
Gerard Menangas
James Roderick Jr.
Adam Wolf

Chiefs Report

Cairns Iris Thermal Imaging Helmet discussed.

Thermal Imaging Helmet sent to Cairns Iris on 11/10/99 for an upgrade not yet completed. Chief was advised it would be another 6 weeks before the upgrade would be completed. Helmets were sent to a vendor to be upgraded but when they were returned Cairns Iris was not happy with the circuit boards, they were rejected and sent back to the vendor.

Fire at 75 Commercial Street discussed.

Occupant left a candle burning on a ledge in the bathroom and left the house. The candle caught a calendar above it on fire, burned the shelf and melted a light fixture with a fan in it that was about 3 feet away. Hardwired smoke alarms in the apartment did not work. Barry Barnes is the owner.

Retirement Party for Martin Menangas discussed.

Retirement Party for Martin Menangas will be held on Thursday, March 2, 2000 at the Main Station. Board of Engineers invited.

Rescue

Lieutenant's report submitted to the Board. (Copy attached)

Rescue Training Officer position discussed.

Rescue Training Officer Joel Macara resigned as of 12/31/99. At the 1/12/00 rescue meeting there was a consensus to appoint a Rescue Training Committee. Joel Macara, Marilyn Monks and Ken Oxtoby will serve on the committee and split the annual salary of \$315.00. Notaro will monitor the training committee and will submit a report at the end of the year.

Motion: Notaro motioned to approve the three member training committee, effective 1/1/00; Alexander seconded the motion; All in favor.

Infection Control Plan discussed.

Motion: Wolf motioned to accept the Infection Control Plan submitted by Lt. Oxtoby; Alexander seconded the motion; All in favor.

Infection Control Designated Officer Oxtoby advised the Board that he would monitor immunizations needed by department members. The cost will be included in fire department budget.

Patient Restraint Policy presented to the Board for approval

Motion: Roderick motioned to accept the Patient Restraint Policy submitted by Lt. Oxtoby; seconded by Joe Notaro; All in favor.

Two policies that were not of file when the State Inspection took place was the Parental Rights Policy and Policy for Elder Child Abuse. The policies will be given to us on disk and will be presented to the board by Joe Notaro at a future meeting.

Strobe Control Unit on rescue vehicle 197 appears to be on its last legs and should be replaced as soon as possible and because of this problem rescue unit 197 was taken off the road by the state inspector. The Chief advised Oxtoby to notify him immediately when a situation like this arises.

Tone Test Message for all department members to present their driver's license to Headquarters to be copied and placed on file.

House Reports

Ladder Company #2

Application for membership received from Jamie White.

Motion: Alexander motioned to accept Jamie White's application for membership on Ladder Company #2; Wolf seconded the motion; All in favor.

Request for goggles for members of #2. Goggles will be researched through Cairns.

Two Pike Poles needed.

Engine Company #3

Request for four Pass Devices.

5 - 100 ft. lengths of 4 inch Hose needed.

2 Air Paks needed.

Retirement Party for Marty Menangas will be held on March 2 at 7:00 p.m.

CPR Certification for department members discussed. Notaro advised the board that he had compiled a list of all department members who have not completed their CPR certification. A class will be scheduled for members needing certification and they will be required to attend.

Maushope Director, Patrick Manning seeking fire safety recommendations. Alexander stated that he had sent Manning a letter advising him of the department's recommendations.

Fire Road behind Maushope discussed. Chief Trovato has suggested installing the road for the ladder truck. Drill will be scheduled to see if the road is sufficient for the ladder truck

Engine Company #4

Six-foot Fiberglass Pike pole needed.

Larry Brownell may be retiring under the recommendation of his doctor.

Application received from Brian Alexander for membership.

Motion: Wolf motioned to accept the vote of the house; Roderick seconded the motion; Trovato, Wolf, Menangas, and Roderick in favor. Alexander abstained. Notaro left the room. Motion passed.

Adjournment

Motion by Roderick to adjourn the meeting; Wolf seconded the motion; All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 PM