

Meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers

April 10, 2001

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Meeting called to order at 7:45 p.m.

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

Others present: Rescue Captain Thomas Roda

Chief's Report

Telemetry Alarm wire was accidentally ripped out of the ground when the septic system was being replaced at the Police Station. Wire must be repaired in order for the Air Horn on Town Hall roof to sound. Police Chief Anthony will be contacted.

Bill for building repairs at Station #5 still not received from John Rice.

Building at Air Force Base may be available to Lower Cape Departments for fire/rescue drills. Chief Trovato spoke to Mark at Gerry Studds's office re the use of the building. A memo will be faxed to Studds.

Request by Craig Martin to take Engine #3 to the Brewster in Bloom Parade on Sunday, April 29, 2001. Approved.

Leak on Main Station roof possibly caused by the flashing. Building & Grounds Division will be contacted re the Main Station roof repair, painting at Station #5 and repairs at the Johnson Street Station.

Richard Prowell has resigned from his position as Selectman.

Rescue Squad

Captain Roda stated that many squad members were not acting out but were reacting to things that they perceived as confrontational. He added that there were personality conflicts between many people and it was affecting the general feeling of the squad. A few incidents were relayed to the board.

Chief Trovato discussed several incidents that occurred during the past year involving several squad members.

Alexander advised Roda and Francis that as Rescue Officers they should be handling the problems with squad members. He added that the reason the conflicts had gone on for so long was because the board had left the Rescue Engineer in the position for too long, he had no control as to what was going on and was not in communication with the board.

Wolf informed the board of the poor attitude displayed by a few rescue members, at the last meeting, regarding the scheduling of the Advanced Driver Course to be held in the fall.

Advanced Driver Course will be held in October or November 2001. Cost \$1800.00.

Jeffrey Francis appointed to the position of Rescue Lieutenant. His radio call number will be 196B. Kenneth Oxtoby's radio call number will be 494.

Rescue Summer Standby positions have been advertised. Applications may be submitted until April 26, 2001. Appointments will run from May 1 to December 31, 2001.

Safety Retrofit Notice for rescue vehicle 196 received from Life Line Emergency Vehicles. Retrofit kit will be obtained and installed at BC's.

Race Point Townhouse Condo's have installed reflective unit signs on all 34 units.

Updated Specs for new Engine 190 should be received within a few days. New specs discussed by the board.

First Responder course discussed. The Chief will speak to Clem Silva re instructing the class.

Jaws of Life broke at recent fire drill. Equipment not under Warranty. Firematic dropped of a loner tool. Broken tool will be sent to Hurst to be x-rayed. Hurst claims that the tool was not defective and it was operator error. Cost to repair: \$ 769.00. Roderick will contact Firematic to retrieve the broken parts.

Adjournment

Motion; Alexander motioned to adjourn the meeting; Menangas seconded the motion; All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

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