

# Meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers

December 15, 2004

Meeting convened at 7:08 p.m.

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

## Chief's Report

**Air Horn** discussed.

Estimate received from L.W. Bills Co. to remove present whistle control equipment at Town Hall and move it to the location at Main Station for \$1,618.00.

**Motion:** Menangas motioned to accept the estimate from L.W. Bills Co. to move the whistle control equipment from Town Hall to the Main Fire Station; Wolf seconded the motion; All in favor.

Proposal for removing present Diaphone horns and installing Cunningham horns that would be more acceptable with our weather conditions also submitted by L.W. Bills Co. Estimate for complete installation, materials and labor, \$6,508.00.

**Motion:** Alexander motioned to approve the proposal submitted by L.W. Bills Co.; Menangas seconded the motion; All in favor. Funding thru a Grant, Article, etc for this project will be researched by the board.

## Rescue

Monks informed the board that the Call Payroll bonus is paid quarterly not monthly. Minutes of November 17, 2004 will note correction.

Laurie Harding's status on the department discussed. Minutes of January 8, 2003 show Harding voted in as a member pending her physical exam.

Question arose on the number of non-firefighter positions on the Rescue Squad.

Squad minutes will be researched re Harding's status.

No physical exam is on file for Harding.

Motion: Alexander motioned to research the Rescue minutes stating the vote of the squad re Harding's membership. Should the minutes show Harding was voted in as a member of the Rescue Squad and passed the physical exam required for membership, she should be paid accordingly.

**New Car Construction, Airbags, Hybrids, etc. Class** will be held in Truro on December 21, 2004 at 7 p.m. Class will be dispatched on the evening Tone Test Message 3 days prior to the class.

**Pre Hospital Trauma Life Support class** discussed. Cost is \$120 per student. A minimum of 15 students and maximum of 25 students can attend the class. Truro is also interested in attending the class. Class may be scheduled in April.

**Motion:** Wolf motioned to pay for members who sign up for the class with the understanding that if they do not show up for the class they will be responsible for payment of their seat; Roderick seconded the motion; All in favor.

**New Safe Haven Law** discussed. The new bill allows parents to legally abandon an infant at a safe haven within seven days of the child's birth. Certain locations such as hospitals, fire stations and police stations are designated as safe havens. Monks suggested a doorbell and/or a camera could be installed at the front door of the Main Fire Station. Wolf stated that the station was unmanned. He suggested a sign be placed at the front door. Sign should say, "This is an unmanned station. In an emergency Police Station is across the street."

**Motion:** Monks motioned to post a sign advising the public that this is an unmanned station with office hours; Roderick seconded the motion; All in favor.

A set schedule for Board and House meetings, and the submission of House & Lieutenant reports to the Board for review at their monthly meeting will be discussed at the next board meeting advised Alexander.

Chief Trovato entered the meeting at this time.

**Old Car One** discussed. Chief stripped down vehicle so it can be placed out for bids. Chief will finalize letter to Town Manager.

**Rescue Vehicle 196** discussed. Chief spoke to Lucien of Bert's Auto Body re repairs needed to vehicle. Air conditioner pan is still leaking. Lucien advised the Chief he would come down before the spring and redo the figures in order to get the vehicle repaired.

#### **House # 1**

**Engine 190** discussed. The Chief spoke to Chuck from EVM regarding the bills for repairs completed on Engine 190. Chuck will get back to the Chief. Engine 190 is still getting foam in the tank.

**Application received from Luis Ribas** for membership in Engine Company # 1.

**Motion:** Wolf motioned to accept Ribas's as a member of #1 pending his physical exam; Alexander seconded the motion; All in favor.

#### **House # 2**

**Ladder 192** discussed. Extension cord needed for headset in order to get up on the pedestal with the headset on. Info also needed on the Remote control for the gun.

Letter of thanks should be sent to Larry Flores and others for the Christmas Santa Party held at the Veteran's school for the kids.

#### **House # 4**

**Application received from John F. Byrne** for membership in House #4.

**Motion:** Menangas motioned to accept John Byrne as a member pending his physical exam; Roderick seconded the motion; All in favor.

**CPR/AED & First Responder Training** discussed.

List of members in need of CPR/AED or First Responder Training to be submitted and reviewed at next board meeting.

#### **Adjournment**

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

