

TAMWORTH FIRE DEPARTMENT

Board of Firewards Meeting

October 1, 2009

Firewards present: D.A.Bowles, J. Hartley, H. Remick, D. Littlefield

Firefighters present: Chief Colcord, Asst. Chief Bowles, Capt. D.K. Bowles, FF J. Tavares, Rescue Luci Bellen, Rescue Capt. Chris Robinson, FF K. Eldridge.

Public Present: Nick Chase, Phillip Rich, Morgan Marshal, Rev. Kent Schneider.

Meeting Opened at 19:38

Minutes:

Minutes of the September 3, 2009 meeting were accepted as amended by J. Hartley, 2nd by H. Remick. All in favor.

New Member Applications:

Rev. Kent Schneider interviewed. Requesting to be department Chaplain. Has prior training in this field. J. Hartley made a motion to accept Kent's offer to be the department's chaplain, 2nd by H. Remick. All in favor.

Phillip Rich interviewed. Has a Class A license. FFI/II, EMT-B, CPR Instructor. Voted on as probationary member conditional on background check.

Morgan Marshal interviewed. No fire experience. Voted on as probationary member conditional on background check.

Nick Chase interviewed. Was on Conway FD for 7 months. Enrolled in FFI, unable to complete. Request to speak former Chief. Vote to be taken pending interview with Chief Solomon.

Old Business:

Chief Colcord advised the Bliss hydrant project was complete, but still unable to draft from it at this point, will try again tomorrow.

Nothing new on the Kelly hydrant.

Chief Colcord advised 6F2 is all set, it had some minor wiring trouble.

Chief Colcord will try to provide an activity report for the Board for the next meeting.

H. Remick replaced the ceiling tiles in the Rescue Office.

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New Business:

D. Littlefield discussed the need for new member procedures and submitted a document that would be issued to new members to orient them to their position as a new member. Board approved of the New Member Orientation handout.

D. Littlefield also discussed the need to have an equipment officer and to catalog all gear issued. The Board felt that Capt. D. Teryek would be most suitable for this role.

There was discussion around the drug and alcohol testing. Some members were picked for an early morning test.

D. Littlefield discussed the possibilities of using a different doctor for NFPA physical exams. He feels the new doctor will be a better resource and money better spent. Discussion ensued. D. Littlefield will gather more information and compare current standards with new.

Chief Colcord mentioned he spent the day digging out the old septic tank and will finish prepping it for the new tank on Saturday. Discussion ensued about installation.

Chief Colcord is finishing up truck inspections.

D. Littlefield spoke about training. It was mentioned that we might do some interior training on an acquired building in W. Ossipee, instead of Forestry training.

Spoke about RIT training that was attended by Asst. Chief J. Bowles, Capt. D. Teryek, Capt. D. Littlefield.

FF. J. Tavares asked if the snow plowing is going out to bid. The Board felt it did not need to go out to bid due to low bid. J. Hartley made a motion to accept his bid as it was last year, 2nd by H. Remick.

Asst. Chief J. Bowles inquired about a bill from Staples, Chief Colcord advised it was a mix up in the Town Office.

Asst. Chief J. Bowles discussed the possibilities of the department helping the Rescue Squad purchase hydraulic tools. The Board felt that would be a good idea pending the costs. Rescue Squad members present also felt that would be a good idea.

D. Littlefield mentioned that a sales representative was coming from Res-Q-tec to demo tools on October 19th @ 1800.

Adjournment:

Motion for adjournment at 21:00 made by J. Hartley. Seconded by H. Remick. All in favor.

Submitted by DL