

TAMWORTH FIRE DEPARTMENT

Board of Firewards Meeting

December 2, 2010

Firewards present: David A. Bowles, Milton Norcross, Harry Remick, Dana Littlefield.

Firefighters present: Asst. Chief Jim Bowles, Capt. Diane K. Bowles, Capt. Dan Teryek, FF Eric St. Jean, FF Jeff Tavares, FF Phil Rich, FF Matt Baumann, Prob. FF Michaela Tetreault.

Public Present: Daniel Sinapus Jr.

Meeting Opened at 19:39

Minutes: Minutes of the November 4, 2010 meeting, motion to accept by John Hartley, 2nd by Milton Norcross. All in favor.

Old Business:

Asst. Chief J. Bowles discussed the budget meeting he had with the Selectmen. He mentioned there was a change in the Cost of Living Adjustment, noting that there will be an additional 2.5% increase on the adjustment due to no adjustment from a couple years ago, as well as a 2.0% adjustment on the upcoming year. The overall budget stands as proposed, with a bottom line of \$171,188 (\$16,276 being for the repeater which will come from grant money). There was discussion regarding the Capital Reserve Funds and the Selectmen, with recommendation from the Capital Improvements Committee, are considering closing out the Capital Reserve account. Discussion ensued.

D. Littlefield mentioned that the Hazardous Mitigation Planning Committee is in the progress of reviewing the plan.

H. Remick has ordered an entry door and two casings for Central Station.

D. Littlefield updated information on purchasing RIT tools; he had nothing new at this time and thought he would look into what we currently may have in the station. Asst. Chief J. Bowles mentioned he was able to find a price for a set of irons (Ax/Halligan combo) at \$378.00. Board agreed to buy the set of irons (Ax/Halligan combo).

D. Littlefield showed the Board the quote from Lakes Region Fire to sandblast, prime and paint 6Hose1, with the price being \$6,795.00. John Hartley made a motion to expend the money for the repairs to 6Hose1, 2nd Harry Remick. All in favor.

D. Littlefield also provided the Board with a quote for the intercom for 6Hose1, being \$1,693.20. The Board decided to hold off at this time and research more options.

New Member: The Board interviewed applicant Daniel Sinapus Jr. for new membership. Daniel Sinapus was on Effingham Fire Dept for six years and has Wildland Fire certification. Daniel Sinapus Jr. was voted on as a probationary member pending the approval of medical clearance and background check.

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New Business:

D.A. Bowles handed out a Beneficiaries Form from the US Dept. of Justice Public Safety Officers Benefits Program to everyone present. He discussed that each member needs fill out the form and return to the chief. These forms need to on file in order for a member's beneficiary to receive benefits in the event a member suffers a Line of Duty Death.

J. Hartley discussed the sign on Chocorua Station and asked what we have for ideas. Capt. D.K. Bowles spoke with Bill Arnold, the Alt Ed teacher, from the KA Brett School and he suggested having the students build a new sign. The Board agreed to have the students make the sign. Capt. D.K. Bowles will talk to Bill Arnold.

D. Littlefield discussed training ideas and future trainings. He requested that if any member has ideas for training to let him know. Ideas were discussed. Next weeks training will be Attack Line Advancing.

Asst. Chief J. Bowles gave an update on inspections;

Old Village Store – is being renovated to be an Arts & Craft shop with an apartment above the store.

Tamworth Inn – There are some possible buyers and he as been in discussion with Bergeron.

PSNH Maple Rd Station – is installing a new jet fuel supply pipe for there turbine motor.

Asst, Chief J. Bowles discussed the FFI schedule and participating members.

Asst. Chief J. Bowles mentioned Robert Brown withdrew his application from membership.

Capt. D. Teryek mentioned the mobile radio in Car 1 is not working.

Capt. D. Teryek mentioned people need to clean the trucks out; bottles, dirt, etc when returning the truck into service.

Capt. D. Teryek mentioned the heat has been turned on in the S. Tamworth Station.

D.A. Bowles mentioned the On-Spot chains need to be checked on all the apparatus.

Rescue Capt. J. Tavares discussed that the four towns voted to contract with North Conway Ambulance as the private ambulance provider.

M. Norcross discussed about having Highway Dept removing downed trees, instead of having the Fire Dept toned. Discussion ensued.

Non-Public: None

Adjournment: Motion for adjournment at 21:17 made by John Hartley. Seconded by Milton Norcross.

All in favor.Submitted Respectfully by Dana Littlefield 12/02/10