Board of Firewards Meeting

April 2, 2009

Firewards present: M. Norcross, D.A. Bowles, H. Remick, D. Littlefield

Firefighters present: Chief Colcord, Asst. Chief Bowles, Capt. D.K. Bowles, Capt. D. Teryek

Public Present: Scott Schwartz, Board of Selectman (Tom Abugelis, John Roberts, Willie Farnum)

Meeting Opened at 19:30

Chris Canfield was present at the start of the meeting to read the oath of office for the Board of Firewards present.

Minutes of the March 5, 2009 meeting were accepted as amended by H. Remick, 2nd by M. Norcross. All in favor.

Old Business:

Chief Colcord advised that he sent a letter to the Tamworth Inn advising them that they needed a start date for work to be done on the sprinkler system.

Chief Colcord mentioned to the Board he will go for his CDL test next week.

New Business:

The Board of Selectman were in to discuss the Town's new Drug & Alcohol Testing Policy. Tom Abugelis gave a brief overview of the policy. General discussion ensued. D.A. Bowles asked what the cost would be and if they test onsite. Costs would be \$46 per person for the drug test and \$45 per person for the alcohol test. Test may be held onsite or at a testing facility. There was further discussion regarding implementation of the policy for volunteer members. It was discussed that this may be a logistical problem and not as clear-cut as it would be for full-time employees. The Board of Firewards mentioned that we already have a Zero Tolerance Policy and that we require our members to have a CDL to drive apparatus. It was discussed to possibly have a mobile unit come to a training night and do random testing. The Board of Selectman agreed there needed to be further clarification for volunteer members. They will look into it further and get back to us.

Scott Schwartz was in for interview to be a new member. He submitted his application to the Chief. The Board interviewed him briefly.

D. Littlefield submitted SOG 112: Code of Conduct Policy for the Board to review. Chief Colcord had reviewed the policy prior. Discussion ensued. D. Littlefield made a motion to accept the policy. Seconded by H. Remick. All in favor.

Chief Colcord mentioned he had National Guard duty Friday (4/10), Saturday (4/11), and Sunday (4/12).

Chief Colcord mentioned maintenance had been done to 6E3, and everything was inspected except 6E2 and the Forestry vehicles.

Chief Colcord spoke about the inverter on 6E1 and that it keeps tripping the breaker. Considered the possibilities of moving it. At this time he has removed the equipment from under the seat surrounding the inverter.

Motion for adjournment at 21:23 made by D. Littlefield. Seconded by M. Norcross. All in favor.

Submitted by: DL