

TAMWORTH FIRE DEPARTMENT

Board of Firewards Meeting

August 6, 2009

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

Firefighters present: Chief Colcord, Capt. Teryek, Asst. Chief Bowles, Capt. D.K. Bowles, FF Bross, FF Jeff Tavares, Rescue Luci Bellen

Public Present: None

Meeting Opened at 19:35

Minutes:

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

Old Business:

D.A. Bowles asked about the location of the projector and laptop. D. Littlefield advised they were locked up in the Rescue Office closet and that a key was available in the secure key box.

There was discussion regarding replacing the septic tank. The Board approved to go ahead with the purchase and pick a date to have a work detail to help replace the old one.

Chief Colcord mentioned that the Tamworth Inn has met the criteria to stay open by securing a contract with a sprinkler install company.

Chief Colcord told Bruce Robinson to go ahead with the Kelly hydrant repair and expend up to \$2,000.

Chief Colcord advised that John Roberts will do the repair on the Bliss hydrant.

New Business:

The Board interviewed Scott Mattheson for new membership. Discussion and questioning took place. The Board approved to accept him as a probationary member.

Chief Colcord talked about the need to purchase turnout gear. Discussion ensued. It was decided to go ahead and purchase three sets of gear.

Chief Colcord mentioned that Car1 needed \$300.00 in repairs and discussed the need for a replacement plan.

D. Littlefield inquired about the location of the RIT pack and upon further inspection it had fallen underneath the ladder in the hose truck.

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D. Littlefield asked Chief Colcord what his standard hours of work are, due to some inquiries from people stopping by the station. Chief Colcord said he had no set hours, but if the Board wished he would work set hours. The Board discussed and decided that he did not have to work set hours, but we will tell people that he is typically in by 0800 pending he is not at another appointment or meeting.

Chief Colcord submitted a schedule to the Board that delineated the dates through 2010 that he would be unavailable due to Guard duty.

Asst. Chief J. Bowles proposed SOG #507 Firearms for Board review. Discussion ensued. D. Littlefield felt that we did not need a policy stating that we could carry firearms. Asst. Chief J. Bowles rebutted that it is no different than any other SOG that typically restates an already current law. The Board voted 4-Yes 1-No.

Chief Colcord has started the inspection on Northway Apartments and noted some violations that need to be brought up to code.

Chief Colcord mentioned that 6E1 needed a new brake canister and had the tires rotated at Valladares for \$170.00.

Chief Colcord asked the Board if they wished to continue with pursuing the repeater on the fire tower. He felt it would create a lot of unnecessary interference with our radios. The Board asked to continue pursuing it.

Chief Colcord mentioned that 6F2 needed a new generator.

Chief Colcord inquired whether or not he had to be a Rescue member as Fire Chief. The Board said that he did not have to be.

Chief Colcord asked that we revisit our Zero Tolerance policy and make some changes. The Board felt it was fine the way it was.

Chief Colcord submitted a budget for review.

J. Hartley asked about the status of our apparatus and whether or not anything was in need of major repair.

Chief Colcord mentioned he will be taking Monday and Tuesday off.

Motion for adjournment at 21:45 made by D. Littlefield. Seconded by H. Remick. All in favor.

Submitted by DL