

TAMWORTH FIRE DEPARTMENT

Board of Firewards Meeting

September 3, 2009

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

Firefighters present: Chief Colcord, Capt. Teryek, Asst. Chief Bowles, Capt. D.K. Bowles, FF M. Baumann, FF S. Bross, FF J. Tavares, Rescue Luci Bellen, Rescue Capt. Chris Robinson.

Public Present: Eric St. Jean, Steven Knapp, Scott Finman, Shannon Ruhf, James Harris Jr., Trevor Lee Ferguson.

Meeting Opened at 19:37

New Member Applications:

Scott Finman interviewed. No fire experience, EMT-B in Baltimore. Voted on probationary member conditional of background check.

Shannon Ruhf interviewed. No fire experience, EMT-B in Baltimore. Voted on as probationary member conditional on background check.

James Harris Jr. interviewed. Limited fire experience, some forestry experience. Was on department 12 years ago (16yo). Voted on as probationary member conditional on background check.

Eric St. Jean interviewed. No fire experience. Voted on as probationary member conditional on background check.

Steve Knapp interviewed. Was on department 3 years ago. Has some fire experience and rescue tool training. Voted on as probationary member conditional on background check.

Trevor Lee Ferguson interviewed. 6 months on Weare FD as a junior. Voted on as probationary member conditional on background check.

Non-Public:

H. Remick moved the Board to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(c) at 21:21. Seconded by J. Hartley. All members present voted in the affirmative.

Discussion regarding new applicant

H. Remick moved the Board to exit non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(c) at 20:32. Seconded by J. Hartley. All members present voted in the affirmative.

Minutes:

Minutes of the August 6, 2009 meeting were accepted as amended by H. Remick, 2nd by H. Remick. All in favor.

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Old Business:

Chief Colcord advised the Board that he will have the septic pumped on Friday October 2nd, and the tank will be delivered and installed on Saturday October 3rd.

Chief Colcord is looking for volunteers to help with the Bliss hydrant. John Roberts will be able to work on it on September 9th.

Chief Colcord advised no work done on Kelly hydrant yet.

Chief Colcord has followed up on Northway departments and finished inspections on old units and further inspected newer units.

Chief Colcord has replaced the generator on 6F2, but has discovered new problems and he will address them.

Chief Colcord gave the Board a brief update on the Tamworth Inn. Discussed the need to gather further information and will further update the Board as necessary.

New Business:

Chief Colcord has serviced the furnace in Wonalancet and discussed the need to replace it. The cost would be approximately \$1,300. Discussion ensued over placement of the furnace. J. Hartley made a motion to purchase the furnace and install it. Seconded by H. Remick.

Chief Colcord discussed the need for a work detail to clean up Chocorua and remove old furnace.

Chief Colcord discussed turnout gear. Cap. D. Teryek has checked everyone's gear and reviewed the roster to see who needed new gear. Chief Colcord discussed the need to get gear back from members who are inactive.

Chief Colcord discussed the need to do background checks through the State Police in order to properly and accurately obtain a background check.

Chief Colcord presented the Board with some equipment items that he would like the department to purchase. Generator/Light, Thermal Image Camera, K12 Saw, & Gas meter. Discussion ensued.

D. Bowles inquired about an activity report. Chief Colcord said he did not have a chance to complete one.

D. Littlefield inquired about our budget for 2010. Discussion ensued. The Board asked to present a budget that is level funded or better.

Chief Colcord discussed a new building construction inspection and possible concerns.

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Asst. Chief J. Bowles discussed the SOG 507 Firearms Policy and asked to change the wording of the objective statement to read, "To state the Fire Departments position on firearms." J. Hartley made a motion to accept the change as proposed. Seconded by H. Remick. The Board voted 3 – Yes 1 – No.

Asst. Chief J. Bowles discussed expenditures from unemployment. It was an error in the Town Office and it has been corrected.

Rescue Captain Chris Robinson asked if the department would pay to replace the ceiling tiles in the rescue office. Board agreed to pay to replace them. There was also further discussion to replace the Rescue entrance door. The Board would like to see a price on an insulated steel door.

Capt. D. Teyek mentioned he is missing his old Motorola.

D. Littlefield discussed training for the next couple months.

D. Littlefield asked if the department would want the old hydraulic rescue tools to put on an Engine. Discussion ensued.

Adjournment:

Motion for adjournment at 21:42 made by J. Hartley. Seconded by H. Remick. All in favor.

Submitted by DL