

TAMWORTH FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Board of Firewards Meeting March 7, 2019

Firewards Present: Jim Bowles, Harry Remick, John Hartley, Shawn Bross

Members Present: Chief Richard Colcord, Capt. Diane K. Bowles, Capt. Matt Baumann, FF Zack Remick, FF Jonathan Baumann, FF Shawn Blanchette

Public Present: None.

Meeting Opened at 19:30 by Chairman Bowles

Public Comment: None

Minutes: The Board reviewed the February 7, 2019 minutes. Motion to approve the minutes made by J. Hartley, seconded by S. Bross. All in favor.

Old Business:

The gear rack for Chocorua Station is in. Due to space limitations only four sets could be installed so the other two will be installed in Central Station

The generator at Central Station has not been fixed. Generator Connections has been contacted to fix.

The slave cylinder for the rear suction butterfly valve actuator on 6E1 has been ordered. This should fix the air leak.

The 4" hose that was ordered in November 2018 should be in next week and the company will replace a piece of 1-3/4" hose that was damaged by metal roofing at a fire under warranty.

New Business:

The large diameter discharge is leaking a little on 6E1 so there may be too much pressure to remove the cap. If this happens open the drain for that discharge to relieve the pressure.

Z. Remick & J. Bowles have submitted a grant request for battery powered extrication tools and struts to the Tamworth Foundation.

Ken Noyes will be investigating the starting issue with the 2-1/2 ton and replacing the carburetor on the 3/4 ton. When those things are done he will take a look at the Jeep.

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So far, M. Baumann and Z. Remick are the only ones planning to attend the service on 3/10/19 for the Berwick Maine fire captain that was killed in the line of duty last week.

All the ladders have recently been tested and the turnout gear has been tested. As expected the ladders passed and some turnout gear did not so will need to be replaced.

Chief Colcord presented a \$3,000 quote for a company to test up to 10,000 feet of hose. It was decided to wait until after Town Meeting and then prioritize equipment maintenance and testing for the year.

Chief Colcord will look into discontinuing the “rescue fax” line.

The Firewards reviewed the Chief’s annual personnel evaluation with Chief Colcord.

Chief Colcord advised that he would like to take a “real” vacation but finds it very difficult to take time off because there is always something pressing to be done.

Adjournment: Motion for adjournment at 21:58 made by H. Remick. Seconded by S. Bross. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Bowles