

TAMWORTH FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Board of Firewards Meeting

August 15, 2019

Firewards Present: Jim Bowles, John Hartley, Zachary Remick

Members Present: Chief Richard Colcord, Capt. Diane Bowles, Capt. Matt Baumann, FF. Shawn Blanchette, FF. Jon Baumann at 20:30

Public Present: None

Meeting Opened at 19:34 by Chairman Bowles

Minutes: The Board reviewed the July 18, 2019 minutes. Motion to approve the minutes as amended made by J. Hartley, seconded by Z. Remick. All in favor.

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

Chief Colcord advised that he's consistently been working over 40 hours/week.

TEMSIS reports are getting done more timely.

Discussed the disposal of 6Hose1 once the new engine is in service. Chief Colcord advised that the Highway Department is interested in it. All agreed that it would be appropriate to transfer it to the Highway Department once the equipment has been removed.

Discussed the disposal of the old hydraulic rescue tools. It was determined that they have been fully depreciated and are of no value to the Department. It was mentioned that someone from the Firemen's Club thought that they might be able to sell certain pieces. A motion was made and seconded to request that the Firemen's Club dispose of the old tools. All in favor.

Still need to find someone to scrape/paint the wood trim at the S. Tamworth Station. Current Town policies make it difficult to hire the work done at a reasonable price. It was decided to continue to find a member who will do the work.

Chief Colcord asked the Board to reconsider an application from a person who lives three miles out of Town and who has expressed interested in joining TFR. Chief Colcord has met the person and advises that the person may be a positive addition to the Department. The Board agreed.

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The budget and impending expenses were discussed. Chief Colcord reminded the Board that it is planned to replace drive tires on 6E1 and 6E2 before winter. He also advised that the foam system isn't working on 6E2. Also discussed repairs and maintenance needed on 6ATV1 which is already at Barton's.

Discussed purchasing some new equipment for 6E5.

Discussed documenting what the Chief spends time on. J. Bowles advised that it would be good for other members to document what things they are doing for the Department as well. J. Bowles will get the paper spreadsheet that he used to use to see if it can be used for this purpose.

Z. Remick mentioned that it is important to keep track of non-responses as well.

Z. Remick advised that the AFG grant application for a new forestry vehicle is proceeding.

The Paratech rescue struts are supposed to be here in October.

J. Bowles will contact Frank Evans to find out how he's doing on the "41".

Z. Remick advised that M. Baumann, M. Dow, and he have been comparing their specs to the specs of the Sugarloaf demo ambulance. They have also determined that 6A1 is worth about \$7,500 on trade in. It has 28,000 miles on it.

It was expressed that some members would like the new 6E5 to be lettered similar to 6E4 but to add the Department patch below the word "Tamworth" on the back door. The price of adding the patch will be determined before making this decision.

Adjournment: Motion for adjournment at 20:54 made by J. Hartley. Seconded by Z. Remick. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Bowles