

TAMWORTH FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Board of Firewards Meeting May 7, 2020

Firewards Present: Jim Bowles, Harry Remick, Zachary Remick

Members Present: Chief Richard Colcord, Asst. Chief Matt Baumann, Capt. Diane Bowles, FF Shane Gauthier

Public Present: None

Meeting Opened at 19:30 by Chairman Bowles

Minutes: The Board reviewed the April 2, 2020 minutes. Motion to approve the minutes as amended made by H. Remick, Second Z. Remick. All in favor.

Public Comment: N/A

Old Business:

The new starter has been installed in Forestry 3.

The SCBA compressor is at IPS. It has been fixed, just needs to be brought back.

New Business:

6E5 is being housed at Chocorua Station while E4 is being painted.

Chief Colcord has the materials to move the Central Station generator and will do it some weekend.

Shane Gauthier's background check came back negative and he has been given gear etc.

The Governor has come out with an incentive program for first responders who go on calls during the Covid 19 pandemic for 8 weeks during May and June. The Emergency Management Director is responsible for turning in the appropriate paperwork but active members will also need to fill out paperwork certifying that they are available and willing to go on calls.

Tyler Simmons now has more time and has again expressed interest in joining the Department.

Melissa Taylor has expressed interest in joining the Department and has filled out an application. She was on Sebago Fire/Rescue for seven years, is FF2 certified, and will be testing EMT soon. Chief would like to get her on sooner than later. He will take her to

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the Town office tomorrow for paperwork. Melissa was accepted contingent on a successful background check. Chief Colcord has ok'd her to ride along with Matt.

Discussed and accepted Amber Blanchette as a probationary member. She has a recent background check that was done for her job.

Discussed new Temsis auto lock feature.

Training next week will be Forestry Training at Central.

Zach presented an outline for new member training. All agreed it is a good idea and will look it over.

The foam system is now working on 6E1. It cost \$5,897.79 to fix. Some drain valves that had apparently been frozen were also replaced.

The issue with 6E4 not starting and then having smoke coming out from under the cab turned out to be a defective on-board charger which in turn damaged the batteries. The charger and batteries have been replaced at a cost of \$1,200 +/-.

6E4 is at Andrew's Auto Body getting painted to repair damage incurred at the Tall Pines Road fire.

Chief Colcord has re-filled the gas cans with AV gas.

J. Bowles mentioned that he was informed that a tree has overgrown the back of Chocorua Station and has damaged the siding. He requested that J. Hartley take a look to determine what should be done.

Adjournment: Motion for adjournment at 20:38 made by H. Remick. Seconded by Z. Remick. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Bowles, Chairman – Board of Firewards