

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, December 3, 2024
Municipal Office Complex
Meeting Room 1
Regular Meeting
(YouTube Equipment down so no recording)

Commissioners present: Tim Reynolds, Craig Mansfield, John Cotter
Guests Present: Ray Swol

1. **Called to order** at 5:02 pm by Tim Reynolds and the attendees said the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Acceptance of Minutes**
 - a. Motion to approve minutes from the meeting on 11/04/2024 by John Cotter, seconded by Tim Reynolds. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Bill Approvals:**
 - a. Bills to be paid were reviewed and discussed. Motion to approve the invoices as presented and discussed by Craig Mansfield, seconded by Tim Reynolds. Motion passed unanimously. Group agreed to re-read under video next month when video working again.
4. **Budget Recap:**
 - a. John Cotter provided a budget recap noting the department's to-date spending. To date, for the 2024-25 budget year we started the year with \$591,898 and have spent \$210,682.90, leaving us with a remaining amount of \$381,215.10. Spent 31% to date.
5. **Old Business:**
 - a. Radio programing on Friday. Need all radios turned in or will be shut off.
 - b. Co#1 generator is in but need to determine where it will be placed.
 - c. Goosetown radios installed at the firehouse under the Fire Act Grant. Need final programming.
 - d. RFP for Brush Truck put on hold.
 - e. Turn out gear purchased off state bid.
6. **Selectman's Report:**
 - a. No report
7. **Visitors Participation:**
 - a. None
8. **Reports:**
 - a. Medical Division Report: No report
 - b. Career Staff Report: See below
 - c. Marine Division Report: No report.
 - d. Fire Marshal's Report: No report
 - e. Fire Police Division Report: No report.
 - f. Junior Division Report: No report

- g. Recruitment Division Report: See below
- h. Public Relations Report: See below
- i. Special Events Report: No report
- j. Fire Chief's Report: See below

9. Building & Equipment Reports:

- a. Building Report - Discussed in minutes above.
- b. Fire Equipment and Maintenance Report - See Chief's Report
- c. Radio Equipment Report – Discussed in minutes above.

10. Correspondence:

- a. None

11. New Business:

- a. Thank you to everyone for all the work responding to the brushfires over the past several weeks.
- b. Motion made by Craig Mansfield, seconded by John Cotter to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that Tim Reynold be reappointed for a second term.

12. Adjournment:

- a. Motion to adjourn at 5:36 pm made by John Cotter, second by Craig Mansfield. Motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by:

Craig Mansfield
Secretary
12/20/2024

REPORTS

Medical Division Report: No report

Career Staff Report: Ray Swol reported:

- Staffing is low as we have lost another FT. Expect only 2 people to be on most of the time. Volunteers will be notified.

Marine Report: No report submitted.

Fire Marshal: No report submitted.

Junior Division Report: No report submitted.

Recruitment Division Report: Submitted by Toni Myers

- 2 Candidates were interviewed for Membership last evening. They should be on track to be sworn in Jan/Feb 2025.
- 1 new member will be sworn in at December's (tonight's) Monthly Meeting for Fire Police

Public Relations Report: Submitted by Toni Myers

- An article appeared in quarter 4 of the Events Magazine.
- Articles continue in East Haddam News.
- The next edition of The Siren is due to come out towards the end of December wrapping up yet another very busy quarter.

Special Events Report: No report submitted.

- Tonight is landing of Santa in Moodus.
- Participating in the Marlborough parade on Saturday

Fire Chief's Report: Submitted by Brian Auld (presented by Ray Swol)

CALLS

ONE	VEHICLE FIRE
ONE	MUTUAL AID BRUSH FIRE
ONE	MUTUAL AID STRUCTURE FIRE
ONE	ELECTRICAL FIRE
ONE	PUBLIC SERVICE
ONE	HAZ-MAT INCIDENT
TWO	STRUCTURE FIRES
TWO	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS
TWO	POWERLINE INCIDENTS
FIVE	FIRE ALARMS
FIVE	CARBON MONOXIDE CALLS
SEVEN	SMOKE INVESTIGATIONS

NINE
TWENTY FIVE

BRUSH FIRES
MEDICAL R-1 CALLS

63 TOTAL CALLS

PERSONNEL

- **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**
CAPTAIN CHRIS LEIDEMER AND FIREFIGHTER DUHAIME FOR PASSING
FIRE OFFICER 1 AND 2
- **CAREER FIREFIGHTER BADAMO**
HAS RESIGNED EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 29TH TO FILL A POSITION IN
GROTON CITY
- **RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION**
3 CANDIDATES ARE CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS
1 JUNIOR – JOHN MASON
3 SENIORS – RON CRAWFORD, JOHN GUTHRIES, AND SPENCER LADDY-
LOCKS

TRAINING

- **NEXT DRILL –**
TUESDAY DECEMBER 10TH 18:00 – GILLETTES CASTLE WALK THRU
LYME FIRE COMPANY HAS ALSO BEEN INVITED
- **EAST HADDAM FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL BE HOSTING:**
FIREFIGHTER 2 AND FIRE OFFICER 2 IN FEBRUARY

EVENTS:

PASS OUT A LIST FOR SIGN UPS FOR ALL

- **WREATH AND FIREHOUSE LIGHT INSTALL**
FLAG AND RECRUITMENT SIGNS REMOVAL
LIGHTS WERE ORDERED AND WILL ARRIVE DEC 5TH
NO DATE PROVIDED BY DEPUTY SWOL
- **CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE**
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD – 5PM
- **CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN**
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH – 5PM
- **MARLBOROUGH LIGHT PARADE & FIREWORKS**
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH 4:30PM
SHAWN HAS OFFERED TO HAVE THE SEAGRAVE DECORATED

- **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH 8AM – 11PM

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

- **ENGINE 1-15**
IS CURRENTLY FUNCTIONAL
PUMP HAS TO BE RUN IN RPM MODE
PARTS ARE ON ORDER TO REPLACE ELECTRONIC MONITOR
- **ENGINE 4-15**
TWO STROBES ARE SCHEDULED TO BE FIXED BY SCRANTON COMMUNICATIONS
- **REPLACEMENT BOX LIGHTS**
HAVE BEEN ORDERED FOR MARINE 1, TANKER 1, AND ENGINE 4
- **UTILITY 1-15**
STRAPS NEED TO BE ORDERED BY CPT SWOL
- **LADDER 1-15**
NO HEAT
3 GALLONS OF COOLANT WAS ADDED DUE TO POSSIBLY NON REFILL WHEN SERVICED
HEAT IS NOW FUNTIONAL
- **UTILITY 2-15 -**
IS TO BE RELOCATED TO COMPANY # 1 DURING WREATH INSTALL
MARINE 4 TO BE RELOCATED TO COMPANY # 3
CAR 15 TO BE PLACED IN MARINE 4S SPOT COMPANY # 1
- **TV MONITORS CO # 1 –**
HAS BEEN MOUNTED BUT NEEDS TO BE FUNTIONAL
- **(4) FOUR GAS METERS**
ARE ON ORDER FOR ENGINE 1,2,4, LADDER 1
- **NEW CORD REEL CO # 1**
HAS BEEN REPLACED
- **NEW GENERATOR**
HAS YET TO BE INSTALLED AT CO # 1
- **PORTABLE RADIO CHECKS**
SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY DECEMBER 6TH
PERSONNEL ARE TO DROP OFF RADIOS NO LATER THEN 07:30 ON FRIDAY 12/6 CO # 1 OR CO #2
EXTENSION MIC AND HOLSTER ARE TO BE REMOVED
FIRST AND LAST NAME IS TO BE LEGIBLY WRITTEN ON RADIO

ANY ISSUE WITH RADIO IS TO BE LEGIBLY WRITTEN ON RADIO
RADIOS SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY 5:30PM, SAME DAY 12/6

- **BASE STATION RADIOS**
HAVE BEEN INSTALLED AND ARE FUNTIONAL
BOTH COMPANY # 1 AND # 2
- **EXHAUST COUPLING FOR ENGINE 2**
IS ON ORDER
- **ID TAGS**
ALL PERSONNEL NEED TO HAVE 3 IDS
TWO IDS ARE TO BE PLACED ON THE FRONT OF YOUR TURNOUT COAT
OR RADIO STRAP
THIRD ID GOES IN YOUR WALLET
SEE LT MINER IF YOU NEED REPLACEMENT TAGS OR AN UPDATED TAG
- **GEAR GRANT**
HAS GEAR BEEN ORDERED?
- **NEW GEAR HAS ARRIVED AFTER LAST ROTATIONS**
CHECK STATUS FROM LT MINER IF OLD GEAR HAS FROM RECIPIENTS
HAS BEEN PLACED BACK IN INVENTORY – THIS WAS BROUGHT UP AT
LAST E BOARD
CPT SWOL, FF LUTTON, FF KAGEL, AND FF BADAMO NEED TO TURN IN

FROM THE CHIEF:

- **THANK YOU TO ALL PERSONNEL THAT ATTENDED THE FUNERAL AND CELEBRATION OF LIFE OF JOE BONOLA**
SPECIAL THANK YOU TO CPT NEIL MOSIG, CPT MYERS, DEPUTY CHIEF SWOL, CPT MATT SWOL, FP BARRY, RETIRED CHIEF SHAWN DAIGLE FOR ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS
- **THANK YOU TO ALL PERSONNEL THAT RESPONDED**
TO THE STRING OF FIRES THAT WEVE RECENTLY EXPERIENCED
YOUR PROFESSIONALISM DOES NOT GO UN NOTICED
- **REMINDER TO APPARATUS DRIVERS TO:**
WASH APPARATUS AFTER EVERY RUN DURING INCLIMATE WEATHER
USE A BACKER WHEN THERE'S PERSONNEL ON BOARD OTHER THEN
THE DRIVER
PLUG IN APPARATUS AFTER USE
ATTACH EXHAUST HOSE AFTER USE (CO # 1 ONLY)
- **BURN BAN –**
HAS BEEN LIFTED BY STATE AND TOWN

- **ESO NARRATIVES**
NEED TO BE MORE THOROUGH
INCLUDING: WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY, HOW