Meeting Minutes
May 2, 2016, 7:00 pm
Citizens Engine Co.

Attendees: Chief John Cronin, Mike Lombardi, Tom Tomasheski, and other members

1) The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

2) All were led in the pledge to the flag.

3) Mike Lombardi/Tom Tomasheski made a motion to accept Chief's Meeting Minutes from April 4, 2016. Vote: 3/0

4) Public Comment: There was no public comment.

5) Correspondence: Chief Cronin mentioned two letters received. He did not have copies at the meeting but he does have them. One was a thank you note from the family of the fatal fire on Bungay Road. Copies were put in both fire houses. It also came with a donation which was split between the two companies. The second was a thank you note from Naugatuck Fire Department for providing coverage when they had a condo fire.

6) Fire Police Captain Comments: No fire police were present at the meeting.

7) Unfinished Business: Chief Cronin discussed the reports lacking information when they are filled out and submitted. The run forms need to be filled out appropriately because they are being requested by State Police, Homeowners Insurance companies and lawyers.

8) New Business: Mike Lombardi discussed the need for everyone to get better about wearing vests. Tom Tomasheski discussed the need to get more officers out to the calls. John Cronin is seeing this issue with the day calls. He sees a lot of names on a run form but no apparatus gets out. Tom Tomasheski said driver training and cross training needs to be done.

Tom Tomasheski suggested creating a form letter to be sent out to members indicating the member is out of service and boxes on the bottom indicating what the violations were, physicals, calls, drills etc. and to return company property.
Tom Tomasheski discussed moving officers on the dive team around. Chris will be the leader of the team and Steve will come down one notch. He would like a maintenance officer to be in charge of everything because there was an incident again with the van being vandalized. The officers will be notified that if the person responsible is found they will be removed from the company.

John Cronin/Mike Lombardi made a motion to Chris DeRosa will be car 21 as Captain, Steve Childs will be car 22 as first lutenient. John Cronin will update NorthWest and the company drive. Vote: 3/0

Tom Tomasheski stated that 18 does not have a wheel chuck, the new boat needs 5 ft. PVC to make the rails higher to serve as a better guide when backing the truck up, teathers are needed for the drain plugs so the caps do not disappear.

John Cronin met with the new owners of the Lake House, now the Stone's Throw who wants to expand the boat launch to be open to the public. Public Works needs to dig it 8 feet wider, install a retaining wall, and pave with millings. The only issue is a small piece of landlocked parcel owned by a guy across the street which is located right where they would need to dig. The new owner of the Stone's Throw also wants to allow the dive team store the boat on site. He will look into getting a cover for the boat, a key lock on the boat and how to get a power to the boat. The owner will give 16 feet of dock space if they help him widen the dock.

John Cronin wrote a grant for 9 AEDs, 4 for engines, one for the ladder and one for each chief truck.

9) Training: Discussion was had regarding the list of members whose trainings are incomplete. John Cronin suggested that the officers contact some of the people on the list regarding completing training.

Discussion was had on the upcoming training dates in May. There is a class on May 15 for tanker training; May 22, extraction rill at Daddio's. May 7 and 21 pump classes at Storms. 2Q classes are done. They will be testing soon. All drills that require the use of apparatus should be put on the calendar.

10) Physicals: Extensive lists were given to the captains of members that need physicals.

11) Repairs and Maintenance: SCBA certification testing will occur 5/6 at Citizens. Drop packs and regulators off, not bottles. Great Hill will be 5/10.
Truck 18 had no start issue - blown fuse; Meters are starting to fail. One on Engine 11 and one on Mike Lombardi's car.

Command Board will be mounted in 12.

There is an issue with computers and ipads passwords being put on with unauthorized people. John Cronin will have Ken Pallant take all the computers and create an administrator password and user password.

New tires were put on 16 with an emergency P.O. Mike Lombardi's truck may need a new spark plug or coil pack. Tom Tomasheski had new fog lights put on his truck.

12) Company Events for May: Great Hill is having an even with the ladies auxiliary. There is a New Haven County Fire Chief's meeting. The request forms are not being filled out for the town's notice. Events will be cancelled if notice is not given.

13) Captain's Comments: Nobody from Great Hill was present.

14) Public Comment: Rich Grudzias commented that he hasn’t had a pager since Super Sunday.

14) Executive Session: Not necessary.

17) Chief’s Requisitions:

50 bags of Speedy Dry $600 from Daddios

O2 Sensors - will get price before Commission Meeting.

Cases of Water for the trucks.

Tom Tomasheski/Mike Lombardi made a motion to accept the requisitions. Vote: 3/0

18) Adjournment: Mike Lombardi/Tom Tomasheski made a motion to adjourn at 7:53pm. Vote: 3/0

Respectfully Submitted,

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