Meeting Minutes  
September 10, 2018, 7:00 p.m.  
Great Hill Hose Co.  

Attendees: Tom Eighmie, Clay Jurgens, Pete Sampiere, Todd Andrews, Dan Cooper  

1) The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.  

2) Pledge to the flag  

3) Chief Meeting Minutes: Discussion and approval of September 2018 meeting  

Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to accept September 2018 minutes. Vote: 5/0  

Clarification was made on the remaining members who need to take the harassment training.  

4) Chief's Report: 97% of SCBA project is finished. Rehab 20 is just about done. Engine 13 contract has been signed. Graphics have been laid out. Currently a work in progress. Workshop next Monday at Citizens re: running rules, fire police. Discussion was had regarding the R17 at Balance Rock. Training is booked up until January. Propane tank was installed at bus yard.  

5) Public comment: No comment.  

6) Commissioner's Meeting Minutes: Discussion/approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes dated August 2018 meeting minutes  

Todd Andrews/Pete Sampiere made a motion to approve Commissioner Minutes. Vote: 5/0  

Clarification was made on a typo in the minutes.  

Still no start date on the roof.  

7) Correspondence: Letter was received from Great Hill Hose Company with a vote of no confidence for the Board. It was FYI and will be filed.  

Telephone: 203-888-1909
8) Financial Report: Discussion and approval.
Todd Andrews/Pete Sampiere made a motion to approve the financial report. Vote: 5/0

Discussion was had regarding a line item transfer from clerk's salary to equipment non-capital.

See attached financial report.

9) Fire Marshals report: Discussion and approval of August 2018
Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to approve report. Vote: 5/0

Discussion was had over the size of the actual propane tank at the bus depot.

10) Unfinished Business:

a)

11) New Business:

Todd Andrews/Tom Sampiere made a motion to add surplus of old equipment to the agenda. Vote: 5/0

a) Discussion/possible action on Tax Abatement Committee - Discussion was had regarding forming a Tax Abatement Committee with representatives from each fire house and EMS, per town ordinance.

Tom Eighmie/Dan Cooper made a motion to follow the town ordinance to form a tax abatement committee. Vote: 5/0

b) Discussion/possible action on an interline item transfer-
Discussion was had regarding transferring the Clerk salary to Equipment non capital.

Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to transfer $24,720 out of line item 550-120 to line item 550-745 equipment non capital Vote: 5/0

c) Surplus of old equipment- Discussion was had regarding the surplus of old nozzles, old SCBA bottles minus 20 bottles (which will be used for training), old rams, two old RIT pack 1.
d) Todd/ Pete made a motion to surplus old nozzles, old SCBA bottles minus 20 bottles (which will be used for training), old rams, two old RIT pack 1.

Discussion was had on the status of the dive equipment.

12) First Selectman Round Table. There was no discussion.

13) Public Comment: No public comment.

14) Chief's Requisitions- Discussion and approval

See attached requisitions. Todd Andrews/Dan Cooper made a motion to approve requisitions. Vote: 5/0

Tom Eighmie noted that some of the requisitions may have to wait for approval from board of finance.

15) Commissioner Comments: Dan Cooper- Location of August meeting was Citizens Engine, Pete Sampiere questioned the status of the replacement of the lights in Great Hill.

16) Executive Session:

17) Adjournment: Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:47p.m. Vote: 5/0

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Chernesky
Recording Secretary
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SEYMOUR FIRE MARSHAL’S REPORT
SUMMARY OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST 2018

Below is a brief summary of the major work activities that the Seymour Fire Marshal’s Office conducted during the month of August 2018.

Building Inspections – 10 inspections on new construction 26 inspections on existing buildings 11 re-inspections

Reports – 39 Blasting Permit – 0 Blasting Site Inspections – 2 Blasting Complaints – 0

Other Complaints – 4 Meetings – 21 Code Modification request – 0 Detail Code Reviews – 2

Detail follow-up activities – 75 Burning Permits – 0 Underground propane tank inspections - 0

Oil Tank Removal/Inquiry - 7 Plan Review - 2 Other – 25 Fire Lane/hydrant tickets - 0

Document Review – 10 Outside Property Inspections – 2 Fire Investigations – 0 Training Sessions- 4

TOTAL ACTIVITIES FROM ABOVE - 240

Major Activities

Town of Seymour Schools – The Office conducted its yearly inspection of the Town’s Public Schools with follow up activities. The BOE has been served with the abatement orders to correct the violations that the Office identified. The Office is witnessing fire and lock down drills at the schools. The Office also conducted periodic inspections of the fire lanes at the schools during their initial opening days.

Outside Training provided – FM Wetowitz conducted yearly fire safety training for the residents of Smithfield Gardens. DFM Willis conducted yearly fire safety training for the staff at Smithfield Gardens.

Training activities attended – FM Wetowitz completed an on line training class on Fire Investigations for Wildfires. DFM Willis completed an on line class for Fire Investigation for Wildfires.

Hoarding Properties – There is no change from last month. I have 1 property left to complete that the Office is aware of. These types of issues are time consuming in follow up activities.

115 Main Street, the old Bank of America – A sprinkler water main has been installed, flushed and inspected.

16 Progress Avenue – Construction activities continue to occur. This 77,000 square foot building will be occupied by Thule Company. It is being planned to be a manufacture building and warehouse.

Safety Committee activities – DFM Willis inspected and tested all AEDs in Town buildings only.
Burn Building – The building has been used by both fire companies. It is the fire department plan to begin live fire training in September 2018.

Regionalization – I have reviewed a proposed Town Inter-local agreement from our Town attorney and have sent out my comments to the other Valley Fire Marshals. I am waiting for their comments and their Town’s comments back before moving to the next step. I continue to conduct follow up activities.

Aquarion Water Company- I am not aware of any new information regarding the water line replacement to occur along South Main Street. It is my belief this is several years out. I am not aware of any scheduled training to the fire department on the water supply system in Seymour. The Fire Chiefs are working with them on making this happen.

Allstate Bus Company, North Main Street – The 18,000 gallon propane tank support is being prepared with fire rated coating and is expected to be delivered shortly. Once it is delivered and installed, I will be conducting inspections and witnessing the testing of the safety equipment on it. I have requested a training session to be conducted with the Bus Company on the propane busses and this tank.

639 South Main Street – Construction activities continue to occur in this building. The Office continues to conduct periodic inspections. It is being converted into a single family residence and then a restaurant. This building is the old Anton’s Pizza and contractor’s garage.

McDonald’s Restaurant, Bank Street – The construction activities continue to occur at this building. They are also addressing ADA and other renovations for this restaurant. The Office continues to conduct periodic inspections.

Fire Prevention Activities – The Office has started pre fire prevention activities. This included so far the ordering of supplies for the schools and day cares, placing a banner in Town Hall and obtaining and handing out the necessary information to the elementary schools for the fire prevention poster contest.

Thule, Silvermine Road – A plan review was conducted in a change in sprinkler protection in their warehouse. They will be removing their in-rack sprinklers and upgrading their ceiling density protection to compensate. The Office has approved the plan.

Oak Ridge Town Houses, George Street – The Office has reviewed plans for 10 Town Houses off of George Street’s dead end. It probably will involve blasting. The Fire Chiefs have been notified to decide the location of a fire hydrant in this area.

INVESTIGATIONS: None to report on.

Each fire and follow-up requires a detailed report.

Submitted by,

Paul Wetowitz
Seymour Fire Marshal
September 10 2018

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