Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
Citizens Engine Co.

Attendees: Tom Eighmie, Clay Jurgens, Pete Sampiere, 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 February 2019 meeting minutes.

Pete Sampiere/Tom Eighmie made a motion to add disposition of training vehicle to agenda. Vote: 4/0

Tom Eighmie explained the cost related to the communications commission updating the portables and recording fire ground channels.

Deputy fire marshal interviews will have one chief and one commissioner. No dates yet.

4) Chief's Report: Engine 13 wetdown Feb 24, Budget Feb 25 at 7pm.

Old Engine 13 is on the board of selectmen agenda for February 19. Maine department is tentatively scheduled to come pick it up March 8.

Chris Edwards stated there was a drop in communication regarding the surplus of Old Engine 13, as the Board of Fire Chiefs were unaware that after surplusing the truck and finding a department to donate it to, the truck would then have to go back to the board of selectmen for approval.

Pete Sampiere/Dan Cooper made a motion to have chiefs look around and find any outdated equipment to donate along with Old Engine 13. Vote: 4/0

Duty Week list was handed out.

5) Public comment: No comment.
6) Commissioner's Meeting Minutes: Discussion/approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes dated January 14, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes dated January 17, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes Phase2 dated January 17, 2019

Tom Eighmie/Dan Cooper made a motion to approve Commissioner Meeting Minutes dated January 14, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes dated January 17, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes Phase2 dated January 17, 2019 Vote: 4/0

7) Correspondence: None

8) Financial Report: Discussion and approval.

Pete Sampiere/Dan Cooper made a motion to approve the financial report. Vote: 4/0

9) Fire Marshals report: Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to accept Fire Marshals reports dated January 2019. Vote: 4/0

Tim Willis answered questions regarding Haynes blasting.

10) Unfinished Business:

11) New Business:

Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to add surplus of two broken pumps to the agenda. Vote: 4/0

Dan Cooper/Tom Eighmie made a motion to surplus gear over ten years to the agenda Vote: 4/0

  a) Chiefs six month review- Tom Eighmie discussed starting a self-evaluation prior to reviews.

  b) Tax abatement paperwork- Captains submitted paperwork to the board. Tom Eighmie/Dan Cooper made a motion to move the paperwork on to town hall. Vote: 4/0

  c) Surplus broken pumps- Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to surplus broken pumps. Vote: 4/0

  d) Gear- Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to surplus any gear over 10
12) First Selectman Round Table. There was no discussion.

13) Public Comment: No public comment.

14) Chief's Requisitions - Discussion and approval

Pete Sampiere/Dan Cooper made a motion to approve requisitions. Vote: 4/0

15) Commissioner Comments: No comments.

16) Executive Session: none needed.

17) Adjournment: Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Vote: 4/0

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Chernesky
Recording Secretary
SEYMOUR FIRE MARSHAL’S REPORT
SUMMARY OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES FOR JANUARY 2019

Below is a brief summary of the major work activities that the Seymour Fire Marshal’s Office conducted during the month of January 2019.

I had a high number of paid- time off days this month.

Building Inspections – 4 inspections on new construction 9 inspections on existing buildings and 8 re-inspections

Reports – 15 Blasting Permit – 1 Blasting Site Inspections – 3 Blasting Complaints – 1

Other Complaints – 0 Meetings – 13 Code Modification request – 0 Detail Code Reviews – 0

Detail follow- up activities – 53 Burning Permits – 0 Underground propane tank inspections – 0

Oil Tank Removal/Inquiry – 0 Plan Review – 2 Other – 19 Fire Lane/hydrant tickets – 0

Document Review – 3 Outside Property Inspections – 0 Fire Investigations – 0 Training Sessions – 4

TOTAL ACTIVITIES FROM ABOVE – 135

Major Activities

Outside Training provided – None.

Training activities attended – DFM Willis took an online class, attended a half day class on Tall Wooden Buildings, certified fire investigation training and Egress out of a Building.

16 Progress Avenue – Construction activities continue to occur. It is being planned to be a manufacture building and warehouse.

Safety Committee activities – DFM Willis inspected AEDs in Town Buildings.

Burn Building – It is planned to be burned in February.

Regionalization/Inter-local Agreement – (No Change) An approved draft has been agreed to and modified by a Seymour Town Attorney. It has been sent to all 7 Valley Fire Marshals to bring before their elected Boards. I anticipate a completed agreement within several months.

639 South Main Street – This project is complete.

Telephone: 203-881-5010 • Fax: 203-881-5005
Oak Ridge Town Houses, George Street – Blasting has begun. No significant issues to date.

160 Bank Street, Wendy’s Restaurant – (No Change) A plan review was completed on this newly proposed restaurant. Some changes have been indicated to the designer to address. Construction has not started to date.

73 Cogwheel Lane, Emery Scale – Construction activities have started. The adult daycare occupancy has moved out of the bottom level. This level is planned to be totally manufacturing for Emery Scale.

115 Main Street (the old Bank of America) – Construction activities has slowed down. There are several offices in the building now.

Skokorat Road (the old Bunting Express) – This building is now occupied by LeClair Heating and A/C. Construction activities have begun for a small renovation inside the building.

Fire Prevention Poster Contest – I continue to work on the fire prevention poster contest that deals with the fourth and fifth grades in both elementary schools.

Main Street – A social club is proposing to move into the old liquor store. Plans are being reviewed and completed. Several pre-construction inspections have occurred to date.

600 Derby Avenue, Haynes Quarry – Blasting at the quarry has begun again. No significant issues to date.

INVESTIGATIONS:

79 Balance Rock Road – This was a major structure fire in a condo unit that resulted in a death. There have been many follow activities regarding the investigation of this fire.

Each fire and follow-up requires a detailed report.

Submitted by,

[Signature]

Paul Wetowitz
Seymour Fire Marshal
February 11 2019

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