

**West Dover Fire Department
Officer's Meeting
May 11, 2015**

Officers Present: Richard Werner, John Snow, Mike Hescock, Mickey Kersten
Also present: Recording Secretary Jeannette Eckert, Jim Littrell (Interim Pastor, West Dover Congregational Church)

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:27pm

New Business:

Rich asked Pastor Jim Littrell to attend from WD Congregational Church to see if he would be interested in being interim Chaplain for the group to reestablish connection made by Emily Heath as she has moved from the area

- Jim lives in So. Newfane, would be happy to be available to firefighters and families while he is here
- Could attend a drill one night and take a few minutes to introduce himself to the guys
- Will be here until the next pastor is called, perhaps by the end of the year
- Will plan on being at May 20th drill at 6:30pm
- Contact info:
 - Cell phone is 215-219-1662; home phone is 365-4512
 - Email James.littrell@gmail.com

Mt Snow Update:

- Handle Road pipeline project will begin Monday, May 18th
- Starting at the Wilmington end

Equipment:

- Look into purchase of small chain saw—14-16' blade for use on pickup truck used for brush fires
 - Get recommendation and let Rich know—there is \$\$ in equipment line item
 - Grant money is available for next year
- Only \$10,000 damage to antique fire truck; maybe 3 months to restore it
 - Entertain option of possible covered trailer if vehicle is ever stored at the firehouse; could then be transported to parades, shows etc.
 - Bring up at next Association meeting
- Electronic sign for school—do we want the same type at firehouse?
 - Would be used to announce meetings as well as emergency information
 - \$9000 installed—will propose to School Board
 - Officers are in favor of looking into it
 - Select Board approval?
- Consider memorial area on firehouse grounds; colorful garden area
- Gary & Rich pulled panel off back of utility truck—rack has been ordered; will update cascade system
- Consider replacing air pump compressor in SCBA room—Association expense?

- Start thinking about August 1st parade

Training/ Drills:

- May 13th—John, portable pumps
- May 18th—Hazmat training in Wardsboro, 6pm—**email Rich if you plan to attend**
- May 20th—Mickey, something outside while weather is decent: driving course, ladder truck training
- May 27th—RIT training with Bill Shea
- June 3rd--Mike
- June 10th—Rich
- June 17th—Rick Fletcher—something outside, forest fire, grass fire, forestry tools

Calls:

- Car accident last Saturday
 - 4 fireman attended
 - Good reminder for the Officers—gas tank leak found after the fact; didn't notice until attempting to tow car away
 - Air bag & seat belt saved occupant's life

- ❖ **No meeting on May 25th—Memorial Day**
- ❖ **Next meeting on June 8 at 5pm**

Respectfully submitted by Jeannette Eckert, Recording Secretary

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