

**West Dover Fire Department  
Officer's Meeting  
September 14, 2015**

Officers Present: Richard Werner, John Snow, Mike Hescoock, Mickey Kersten  
Also present: Recording Secretary Jeannette Eckert, Dave Moulton from Mount Snow

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:06pm

**Equipment:**

- No update on the antique truck; Possibly a year to complete the repairs
  
- Quote on fireproof rescue rope--\$1220
  - Couldn't we get one at Home Depot for a lot less money?
  - Would we use it enough to make the purchase worthwhile?
  
- 4 wheeler—put tires back on?—could not make it up the hill in Townshend
  - Tracks back on in the winter/ tires on for summer? 3 in favor; 1 against
  - Anytime we have needed it in Dover, it has worked fine
  - At this point in Sept, should wait until next year
  - Purchase another 4 wheeler? Or purchase a snowmobile for winter?
  - When we first bought it, tires were supposed to be changed out
  - Propose putting a winch on the 4 wheeler—see about getting a winch kit
  - How much would it cost to have Mt Snow Motors or Fat City Motor Works do it for us?
  - Mike will check into pricing on a change out
  
- Television—reception is better when VCR is not hooked up
  - Rich will call Keith Sherman and have him check out both TV's
  - Power point presentations—and projector issues—is it the cable?
  
- Keurig coffee maker purchase—will have decaf, regular, tea, hot chocolate available

**Training/ Drills:**

- Wed, the 16<sup>th</sup>: Bill Shea
  - Driving skills, tying knots—Drew Hazelton did a great class on knots
  - Addressed NFPA concerns--only sets standards to follow, not requirements
  - Safety factor is difference between NFPA & recreational climbers—10:1 safety ration
  - NFPA errs on the side of caution
  
- Oct 7<sup>th</sup>—Hose test in the Moover parking lot
- Drew Hazleton is doing 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed drills; next one Oct 14<sup>th</sup>
- Oct 21<sup>st</sup>--something with DVR; can someone contact Bob Maynard to set this up—invite him to the Sept 28<sup>th</sup> officers meeting?
- Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>—(Thurs) Stratton invited us up to work on ladder truck maneuvers

**Association Meeting**—will warn for October 29<sup>th</sup>

- Prepare newsletter—any items please pass on to Dave Moulton
- Photos also to Dave Moulton
- Potential purchases:
  - Air compressor
  - Covered trailer to store antique firetruck

- When requesting to be paid for trainings, please run it by Rich first
  - Firefighter One training—only one officer is certified in this
  - Being taught in modules now
  - Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> in Wardsboro—doing some practical's
  - Cascade bottles—will see if Wardsboro wants them

### **Mt Snow:**

- Email from Laurie Newton regarding the Carinthia sprinkler system
- Regarding automatic Class One stand pipes—is Fire Dept. willing to boost the pressure using firetrucks?
- First three floors' current design meets the requirements
- However, 4<sup>th</sup> floor is *under* the pressure requirement—65 to 70 psi
- Waive the requirement? Would have to connect a pumper to get the 100 psi
- Sprinkler system would be on the domestic water system; anything else would plug up the sprinklers
- Hydrant would have more than enough pressure
- Have the stand pipes run off a different fire protection system? Consider this option
- Stand pipes will all be in interior areas—certain requirements need to be met
- Request for a waiver on the Carinthia system: Officers unanimously *not* in favor of the waiver
- Mt Snow will explore the options

Hydrant across road from Carinthia; One at Butterfield Common—opted not to spend \$3500 on that  
Extra hydrant at Ski Baba will be provided by Mt Snow

### **Blueberry Festival:**

- Spoke with Janet Boyd—minimal turnout at Firehouse & for parade vehicles
- What else can we do to help her out?
- Set up a truck/gear for kids--perhaps at Toscanellas along with a tent with literature on WDFD
- Try to encourage participation and activity at different spots along the parade route
- Don't believe we should advertise an open house every year

**Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm**

❖ **Next meeting on September 28 at 5pm**

Respectfully submitted by Jeannette Eckert, Recording Secretary

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