

West Dover Fire Department
OFFICERS MEETING
Minutes
Monday- March 28, 2016

Officers Present: Mickey Kersten, John Snow, Gary Carruthers, Mike Hescocock, Rick Fletcher, Rich Werner

Also present: Recording secretary, Jeannette Eckert

Called to order at 5:10 PM

Old Business-

-Questions on previous minutes- 02/29/16 Minutes

- Possibly missing two fire calls from February—Hermitage on the 17th and Mt Snow Village??
 - May have been in March
- Recording secretary is still the old recording secretary---Rebecca Stone has declined the position

-Numbers on the ladders

- More coming in—did not have enough zeros

-Weatherproof air and electrical connections

- Recessed with a cover to protect the hose
- David Smith finished the closet and did some painting
- 16 ft. ladder purchased—**should not leave the station!**
- Air leaks in Engine 2—Bob Holland is going to take a look

-Hermitage Emergency Services Meetings

- Monthly meetings usually in the winter
- Fireworks permits-need to be 2 weeks in advance
- Response to fire at Hermitage was good

-Pike pole for Ladder 1- Mickey and John Snow (it is here)

- Leaning up against the wall
- Cannot put brackets on the ladder by drilling into it—will create a way to bolt it on and put pole on ourselves

-Inventory of trucks- U2- rescue equipment

- Mickey completed inventory list
- Call it a forestry truck—has all the gear on it, will go to brush fires
- Will be used for multiple purposes: cover assignments, schools etc.
- Chainsaw—14” brush saw—Mike will look into pricing
- Working on rescue equipment list

-SCBA / Medical form (in C1's hands)

- Rich will stop at the health center

- All new people should have a check-up and for all others--every other year
- Will be paid by Fire Dept. if you don't have insurance
- Urgent Care Center in Brattleboro—no appointment necessary--\$99.00-\$129.00

-Recruitment and Retention- (defer until after meeting with Mt. Snow in early May)

-Winch on Four Wheeler- Mike H

- 25 lb. for \$563.00 installed
- Comes with pill block
- Association money to pay for it
- Service on it \$100.00
- Tracks on or off? Switch them out?
- Keep wheels on for the whole year—chains on the tires?
- Mike will get chains—trade in tracks

-Carbide chains for chain saws- Mike H

- 16" for \$220.00
- Another chain saw for utility truck
- Check compartments to see if it will fit

-Task Force Training- what Chief picked

- Water Supply Officer
- 16 Qualities of Incident Commander

-E-mail sheet to all firemen- officers were assigned to finish the list—sheets distributed for those missing

-Furnace proposal- to go to Select board in April (Jeannette to add to agenda on April 5th)

-Mt. Snow request (will attend second Monday in May with an update)

-2006 Letter to Andy at Greensprings- April- meet with John Densmore about standpipes

-Compasses/ GPS (in C1's hands)—Rich will order compasses; not sure on GPS yet

New Business-

-Air compressor- fixed and working correctly

-February Fire Calls (see below)

-February payroll was processed

-"Life Support: The Narcan Monologues"- Facebook and the fire service—reasons why NOT to post things on Facebook—need to be very careful

-Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force grant program for dry hydrants

- Is there any place we can do it? Possibly the Sawmill; any new ponds?
- Application deadlines are April 1st, June 1st and August 1st

- Think about it for next meeting
- Plan on this for future drill

-Letter from Newfane Select board thanking WDFD for response to Newfane Café & Creamery fire

-LEOP plan was updated

- Added holding ponds and Tier II locations

-Application for Firefighter One—Tim Dolan is interested

Training-

-SLICE-RS- www.youtube.com/watch?V=80ysec2fme

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=82OJqcftNVg>

-46th Annual Addison Regional Fire School- Middlebury, VT April 23 and 24th

-Twin State Fire School- Wells River, VT April 30 and May 1

-Flamingo Fitness and "The Firefighters Workout Book"—Larry Feldstein did a recent fitness class at a drill and provided the book for anyone who is interested

Next drills:

- April 6th-- Bill Shea—Drafting
- April 13th-- Angle rescue with baskets—Andy McLean has found a location to do this
- April 20th—Dry hydrants

-Professional Equipment Wipes—a supply is in for use in wiping masks out

-Shirah Crafts is looking for tables for a tag sale in June at the School—don't normally lend those out

-Newbrook Fire Dept.—hired Bill Shea for trainings

-Generator at Butterfield Common—recent article in newspaper

- “Life safety is more important than building safety”
- Should call out several depts. to assist folks in wheelchairs in the event of an emergency

Next Meeting- April 25th at 5pm

Adjourn at 6:40pm

FIRE CALLS FOR THE WEST DOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT February 2016

February 5- False Fire Alarm- Route 100

February 6- False Fire Alarm- North Access Road

February 9- Car slid off of road- Route 100

-False Fire Alarm- Greensprings Road

February 11- Assist Ambulance- Butterfield Road

February 12- CO Monitor Sounding- Route 100

- Car slid off of road- Handle Road

February 13- False Fire Alarm- Route 100

February 14- False Fire Alarm- Tanglewood Lane

February 15- Structure Fire- Hermitage Road

- Car slid off road- Route 100

February 17- CO Monitor sounding-Kingswood & Hermitage

February 18- CO Monitor sounding- Snow Tree Lane

February 19-Assist Ambulance- Edwards Village Loop

February 20- False Fire Alarm- Margit Ridgeway Road

-False CO call- Stugger Road

-Motor Vehicle Accident- Valley View Road

February 21- False Fire Alarm- Shannon Ridge Road

February 23- Motor Vehicle Accident- Route 100

February 25- Flooded Basement- Wilmington-

February 27- False Fire Alarm- Route 100

February 28- False Fire Alarm- North Access Road

Respectfully submitted by Jeannette Eckert

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