

West Dover Fire Department
Officers Meeting
Minutes
November 14, 2016

Officers Present: Gary Caruthers, Mickey Kersten, John Snow, Rich Werner, Mike Hescok

Also Present: Recording secretary Tim Dolan, Glen Ethier from 5-Alarm Services

Meeting called to order at 5:05pm

Mount Snow Fireworks Permits-

- Approved & signed by Rich at last drill (November 2)
- Dates are 11/26, 12/31, 1/15, 2/22, and 7/3

General Notes-

- Thermal Imaging- Train with your imager
- Nov 30- CO awareness in NH if anyone wants to go
- Firefighter Association membership application renewal
 - Gary promotion to Assistant Chief
 - Additions: Chris Brooks, Jamie Storrs, Andy McClain, Mike Manon, Ben Joyce, Marc Balch
- Minutes approved from last meeting
- Good appreciation dinner at Dover Forge
 - Plaques- what do they say?
 - John will email Rich the text from his one at home
- December Drill – only 1 fire drill (no 3rd week)
 - Bobby Maynard- first week in December

Newfane asked if they can use a truck bay while selling truck

- No issues, they can use the extra bay
- John thinks it may have already sold since the request

Private House-

- Owner wants to tear down next year
- Can we burn it for a drill? Needs to be looked at
- Has foundation, but possible hole in floor on one side?
- John & Mike will look at and determine if it can be burned

Hose testing:

- Short on 3" hose, not replacing will only use 2.5" going forward
- Glen to order (5) 4" hoses w/ stortz fittings for us
- 25', 2.5" one per truck needed- all set for now

Firehouse floor

- Entire house 80'x80'=6400 sq ft
- Rubber matting
 - Can be swept and washed
 - Lifetime warranty
 - \$5 per square foot= \$32,000
- Concrete Sealing
 - Too big a job for town with only one maintenance person on staff
 - Work detail?- Would rather see drilling than work detail to do it
 - John recommends calling Newfane Painters for sealing options

Glen Ethier from 5-Alarm Services

- Brought our new gas meter- O2, LEL, hydrogen cyanide, CO
- Next calibration in April (every 6 months)
 - Glen will buy calibration equipment and come to do it, WDFD help with cost
 - Easier than sending back and forth and keeps it in house
 - Note: Gary just calibrated the Scott
- Instruction book very large, Glen wrote up a one sheet with simple instructions
 - Leave instruction one-sheet with meter
 - Tim to make smaller laminated version
 - Gave demonstration
 - Exclamation point warning in upper corner upon startup
 - LEL sensor takes 4 minutes to warm up to get accurate reading and then ! goes out
 - Start up before you leave on call, Mickey recommends bringing truck outside first
 - Fresh air calibration to reset everything to 0 if been sitting in truck for long time
 - 2 alarm modes
 - Alert- can be silenced, means you're in a potentially dangerous situation so pay attention
 - Extreme alert- Cannot silence or be turned off, now you really need to be aware that you *are* in a dangerous situation
 - Digital videos emailed to Rich with good explanations
 - Uses AA batteries, recommend replace every 6 months with recalibration
 - Keep spare AA batteries & allen wrench in truck
 - Battery life will depend on amount of usage
- New product- Milwaukee telescoping battery powered LED light
 - Rechargeable, telescopes up from 4' to 7'
 - \$249
 - Glen will bring a demo
 - 3 modes- Hi (2000 lumens, 4 hour battery), Medium (1300 lum, 6 hrs), and low (850 lum, 10 hrs)
 - Good value, lots of usage, compact & light
 - Interior, Snowmobile rescue, water supply, etc

October 2016 Fire Calls

October 7- Foliage Lane – false fire alarm

October 16- Country Club Rd – lift assist

October 18 – Country Club Rd- lift assist

October 23- Old Town Rd – tree on wires

October 24- Higley Hill Rd – assist East Dover with structure fire

October 27- Route 100 – single car accident

- Kingswood Foliage Lane- toned as unit 3A, woke up resident but she said there was no alarm
 - Key holder was there, pager said 3A as well
 - Turned out was 9A
- Higley Hill structure fire, assist Wilmington
 - Good job
 - Stand pipe had bad coupler, not ours nothing we could have done about that
- Single car accident, RT 100
 - Snow storm
 - Reported as trapped, not trapped

Meeting Adjourned 5:57pm