

West Dover Fire Department  
OFFICERS MEETING  
Minutes  
Monday- Sept 12, 2016

Officers Present: John Snow, Mike Hescocock, Rich Werner, Gary Carruthers  
Also present: Recording secretary, Jeannette Eckert

Called to order at 5:05 PM

**New Business:**

July VLCT newsletter:

Municipal fireworks—need to be approved; can be purchased legally but not transported  
Fire Wardens—changes to permit restrictions—prohibits burning of wood that has been altered in any way

July Fire Rescue Magazine—article on Training with your TIC (thermal imaging camera)  
Jems article titled “Jam Packed”—Hemorrhage control

Ham Hodgeman of Stevens & Associates—wondering about dry hydrant going in at Someday; will have contractor call us when it's being installed

Postcards R Us owned by Mark Kleinfeld of Bluebrook Rd—receive a contribution for every post card he sells—averages \$30-40 every six months

Dr. Harry Carter will speak on Sept 24<sup>th</sup> at Best Western Hotel—register by Thurs the 15; sponsored by Mutual Aid

Fire prevention parades—Keene, NH on Oct 9<sup>th</sup> and Bellows Falls on Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

**Equipment:**

Specialized equipment paperwork completed by Rich

Failsafe—hose testing on November 10<sup>th</sup>

Rec'd keys from Hermitage: Inn, Carriage House, Sawmill, Snowgoose, Airport, Doveberry & Whippletree—need to be put in Knox boxes

Engine Two inventory completed as of 9/7/16

Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) orientation guide for career firemen

Michael Knight of Reynolds and Son, Fire Service Division

Sells MSA, Fire-Dex, Mercedes equipment—would like to attend an Officers meeting—email to come on Oct 11<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

Pick-up truck coming back—shut off switch; battery hook up in cab; rewired radios; new battery

Engine one—redoing pump

Truck servicing—calling Twin State to set up schedule

LTD maintenance—have not come in yet

5 Alarm Sales—gas meter—new sensor and calibration completed; new batteries also; back and ready to be used

Purchase an additional meter?

5 gas meter cost is \$1298.00

4 gas meter cost is \$892.00; \$425.00 for HCN meter  
Consensus is that we get another meter

2-In line pressure gauges in high rise packs? —cover gauge with foam packing to protect—use for drills

4 stream lights—put out by shelf; fix one on tanker; can be used with regular batteries, not just rechargeable

Nozzle is fixed—need to figure out which truck it came from

Large flag needs to be put away

### **Old Business:**

On SB agenda to discuss LP Tank Ordinance

Densmore's ponds—not this year

Mt Snow alarm system—new security people—monthly meetings to begin in November with security, lodging, events personnel

Rescue situations—Rescue personnel are following Police in to incidents now to assist the injured  
Tourniquet kits back in use; Training on these kits

Email address updates—only two left are Chris Pease and Chris Weinberg

### **Training/Drills:**

Sept 21st—ladders, chimney fires—Bill Shea

October 19th—Butterfield Common—mass casualty situation (change from Sept date) invite DVR & EDFD

Taskforce Training—Operations with Light Staffing on Oct 15-16 at WDFD—2 people have signed up

Joint training with Newbrook—RIT training--House drill—Mike H. will look into it. Rich will email

Larry Feldstein—moving to Florida but will return in the summers; left a packet of exercise programs

Rob Joslin—won a contest and can pick his own drill topic

### **Staff:**

Chris Brooks—started end of February; 6 months completed; move off probation?

On a motion by John Snow, seconded by Mike Hescocock, the Officers unanimously agreed to move Chris Brooks from probationary status

Technical Rescue group: Ben Joyce, Andy McLean, Dave Mannion, Marc Balch—move off probationary status?

On a motion by Gary Carruthers, seconded by John Snow, the Officers unanimously agreed to move the above named individuals off probationary status

Mike will contact Chris Weinburg

Payroll processed this week for August 2016

Rich in London—Oct 24<sup>th</sup>-Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Fire Dept. Recognition Dinner: Mark your calendars for Saturday, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> -- time and place TBA**

Inns are quieter just after foliage-usually no snow; not during hunting season; December can be busy with weather conditions; trying a Saturday night this year

## **August Fire Calls:**

August 1- South Access Road- car accident

August 3- Butterfield Lane- false fire alarm

August 13- Route 100- false fire alarm

August 20- Circle View Drive- false CO alarm

August 21- Grand Summit Way- electrical fire

Sam, manager—alarm was shut off, silenced before everyone got out

Need to make changes to front desk policy—figure out a command post

Ductwork, electric motor burned out sending smoke into room

Establish safe area? Evacuate the building either to Sundance or Base lodge

Staff worked very well

Couldn't hear the radios very well

Should have had more teams doing evacuations

Establish meeting place for room list

August 23- Fawn Lane- false fire alarm

Police were called because they have the code to get in

If the key holder does not show up, we will not go in, but will check perimeter

If resident wants us to get in, must have a Knox-box

August 26- Route 100- gas odor

Difficulty finding the source of the odor

Called ANR—will dig up patch and dispose of

August 27- Valley View- car accident

Occupants left the scene after accident

Rescue was cancelled

Thermal imager could have helped to locate the occupants or at least tell how many occupants

August 28- Country Club Road- lift assist

Discuss at next meeting

Responding to a call—have to stay at station until call is complete in order to get paid??

Use common sense—at each occasion—get Officer's approval before leaving but also coming in late to help out is ok too

**Adjourned at 7:30pm**

**Next Meeting- Tuesday, Oct 11th at 5pm due to Monday's Columbus Day holiday**

Respectfully submitted by Jeannette Eckert

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