



## MONTHLY TOWN FIRE MEETING

February 22, 2021



Meeting called to order at 18:30 by Chief Kyle Estes

### Proposal for Evaluation of Fire Protection.

- In a special town meeting it was approved to move ahead with hiring consultant for fire protection evaluation.
- Selectmen have still not acted on this approval by returning signed proposal to consultants.

### Annual Mandatory Processes

- Those planning to use SCBA equipment received a medical evaluation. Actual “fit testing” will be done during mandatory training, since the equipment needed to be recalibrated.

### Equipment

- The sensor on the gas detector had moisture in it. We have ordered a new gas meter from [Industrial Protective Services](#) (IPS). Will be maintained on engine 1.
- IPS will also fulfill equipment procurement identified in the forestry grant.
- Fire extinguishers inspected and changed out if needed on February 24<sup>th</sup>.
- [Industrial Inspection and Analysis](#) (FNA Fail Safe) provided the following quote:

Description	Quantity	Rate	Amount
Heat Sensor label	1	2.50	2.50
Fire hose test	8235 ft	.32	2,635.20
Ladder test	8.00	45.00	360.00
		Total	2,997.70

- Hose testing has been completed. We will have IIA complete ladder and heat sensor testing this year.
- Batteries have been replaced in SCBA equipment in station 2.
- Turnout gear, radios and pagers to be checked during mandatory training.
- Recommendation is being made to switch Engine 5 and Engine 1.
  - Engine 5-> Station 1.
  - Engine 1 -> Station 2.
  - Would require electrical switching and careful review of all electrical connections. Steve Thorne and Owen Sprague will head up.
  - Will swap extrication equipment to Engine 5.
  - Go ahead approved unless there is a problem with getting the needed equipment on Engine 5.

- We are moving away from equipment permanently assigned to a station. Instead will placement of equipment will be based on optimization of fire protection operations.

### **Record management**

- Respirator Osha Information sheet and forms completed for members planning on using SCBA equipment.

### **Training**

- Drivers training to be completed Saturday.

### **Personnel**

- Discussion on combining 3 captain positions into a Town Captain. All truck checks, run sheets, equipment checks and station checks to be done by one individual. Currently we only have 2 captain positions officially filled. Would combine compensation from 3 positions into the one (\$1,500). There was general support for recommendation by members. Will need to go through town approval process for position changes.

### **Special Events**

None discussed during this meeting.

### **Operations (calls, SOPs, etc.)**

- Still trying to contact DEP on dredge work for Quaker Brook stand pipe.
- Need to do work this summer on the stand pipe for Woods Mill.
- Safety Grant coming up. Tom Caron will fill out application. Cones, traffic vests and rollup road closed sign.
- Will ask dispatch to only do may day testing at 9:00 with radio check at 18:00 rotation.

Next meeting at 6:30 on March 29th, 2021 at the Baldwin Community Center.