



MONTHLY TOWN FIRE MEETING

September 6, 2021



Meeting called to order at 19:04 by Chief Bruce Crawford

Note: Due to the opportunity for Life Flight training on Monday August 30th, the meeting for August was rescheduled for September 6th.

July minutes were not ready for review. Meeting minutes for July and August will be reviewed at the September meeting.

Annual Mandatory Processes

- N/A

Equipment

- Tank 2 not working. The RPM keeps racing.
- Engine 4 still not working.
- Cornish on standby while above is out of service.
- Discussion on AED units. There are currently 4 on trucks, plus 1 in town office. Need to have scissors and other support tools with the AED units.

Infrastructure Maintenance

- Received update on fire protection study. Reviewed sample study for Harpswell Fire Department. Passed out proposal draft for Baldwin study. Discussed any ideas of clarifications and changes. Mentioned review of call box, run efficiency.
- Reviewed Cumberland County Site and Radio Channel infrastructure. This was information only.
- Station 2 oil tank needs to be replaced. It is a hazard due to broken leg.

Record management

- N/A

Training

- Have scheduled CPR/First Aide recertification training from 9 – 12 on September 18th.
- Training with Hiram FD was canceled due to lack of available personal.
- Proposed pumper and tanker training for Saturday morning October 23rd.

Personnel

- Discussed possibility of scheduling responses based on availability. Currently operating on a “all hands on deck approach”. This means we don’t know how many might respond, who will respond, what type of coverage we will have. This could affect our decision on calling mutual aide, who will be in command, etc. Suggestion is having an availability schedule (i. e. Frank is around during the day Monday and Thursday).

- Discussion on firefighters getting money for training but not completing training or continuing active participation in department.
- One of the members expressed interested in getting firefighter 1 certification.

Special Events

- Baldwin community auxiliary is planning yard sale for September 18 – 19th. We will see we can help with teardown and setup.

Operations (calls, SOPs, etc.)

- Discussed access in and around solar site at former Maietta pit.

Motion to adjourn 20:31.

Next meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2021, Location Baldwin Community Center at 18:30.

Press Release
For Immediate Release

Officials for the Town of Baldwin are pleased to announce that they have been awarded a Safety Enhancement Grant by the Maine Municipal Association Workers Compensation Fund in the amount of **\$2,000**.

The Ed MacDonald Safety Enhancement Grants and Scholarship Grants provide financial assistance to members of the MMA Workers Compensation Fund to purchase safety equipment or services to assist in reducing the frequency and severity of workplace injuries. The grant programs are designed to prevent injuries and improve workplace safety our Maine employees. The reduction in employee injuries also benefits the taxpayers by lessening lost hours at work, cost of claims and potential overtime expenses for employees who might have to fill in for injured co-workers.

The Maine Municipal Association has been awarding Safety Grants to members of the Workers' Compensation fund since 1999. The Ed MacDonald Safety Enhancement Grants and Scholarships are an example of a successful partnership that has been preventing workplace injuries by bestowing more than ***\$5.4 million*** in the funding of ***4,165*** Safety Enhancement Grants and ***493*** Scholarship Grants. Together we are building safe communities.

For more information about Maine Municipal Association Risk Management Service programs, including Safety Enhancement Grant eligibility and applications, please visit