

MONTHLY TOWN FIRE MEETING

September 27, 2021



Meeting called to order at 16:33 by Chief Bruce Crawford

July and August minutes were read and approved.

Annual Mandatory Processes

N/A

Equipment

- Engine 4 is now back. Switches have been replaced in electronic components. Hopefully it is working.
- Tank 2 currently still out for service. Will need to drop transmission to services switches. Projected to be back in service this week.
- Fitting for 6" on engine 1 is now in. Water level gauge on Engine 1 is fixed.
- Recommend Squad 3 tank valve and pump packing, once all other equipment is back in service

Infrastructure Maintenance

- Propane tanks at Station 1 to be moved and barricades put in place.
- Discussion on heat in Station 1. Recommendation approved to acquire direct vent propane heater.
- Station 1 meeting room needs floor replacement. Tabled decision to December to account for available end of year capital.
- Oil tank at Station 2 is fairly new. Just need to bend leg back.
- Will investigate tower work on Station 3 on Oct 2 at 8:00 AM.
- Information sharing on study. Still working on contract negotiation with Neil Courtney, along with Port City. Selection was made from 3 sources. Could be 2 parts to the study (December and April). First part is the overall study, with a final study with Port City for structural recommendations.

Record management

• N/A

Training

- CPR Training was really great. Positive reviews from everyone. Plan is follow-up on First Aide sometime in November.
- Moving forward for 23^{rd} training from 8 12 as noted in last month's minutes.

Personnel

• Accepted membership of Kevin Crawford.

• Next 2 meetings pictures will be taken for 2022-23 member ids.

Special Events

• Auxiliary is still planning a supper on October 23rd at 5:00 PM. Auxiliary will provide supper and fire department dessert.

Operations (calls, SOPs, etc.)

- Continued discussion on scenarios with Solar site at former Maietas. Should call number at gate for in site fire. However what is the plan behind the solar site if woods is affected. Owen to reach out to the safety department for a training walkthrough.
- Need to be more aware of moving vehicles out of the way as soon as possible to minimize traffic control.
- Discussion on backwoods access using ATV, UTV and Snowmobile. Current policy is leverage capabilities of surrounding towns. Might have different recommendation from study

Motion to adjourn 20:12.

Next meeting is scheduled for October 25, 2021, Location Baldwin Community Center at 18:30.

Press Release For Immediate Release

Officials for the <u>Town of Baldwin</u> 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.

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