



MONTHLY TOWN FIRE MEETING

December 4th, 2021



Note: Combined meetings for November and December. A holiday supper was enjoyed prior to the meeting.

Meeting called to order at 17:41 by Chief Bruce Crawford
October 2021 meeting minutes read and approved.

Annual Mandatory Processes

- N/A

Equipment

- Discussion on a deck gun on engine 4. There is an issue with height of truck with desk gun on top, getting into the station.
- Plans to order gear, radios, etc. won't be ordered in time for 2021 operating budget.
- Still waiting on service for furnaces.
- Still waiting on foam stick order.
- American Rescue Plan Act funds (\$80,000) are in an account and have not been spent. Recommend funds to be used for radios.
- Discussion on a specific vehicle to be used for traffic control. Discussion tabled awaiting result of the fire protection study.
- Discussion on traffic management equipment kept on different trucks and different ends of town.

Infrastructure Maintenance

- Received quote of \$25,000 to move equipment from platform on tower down to base building and just leave the antennae and cable up top.
- Initial survey as part of fire protection study completed for all 3 stations. Identify many issues with each station.
- Discussion on having the [Maine Municipal Association](#) research legal issues with all 3 stations.
- Water sources during dry season continue to be an issue.

Record management

- Discussion on reorganizing budget since some categories were more aligned with prior association operating budgets. Need to consider a more centralized budget that recognizes sub-categories that might be specific to management of the stations. Cheryl to work with Bruce on organization.

Training

- First Aide training planned for 22nd or 29th of January.

- As a result of a regional chief's meeting in Cornish, there will be a push for more combined training. January 9th will be forced entry training at Cornish station.

Personnel

- The ad campaign to recruit new members had resulted in a couple of inquiries, but no active applications. Will try again in April.
- Researching getting Steve Sanders enrolled for Fire Fighter I & II.

Special Events

- N/A

Operations (calls, SOPs, etc.)

- With winter coming on we are reminded to circulate pumps and to drive carefully.
- To ensure protection in Baldwin, be sure to only bring equipment requested for out of town calls.

Special Note: Kezar Falls redemption center manages an account for Baldwin Fire Department.

Motion to adjourn 18:56. Next meeting is scheduled for January 31, 2022, Location Baldwin Community Center at 18:30