



MONTHLY TOWN FIRE MEETING

December 3, 2018



Meeting called to order at 18:31 by Chief Jason Brown.

	<i>East Baldwin</i>	<i>North Baldwin</i>	<i>West Baldwin</i>
<i>Budget</i>	\$14,268.35	\$6,207.87	\$14,967.00
<i>Reserve</i>			
<i>Association</i>	\$2,728.68	\$3,693.09	

The minutes from October 2018 were distributed and accepted.

Old Business

- Station captains are responsible for creating and maintaining lists of truck inventory to be kept in the cab.
- Turkey shoot cancelled because of insufficient volunteers. Lots of interest has been expressed. Next year will start planning at September meeting.
- During hose testing 400' of LDH failed. Replacement hose ordered, couplings will be transferred to the new hose.
- House trailer needs to be moved for burn. Will reschedule controlled burn to spring 2019.

East Baldwin

- Work has been completed on the station. Rolling stock and equipment has been returned to the station.
- Extrication equipment will remain on squad truck in station 3.

North Baldwin

- Pump needs to be moved to new forestry 5.
- Hale water pump is now working. Need work day to install on Forestry 5.
- Engine 5 is out of service. Draft in shallow pond, caused \$15,000 damage. Need to be sure that at least 3' of clear water under floating strainer. Should be back in service Friday.

West Baldwin

- No progress made on state truck, due to other priorities and high call volume past couple of months.
- Need to pack hose from last fire.

New Business

- With cold weather need to be sure we are circulating water in pump to prevent freezing, when not pumping.
 - Tank to pump
 - Pump to tank, do this quickly to keep from overheating pump.
- Chains are now on trucks. Can be lowered from steering column. Need to lower as you are moving forward. Discussion on situations for managing chain usage. Need to use chains even if slows response times when conditions are slippery.
- Reminder to put everything back in service after call. Hose pack, air bottles, fuel in tanks, etc. General guideline that fuel tanks do not necessarily need to be topped off when above $\frac{3}{4}$. Be aware that tanks are small and fill nozzle fully extended into tank will leave a large unfilled space at top of tank.
- Structure fire Hiram. Large fires always provide areas for improvement with many organizations to coordinate. We did our job. We had a good turnout. Make sure we minimize PVs at fire grounds and accident scenes. Try to ride into scene with fire equipment. If you miss a truck, then try to share a vehicle.
- Structure fire Limington. Structure fire on Thanksgiving Day. Good save. Baldwin had the best response for manpower, even considering it was an out of town call.
- FF1 and FF2 are available in Westbrook for first quarter 2019. Please see chief if interested.
- Need to schedule First Aid and CPR for first quarter 2019. This will be mandatory training for all members.
- Check on blankets on truck. Blankets can be obtained from rescue at Steep Falls station.

East Baldwin

- N/A

North Baldwin

- Still need to move pump from old Forestry over to new Forestry 5.

West Baldwin

- Took time to recognize Kyle Estes for his service and dedication as Fire Warden. This is a volunteer position not covered by compensation by the town.
- Need to get trucks in West Baldwin hooked up for air. Distribution of air in place in ceiling just need hookups to trucks. Recent calls found the engine brake locked due to insufficient air pressure.

Meeting adjourned at 19:26 PM.

Have a Merry and Safe Christmas

Next meeting at Baldwin Community Center on last Monday in January 28, 2018 at 6:30 PM.