



TOWN OF VERNON

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STAFF MEETING MINUTES

February 2, 2015

Chiefs: Call, Eppler
 Captains: Andresen, Lucas, Muniz, Shepard, Tautic
 Lieutenants: J. Pearson, St. John
 Ambulance: Marth
 Communications: Fisher
 Fleet Mgmt: Westcott
 Special Members: Carpenter, Galley

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The meeting was called to order @ 19:05 by Chief, William Call. Motion was made/seconded (Galley/Westcott) to accept the minutes from the January 5, 2015 meeting.

TRAINING REPORT:

- Training Committee Report from 1/15/15 is attached. February 26th will be the next meeting.
- Operations and Training Report for February is attached.
- February Drill Schedule is attached.
- Captains are reminded to discuss with their members the Billy Goldfeder presentation on 2/19 6:30-9:30, @ Ellington High School. Contact A/C Eppler with any questions. 2/16/15 is the deadline.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT:

- Awards for 2014 Banquet - Any suggestions for awards should be submitted prior to Feb 15.

Reminder:

- Service awards should be submitted to AC Landry or Capt. Lucas
- EMT submitted to Capt. Gauthier
- FF, Officer, and JR FF should be submitted to Chief Call
- Membership personal information forms due back March staff meeting. Mark any changes and return to A/C Landry for input.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Capt. Tony Muniz off 30 day LOA as of Jan 25.
- **Transfer/ Company Assignments**
Octavio Tabby Muniz (E441 to T541)

Nicholas Bartos (Jr to ET141) still needs Basic Recruit – Support Only

Jaron Cain (Training to ET341) still needs Interior SCBA

Matthew Lattimer (Training to E441) still needs Interior SCBA

Michael McLain (Training to ET441) still needs Basic Recruit – Support Only

Alison Robinson (Training to ET141) still needs Interior SCBA

Sheila Taridona (Training to ET241) still needs Interior SCBA

Company Capt should contact new members this week to welcome them. Contact info is in FH Software.

Leave of Absence:

Chris Oliver – 4 month leave personal

Larry Carter – 6 month leave for personal

HEALTH & SAFETY: No Report.

FIRE MARSHAL: See attached.

- Some water mains are being replaced, additional hydrants will be installed.

EMD: See attached.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Company inventory of pagers was to be submitted tonight. Only two companies have responded. This information must be returned to Jack by the March Staff Meeting.
- Rechargeable batteries must be used for pager recharging.

FLEET MGMT:

- Ladder testing completed. There are three ground ladders out of service. Don will repair.
 - T541 has class two defects. Control problems.
 - T141 has a hydraulic leak.
 - Certification sheets need to be signed after repairs are made.
- ET-341 generator awaiting part.
- Captains are asked to make sure that tire pressures are checked during truck checks.

TECHNOLOGY:

- Two new PC's were received this month. They've been assigned to HSO and ET-141.
- R. Tautic ID has been fixed.
- Station 241 new UPS installed.
- Printers are old and should be considered for replacement in the next budget.
- Firehouse Cad import takes very long. Calls need to be cleared @ TN.

CENTRAL SUPPLY/UNIFORMS:

- Lifetime and Retiree hardware has been ordered.

SCBA:

- Sheets need to be turned in.
- He has received 10 new bottles. Tags are needed.
- Scott needs to review masks.

- A report by company was asked to show who needs physicals. The HSO will be asked to produce. Physicals are mandated for fit testing.
If you used your own MD, there is a department form that must be completed by the doctor.

- Capital Improvement for bottle replacement is requested @ \$12,000 for 15 bottles.

CHAPLAIN: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Good job to all attending the recent fire. A good stop was made. There was hydrant confusion, and a reminder for members to know where hydrants are located.

- LOSAP meeting with the Mayor will be held soon. Dick Bowman, Jack Fisher and Dave Galley will be meeting to discuss the proposal. Hopefully by the March Dept. Meeting an answer will be available.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Station upgrades were discussed:
 - Floors at Station 541, quotes are needed from three vendors.
 - Air Conditioning for Station 141.

- Budget Meeting was held. The mayor is looking for a zero increase budget. Additional funds have been requested for payroll, uniforms, food account, and tablet program, air cards.

- 2014 Annual Report is needed from: Training A/C, Administration A/C, HSO, Ambulance, Central Supply, Communications, Fleet Mgmt., Fire Marshal, OEM, IT, Junior Company, SCBA, Uniforms, and Inventory. Due to Diane (carpenterdiane87@gmail.com) by last week of February.

- Ready Set School Fair – R-141 will attend.
- Knox Box Locations – Report is being provided to A/C Eppler. It will be loaded to the shared drive.
- Rocky's Hardware List approved purchasers is attached.
- Busky Family Benefit Pasta Dinner – 3/14/15 from 5-8:00 @ the Ellington Senior Center, 40 Maple Street, Ellington. See information attached.
- There is a 55 gallon drum of car wash soap stored at the Ambulance building. Bring a container to pump into.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- R-441/ET-541 80's Dance this Saturday at the TKB Club on 1 Vernon Ave. Begins @ 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Contact any member from ET-541 or R-441 for tickets.
- Annual Banquet – April 11 @ A Villa Louisa in Bolton.
- Comedy Show Fundraiser – May 1 @ the TKB Club.

GOOD & WELL BEING:

Motion was made/seconded (Eppler/Lucas) to adjourn the meeting @ 20:25

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Carpenter, Secretary