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**Department Meeting Minutes**

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June 1, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:26 p.m. by Fire Chief William Call. Motion was made/seconded (Shepard/McKinney) to accept the minutes from the January 31, 2011 Meeting.

***Training Report:***

- 14 applications have been submitted for CT Fire Academy Fire School in June.
- LAH Funds for 2011/2012 cycle have been spent. There is no status available for future funding.
- There is interest from 8-9 members for another 2Q Driver Training class. It will begin in the August timeframe.
- Discussion held regarding CPR Refreshers/Healthcare Provider Refresher that needs to be taken on either July 11 or August 8<sup>th</sup>. Please email A/C Eppler if members need to attend this course.
- Target Safety - Affirmative Action review needs to be completed by all members by the Staff Meeting.
- Logon I.D's for new members should be ready next week.
- A session for Captains regarding company reporting on Firehouse Software may be available following the Staff Meeting if there is need.
- Fireworks Operation plan for the 6/30 event will be discussed at the Staff Meeting.

***Administration Report:*** None

***Health & Safety Report:*** None

***Uniform Committee Report:***

- Brian Johnston reported that Lieutenant Hardware has been ordered. Captains need to provide a count of their members needs for badges/pins.
- Chief Call discussed the intent to have the department totally outfitted for members who are active with one year of service. Captains are asked to monitor.

***Board of Firefighters:***

- Chief Call has requested the Board of Firefighters to meet to review By-Law changes that need to be completed.

***Old Business:***

- An ordinance regarding snow removal (fines) for those not clearing hydrants is being pursued. In July 550 spring whips for hydrants will be purchased. It is hoped the Ct. Water Company will attach. These markings will be used all year round.
- Tabby Muniz is working on geo-coding for hydrant locations for Android cell phones. It is also hoped this technology will become available for the apparatus.
- Station repairs from snow damage is still pending arrival of the check. Plymovents will first repairs to be completed.
- Chief Call reiterated the support that Mayor McCoy extends to this department. He discussed several initiatives that have been approved for the department. The following have been approved and are being pursued:
  - 20 Increase in our Budget
  - New Fire Trucks - \$1.5mm
  - Increase in Uniform funding
  - Increase in Training funding
  - New equipment increase
  - 4 Thermal Imaging Cameras

***New Business:***

- Chief Call will be meeting with John Ward on 6/2 to discuss the acquisition of new equipment.
- AED's for the Ambulances have been received.
- Turnout gear -- 60 sets -- specs reviewed. Coats may be upgraded with snaps on back for names.

- Discussion was held regarding loss of Firehouse Software on weekends and holidays. Paper logs are needed to capture incidents. Dave Galley will place the logs on the shared drive.
- A backup server is hoped to be pursued. This is Town I.T. responsibility and not within our control. Chief Call with discuss server issues and I.T. resources to assist fire department needs with John Ward.

**Correspondence:** None

**Good & Welfare:**

- We have received favorable comments regarding our response to the McDonald's fire.

Motion was made/seconded (Goric/Lavoie) to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane Carpenter". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Diane Carpenter, Secretary