

Fire Commissioners Meeting
February 12, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.
976 Main Street, Freedom Hall, Cotuit, Massachusetts



Called to order at 5:30

Recording: Amy Kates is recording

Public Comment: N/A

Present: Commissioner's Rick Pisano, Kevin Conley, and Fire Chief, Paul Rhude

Absent: Adam Zais

Minutes: January 14 minutes previously reviewed, motion to approve minutes as presented, second, all in favor

Chief Report

Monthly Activities:

- (please see attachment A)

Administration:

- Currently working on software to improve purchasing and bill processing
- Reviewed mutual aid report to Mashpee. Past two months (due to Mashpee ambulances being out of service) number of mutual aid calls have increased. Commissioner Conley suggested meeting with the Town Manager again, show him the info we have, share options they had to solve their problem and to discuss what the future would look like if this situation doesn't correct itself. Commissioner Pisano hopes to have this clarified by the March meeting.
- Chief and Lt. McNamara met with USCG on the 11th regarding trying to coordinate a communication plan. Chief Harper offered to come into the station and help us with our program and that we are all communicating the same way and up on SOP's. Will also focus more on training and go to Crew training class and S&R with the CG. Commissioner Conley asked how many FF will be going, Chief responded will see how many interested in going, and need to discuss the budget (class cost is over \$4000 pp plus overtime). Commissioners supported three FF going to the class, will review again at March meeting.
- Reviewed current IOD status and budgets, and possible transfer of funds

Training:

- Have two interns from Mashpee High School
- FF had vehicle extrication last week-new FF got to use CFD equipment
- Two FF went to Maine for ice rescue training- had ice rescue with CFD (rescue equipment, dry suits)- would like to have a rescue snare/stick for animal rescues
- Next month planning on using 56 High with smoke and victim rescue from second floor-Chief will provide the date.

Pro EMS report:

See Attachment B

Personnel:

- 3 current IOD's. Two have given letters-physical needs to be completed by District doctor-good chance two of the FF will return by the end of the month. Third one being seen on the 28th and possible be cleared. One FF may be leaving for another department

Apparatus:

- Boat is inside the bay. Lt McNamara working on it.
- Brush breaker-just received new tires. Waiting for quote about corrosion, plan on using end of year money if available, or wait until next year.

Commissioner Pisano asked to revert to ProEMS report and the ratings. Discussed one particular call and the ratings.

- Capital request: replacing 261 (Chiefs vehicle) and a Deputy Fire Chief, plus another vehicle for the Deputy. Discussed pricing from Liberty Chevrolet and options. Vehicles will be an article at the town meeting. Deputy Chief will be in the budget proposal.
- State is buying the station new radios-switching to digital system
- Chief will prepare a budget for the next meeting with the two vehicles
- Will need to bring Commissioner Zais up to speed before the next meeting

Facilities:

- Chief is working on the floor plans for the station
- Commissioner Conley asked about the door locks and security, Chief will move this up on the list to get completed

Old Business

- Discussed half year projected budget

New Business: N/A

Motion made to adjourn, second, all in favor



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To: Cotuit Fire Commissioners

From Chief Paul Rhude

Re: 02/13/20 Fire Commissioners Feb Meeting

Responses (Jan)

81 Total responses
2 Fires (Controlled Burn wet down & Mashpee Fire)
1 Hazardous condition (Cahoon Museum Furnace Malfunction)
57 Medical
21 Service/Good Intent/False Alarm

Administration

Working on system/software to improve purchasing/bill processing
Mashpee Mutual Aid Report
Dec 9 MFD announced will be down to 2 Ambulances until mid-May
Dec 9-12 - 1 Ambulance in service
Jan 13-Feb 3 - 1 Ambulance in service
USCG Meeting 2/11/20
Mashpee Interns

Training

Ice Training
Vehicle Extrication

ProEMS

Dec report Attached

Personnel

Firefighters IOD

Apparatus

Capital Request Chief/Deputy Car

Facilities

Station Renovation Status

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Incident Type Report (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {01/01/2020} And
{01/31/2020}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
1 Fire				
111 Building fire	1	1.23%	\$58,000	100.00%
142 Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	1	1.23%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>2</u>	<u>2.47%</u>	<u>\$58,000</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
2 Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat(no fire)				
251 Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	1	1.23%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>1</u>	<u>1.23%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
321 EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	55	67.90%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	2	2.47%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>57</u>	<u>70.37%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
5 Service Call				
521 Water evacuation	1	1.23%	\$0	0.00%
553 Public service	4	4.94%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>5</u>	<u>6.17%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
6 Good Intent Call				
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	1	1.23%	\$0	0.00%
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch address	3	3.70%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>4</u>	<u>4.94%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
7 False Alarm & False Call				
733 Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1	1.23%	\$0	0.00%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	2	2.47%	\$0	0.00%
736 CO detector activation due to malfunction	2	2.47%	\$0	0.00%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other	2	2.47%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	1	6.17%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>12</u>	<u>14.81%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>

Total Incident Count: 81

Total Est Loss: \$58,000