

Newington Fire & Rescue Department

Board of Fire Engineers

Monthly Meeting: December 5, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers was called to order at 1205 hrs by Chairman Jim Fabrizio. Engineer Jack O'Reilly was in attendance. Chief Sabine and Assistant Chief Hoyt represented the department.

Public Comment: None

Prior Month's Minutes: Engineer O'Reilly made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of November 7, 2018. Chairman Fabrizio seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Chief's Monthly Report: Engineer O'Reilly made a motion to accept the Chief's report as written for November. Chairman Fabrizio seconded. Motion carried. 2-0

Old Business:

Budget 2019 –

The BOFE reviewed the Board of Selectmen's proposed budget for our department that was submitted to the Budget Committee. The BOS budget defunded the department's Legal Expense line; and reduced funding to the Vehicle Maintenance, SCBA, Engineers OP Fund, and Public Education budget lines. Both Chairman Fabrizio and Engineer O'Reilly said they were attending the Budget Committee meeting 12/5/18 @ 730 pm.

SCBA purchase – Chief Sabine informed the board that the Board of Selectmen have approved the purchase of new air packs for the department for January 1, 2019. An initial outlay of \$20,000 (twenty thousand dollars) will be funded out of capital reserve. The remaining balance will be paid using a 7-year lease agreement.

Ladder Truck- Newington's new platform truck is still being worked on. The basket needs to be mounted and the lights switched over.

New Business:

Vehicle Maintenance- Chief Sabine outline repairs needed to apparatus. Command Car 2 (sedan) needs exhaust manifolds replaced. Command Car 1 (Suburban) needs airbag sensor replaced.

Town Newsletter and Facebook and Department Website – Engineer O'Reilly asked Chief Sabine to introduce new members of the department to the community and participate in publicizing the department across multiple platforms.

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Chief's Comments: Chief Sabine discussed the increase in boat calls and complimented the department on the responses to the calls.

Purchase Orders: Signed.

Good of the Order: None

Non- Public Session: None

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 1245 by Chairman Fabrizio. Seconded by Engineer O'Reilly.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Mu