

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Fire Engineers Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2024 1700hrs

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 1700hrs by Chairman John Klanchesser.

ATTENDANCE:

Chairman John Klanchesser, Engineer Ann Hebert, Engineer Jim Fabrizio, Chief E.J. Hoyt and Administrative Assistant Crystal Ruhland.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

MINUTES:

Engineer Fabrizio made a motion to accept minutes from July 10, 2024 meeting. Engineer Hebert seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Hebert -Yes. Fabrizio - Yes. Klanchesser -Yes.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chairman Klanchesser made a motion to accept Chief's Report for July. Engineer Hebert seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Klanchesser -Yes. Hebert- Yes. Fabrizio-Yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Apparatus:

- Marine 1 – Went out for annual service. Prop was dinged and driveshaft needs to be straightened. Will be repaired in the off season.
- Vehicle Inspections are due in September.

2024 Budget:

- 2024 YTD Salary & OT: \$165,849.47; Overtime (\$82,853.75); Total (\$82,995.72).
- 2024 Part-time OT YTD \$930.18
- 2024 Revenue YTD = \$161,847.76

Grants:

- Federal DOJ – Tree work has been completed. Equipment has started arriving to 2-Way.
- FEMA Audit for AFG21, SCBA Compressor was completed with no issues.

Staffing:

- July:
 - FT needed 7 times to cover the 3rd position shift.
- August:
 - FT will be needed 8 times to cover the 3rd position.
- Hiring – One resident is interested but they currently have no certifications.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Station Study:
 - Painting of yellow and white lines has been completed.
 - Bob Champaign took photos and we are waiting on the final report.
 - Washing Machine and Dryer have been replaced.
 - The Station had two bee infestations which have been remedied.
 - Trees on Nimble Hill Road will be trimmed to allow for better sight line when pulling out.
- Budget:
 - Board of Selectmen has requested budgets for 2025.
 - Initial numbers are requested for October 22nd, however, Dental, Healthcare and COLA cost are not expected until approximately October 25th.
- Misc:
 - Station returned six 5-gallon containers of old AFFF Foam to the state.
 - Extensive discussion was had regarding IT RFP.
 - Request to change the start time of future 2024 BOFE Meetings to 1630. Engineer Hebert made a motion to approve. Engineer Fabrizio seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Hebert – Yes. Fabrizio – Yes. Klanchesser – Yes.

PAYROLL:

Signed.

PURCHASE ORDERS:

Signed.

The Board Voted to adjourn at 1751; Motion by Chairman Klanchesser. Second by Engineer Fabrizio. Third by Engineer Hebert. 3-0.