

Meeting Minutes, November 2nd, 2015, 7pm

Greenfield Fire Department

P.O. Box 146, Greenfield, NH 03047

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00pm

2. ATTENDANCE: Present: D. Adams, Lt. Babb, C. Borden, Cpt. Borden, K. Clark, Z. Davis, K. Dubey, Lt. Duval, J. Duval, Chief Hall, B. Hesseltine, Dpty. LaCourse, Cpt. Lange, D. Martin, J. Murphy, C. Robidoux, D. Simmons, A. Voglino. Absent: Chad Murray, Cpt. Patterson. Excused: D. Batty, D. Decosta-Gallo, D. Jones, M. Maguire,.

3. VISITORS: Karen Day and Diane Boilard

4. NEW APPLICANTS: none

5. SECRETARY'S REPORT: Oct meeting minutes were emailed. Cpt. Borden made a motion to accept the minutes as emailed. Lt. Babb 2nd the motion. Members voted yes to accept the minutes.

6. APPARATUS REPORTS:

- 13 Rescue 1: In Service: Step has not been repaired at this point.
- 13 Engine 2: In Service: Bottom syphon strainer has been ordered.
- 13 Engine 3: In Service: Gas cap is hard to get on and off. Motto will take care of it.
- 13 Tanker 1: In Service: Still has a leak.
- 13 Brush 1: In Service:
- 13 Utility 1: In Service:
- 13 Boat 1: In Service:

7. DRILLS, MEETINGS AND TRAININGS:

- Rescue Drill: Tuesday, Nov. 10th, 7pm. Location: GFD. Weather permitting, we will be doing an extrication from heights. Prepare to be on the roof! We will invite Bennington to join us.
- Fire Drill: Tuesday, Nov. 17th, 7pm, Location: GFD. Chimney fire practice. Will be on ladders and on the roof.
- Truck Checks: Canceled for Wed. Nov. 25th. The Chief will have the truck crew list ready within the week.
- Next Business Meeting: Monday, December 7th, 7pm, at GFD.
- Other Training Opportunities:
- New Temsis training. Jim Murphy will forward email to the Chief and Cpt. Lange.
- Cpt. Borden went to a solar panel firefighting training and he will be doing a training on this as soon as he gets the materials in.
- Nov. 12th at MCH there will be a workshop on street drugs presented by Officer Quigley Sr.

8. OLD BUSINESS:

- Sunday Morning Church at GFD 9am-11am: Ongoing: This is open to all members who can attend. No fixed agenda . . . we clean, fix, build, repair or train as needed.
- ID Cards: Any update? Almost done. Still working on wallet cards. Thank you Karen Day for helping us with these!
- Burn Building Committee: No updates at this time. The Chief will be meeting with Josh Cilley.
- Grant Writing: Doug sent an email stating that in Oct. a total of 2 grants were reviewed. One was

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declined and the other grant needs further information which Doug will be working on. He will be meeting with the Selectmen to get their support in the grant process.

- Fire Prevention Presentation at the Library: Was held on Thursday, Oct. 8th at 7pm. Cpt. Borden did the presentation and though only five residents were in attendance, the presentation went well.
- GFA Murder Mystery Dinner Fundraiser Update: On Sat. Oct. 17th, GFA held a fundraising Dinner and Murder Mystery Show. All 100 tickets were sold and the Association had rave reviews on the dinner and show. CMRC donated the salad, BC Harris Center donated the dessert, Plow Share Farm donated the homemade dinner rolls, the Bordens donated the homemade meatballs. The Association received gift cards from the following: Shaw's in Peterborough and Milford, Walmart in Amherst and Rindge, Target in Keene and Amherst and Market Basket. We were able to purchase the all other food items needed for the dinner, as well as the candy and snacks to give out for Trick or Treaters and hot cocoa for our upcoming Wreath sales at the end of Nov. The Association thanks everyone who helped that night: Servers: Jenna, Jeremy, Josiah, Jessica, Joanna & Jonathan Adams, James Adams, Aaron Spear. Special thanks to Emma Stevenson for her help setting up! As well as members of the Association and Fire Department for serving, setting up and cleaning up. We are particularly thankful to Bruce Dodge and Paul Dugan for writing and directing the show! The show participants, Jarvis & Dorene Adams, Steve Atherton, Christine Borden, Linda Dodge, Kristine Hall, Aaron Kullgren, Alex Lange, Paul Dugan and Sean Sweeney were the highlight of the evening, if I do say so myself! We are all looking forward to doing this again in the future!
- Halloween Update: The Association decorated the Fire Station for the Trick or Treaters and passed out candy, had games for the kids to play, as well as some refreshments. The overall turnout was great and the kids and adults costumes were awesome! It was great to visit with residents and have everyone come to the station during the Trick or Treating festivities. Looking forward to next year!
- G.E.S. and Wonderworks Daycare Fire Prevention Month visit: Was scheduled for Friday, Oct. 23rd, 9am. The visits went well and the kids got to see how a firefighter, gets into their gear and what they look like when all their gear is on, as well as what it sounds like when they are breathing through the breathing apparatus they wear. It sounds like Darth Vader! The kids were encouraged not to be afraid of them, as they are there to help get them to safety!
- Christmas Party: GFD & GFA: Scheduled for Sat., Dec. 12th, 6pm at the Meeting House. Please let Dorene know if you will be attending. We need a head count.
- Smokey Costume: No update. Grants not awarded until the end of December. Dorene will let you know if we got it or not.
- David asked how the Crotched Mtn. water situation was coming along? Cpt. Borden explained that they are in the process of putting together hydrant bags with the correct fittings and he will be getting a diagram from CMRC. They will make sure the fittings are the correct size and when they are all set, they will hold a training to practice with these hydrants. The department is very thankful that CMRC is providing this opportunity for them to have access to the water towers in the case of an emergency.
- Fuel: CMRC has agreed to sell fuel to the Department, for use in the apparatus, since we no longer

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have a gas station in town. This will be a tremendous help to the department and we are thankful for their generosity in this situation.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- The Chief received donations from two residents with notes that thanked the department for all they do for the town. He gave them to the Association Treasurer, Chris Borden.
- The Cascade Compressor was serviced and is in good condition. It was recommended to run it for 15 minutes each month if it has not been used.
- Five new pagers have been delivered and the Chief passed the out to the members who were to receive them. The Chief reminded everyone that these batteries can last up to 3-4 days if you only have the setting on our frequency. If you have it on the open frequency, it will not last as long. They recharge very quickly. Do not put them on the charger until they need charging, as it will shorten the life of the battery.
- Cpt. Lange had a few items to share with everyone that will be used on the Rescue vehicle. A new type of glucometer, of which he gave a demo. New quick clot bandages to be used when you have a gushing wound, as the powder is no longer in protocol. A new type of combi tube which will be easier to insert into an airway and a new blood pressure unit that does not have a valve. It comes in a kit with a sm. Adult, lg. adult, child and thigh cuff. He will be holding a training for all of the above.
- Thank you to Karen Day and Diane Boilard for dinner! It was great.

10. CHIEF'S & OFFICER'S REPORTS:

11. Dinner volunteers for December: Chief Hall.

12. MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted,
Dorene Adams