

Meeting Minutes, July 6th, 2015

Greenfield Fire Department

P.O. Box 146, Greenfield, NH 03047

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:15pm**
2. **ATTENDANCE:** Present: D. Adams, Lt. Babb, C. Borden, Cpt. Borden, Z. Davis, D. Decosta-Gallo, Lt. Duval, J. Duval, Chief Hall, Deputy LaCourse, Cpt. Lange, Warden Morris, C. Murray, Cpt. Patterson, Lt. Rychwa, D. Simmons. Absent: D. Andrews, B. Hesseltine, A. Labonte, M. Maguire.
Excused: Deputy Murphy
3. **VISITORS:** Karen Day
4. **NEW APPLICANTS:** Doug Batty and David Martin
5. **SECRETARY'S REPORT:** June's meeting minutes were emailed. Motion was made and seconded to accept minutes as emailed. Voted, yes, to accept minutes.
6. **APPARATUS REPORTS:**
 - 13 Rescue 1: In Service:
 - 13 Engine 1: In Service:
 - 13 Engine 3: In Service:
 - 13 Tanker 1: In Service:
 - 13 Brush 1: In Service:
 - 13 Utility 1: In Service: Trickle Charger needs to be repaired.
 - 13 Boat 1: In Service:
6. **DRILLS, MEETINGS AND TRAININGS:**
 - **Rescue Drill:** Tuesday, July 14th, 7pm. Location: Bennington. Meet at GFD by 6:40pm to car pool.
 - **Fire Drill:** Tuesday, July 21st, 7pm, Location: Greenfield. Pump operations.
 - **Officer's Meeting & Truck Checks:** Wed. July 29th, 7pm
 - **Next Business Meeting:** Monday, August 3rd, 7pm, at GFD. (Association Meeting at 6pm)
 - **Any other upcoming training opportunities:**
 - Jaffrey Dept. has Suicide Prevention, see flyer in office.
 - 2015 protocols are in and GFD will be going over these during trainings.
 - Memorial Stair Climb to be held in NY on Oct. 10th, Cpt. Borden has information.
 - FF1 class in Keene in Sept.
 - EMR class this Fall. More info. To follow.
7. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - **Sunday Morning Church at GFD 9am-11am:** This is open to all members who are willing and able to participate on Sunday Mornings. No fixed agenda. . . we clean, fix, build, repair or train as needed.
 - **Recap event: "Books & Ladders":** The event was successful. Many positive comments from people who attended. Many informational and educational opportunities were available to the public, such as the seat belt convincer, tours of the Rescue vehicle and blood pressure checks, hands on demo of fire hose operation, being able to climb the Peterborough ladder truck, fire extinguisher hands on demos, fire truck rides around the track at Oak Park, the fire prevention trailer, Smokey and Sparky were available to meet the kids, the Library was able to sign many people up for their summer reading program. Working with Julie, at the Library, on this event, was great and Dorene will see if we can do an annual combined event with the Library in the future.

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- ID Cards: Pictures have been taken. Karen Day is working on this.
- Burn Building Committee: The committee needs to schedule a date to meet. The Association will be holding a fundraising event in October. More info. To follow.
- Muster: Lt. Rychwa said no muster this year. Maybe next year. Didn't have enough people interested to get a team together. There is the possibility of going to other department's musters this year, but GFD would need a team and would need to have some practices.
- Temsis: Thank you to Chris Borden who spent a lot of time doing Temsis paperwork!
- Pavement: Until the side of the station is paved, please do not try to drive around the building!
- Fundraising Calendar: The plan is to work on it in August, but it may end up being next year.
- Items tabled until further notice:
 1. GFD Web Page: Chief Hall will provide updates as they become available.
 2. The Towns 225th Anniversary: Dorene will provide updates when necessary.
 3. Apparatus Committee: Chief Hall is working on a Capital improvement study before we go further with this committee in order to determine the department's needs.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- Gear Name Tags: Deputy LaCourse handed out Name Labels for everyone to hang over their gear in the bay. Gear that does not have a name label will be removed and put back in inventory to be used for new members. Feel free to personalize your name label.
- Grant Writing: Doug Batty offered to write grants for the department, as he has experience in that area. It was mentioned that we need our records up to date in order to apply for grants and they hadn't been up to date in the past. Chief Hall said that we are up to date as of this Jan.
- Warden's Corner: Fire Warden Jim Morris informed us of the updated Deputy Warden positions as follows: Chad Murray W2, Cpt. Borden W3, Lt. Babb W4, Zach Davis W5. Lt. Rychwa issuing agent.
- Fire Wood Sales: Chad Murray will be heading up a group to cut and split wood to sell to campers.

9. CHIEF'S & OFFICER'S REPORTS:

- Congrats to FF1 class from Deputy LaCourse!
- Compliments to GFD: Cpt. Borden said that those who attended the classes here at GFD gave many compliments as to what a great station and members we had.
- Bunk in Program: Chief Hall explained a program that he is working on with the Selectmen and Officers. In an effort to address the need for new members and more coverage for GFD calls, they are looking into hosting a type of internship program in which people who are pursuing Fire and EMT can schedule to "bunk" at GFD on a given night and attend calls. They would be considered GFD members, but would not receive a stipend for doing so, as they would be receiving free room and board, so to speak. Crotched Mountain Rehab will be giving them meals while they are bunking here during their scheduled shift. More information will follow.

10. Dinner for next month: No volunteers for August.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:35pm

Respectfully submitted,

Dorene Adams, Secretary