



FIRE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- Minutes -

Common Council Chambers

Monday, **April 16, 2018** - 7:00pm

Fire Chiefs

Dominic Cicalese
Thomas Snyder
Anthony Fuller

Committee Chairman

Stanley Siegel

Committee Members

George Belcher
Regis Foster
Maria Mann

Emergency Management

Thomas Vicchiariello

Called to Order: Promptly at 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Dominic Cicalese, Thomas Snyder, Thomas Vicchiariello,
George Belcher, Regis Foster, Maria Mann, Stanley Siegel

Fire Chief's Report:

Old Business:

- The department washed down the sidewalks in the business district, yesterday, 4/15/18.
- Pump and Ladder testing will take place this coming weekend.
- The Cascade system was serviced this month and the Annual Test was performed.
- SCBA testing will be done in May.
- Physicals: Our department has not heard back from Bon Secours as of this date.
- Six of our firefighters went to North Carolina for swift water training this past weekend.

New Business:

- The Chiefs solicited a quote for the replacement of the roof on the Orange Street firehouse, which may need a replacement in one or two years. The estimate was "staggering" but indicated the true cost of replacing a structural shingle roof with a steel roof. For now, the roof will be patched to allow for a replacement in the future. There is a need to look at all the fire stations needs, in the near future.
- The fire chief asked about the status of the bridge replacement. There was a short discussion.

Emergency Management Report:

Old Business:

- Tree trimming on West Main Street and 100 Pike Street. Photos of an apparatus and the trees, will be taken, after leaves bloom.

New Business:

None.

Vehicle Maintenance:

• **Apparatus Updates:**

- ⇒ The air system compressor at the Orange Street fire station failed. A new compressor was installed and it is now functional.
- ⇒ Engine 4: A few concerns have appeared and will be addressed after Engines 5 & 6.
- ⇒ Engine 5: A new Fuel tank will be installed on Wednesday, 4/18/18. OK.
- ⇒ Engine 6: A few concerns have appeared and will be addressed next week.
Also, tires were replaced.
- ⇒ Hooks: A few concerns have appeared and will be addressed after Engines 4, 5 & 6.

- Emergency Management:
- Tom is working with the NWS on updating the flood map elevations. It should involve up to 2 months to be completed.
- Tom is working with the Orange County Emergency Management on storm notification concerns and storm closing issues.
- NYC reservoirs are at capacity and the rivers are rising.
- It appears that the PJ School District may allow the PJHS to be used as an Emergency Shelter.

Other:

- Fire Department Memorial plaque: Awaiting on pricing from Jim Rohner for the plaque and stand. I am hoping for a May rededication. Details will be presented to the FD as soon as prices and a date are available.
- NY State Firefighter/EMS tax credit: I have written to Sen. Bonacic and inquired about the bill to go raise the amount from \$200.00 to \$1,200.00, as he is a co-sponsor. I will continue to keep in touch with the Senator, on the status. Our firefighters deserve the increase for all that we do.

Public Comment: *About topics covered in tonight's meeting. (3 minute limit per person)*
None

Adjournment: **7:20pm**

Next F&EM Meeting **May 21, 2018 @ 7:00pm** in the Council Chambers