



FIRE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- Minutes -



Fire Chiefs

Keith Brown
Anthony Fuller
Jeffery Lewis

Monday, July 18, 2022 @ 6:30pm

Committee Chairman

Misty Fuller

Emergency Management

Thomas Vicchiariello

Committee Members

Maria Mann
Stanley Siegel
Timothy Simmons

Call to Order: **6:30pm**

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Chief Brown, Regis Foster, Liz Miller, Maria Mann, Mike Decker, Tim Simmons, Melissa Newhauser, Misty Fuller

Public Comment: (5-minute limit per person). None

Approval of the Minutes: June 20, 2022

Fire Chief's Report:

Old Business:

- Rescue Support Vehicle – estimated delivery Q4 2022
- Engine 1 replacement – estimated delivery Q2 2023
 - o Blanket letter was received from Spartan invoking force majeure. We have already agreed to swap spec items such as tires, air horns etc. BUT a major issue exists surrounding the airbags that were to be placed in the truck. Spartan can install the airbags. The issue is that these airbags are controlled by microchips and the chips will not be available for 6-9 months. Spartan gave us two options:
 - 1. We could receive a \$6,000 credit and have the airbags completely removed from the truck.
 - 2. We could take delivery of the truck and when the chips are available, they will come to install them.
 - o We met with corporation council to discuss this issue and were advised to get a firmer timeline on the delivery date of the truck vs. the chips. Finance needs to investigate accepting the vehicle when it is not complete. And we need to develop a plan.
- Subcommittees
 - o Get Better Workgroup – The replacement plan for new apparatus needs to be addressed. Especially given the fact that new trucks are taking 24-36 months for delivery.
 - o Central Fire Station Workgroup – update / next steps – Where do we stand with the land swap?
- PESH Dive Standards – A meeting was held with corporation council regarding the guidelines. With some follow up items to complete:
 - o SOPs need to be updated
 - o Guidelines need established for Dive
 - o We may reach out to outside sources to assist in the development of these.

New Business:

- June Incident Report was shared – a total of 29 calls were reported in June; 9 were in the 2nd ward, 6 in the 4th ward, and 3 were mutual aid to neighboring departments. We are at a total of 196 call through June 30th. (June report is attached). For the same period in 2021 there were 198 calls.
- There were no new bills during June and the Truck Maintenance lie in the budget 3410.440 is nearly depleted for this year. Yearly line is budgeted at \$35,000 and \$25,695 has already been spent. Truck 7 (\$14,782) and Engine 5 (\$7,155) have required the most repairs. This leaves \$9,304 remaining in this line with several outstanding invoices and 6 months left in the year.
- The parade went very well, was well attended by the public and DPW did a fantastic job prepping for the parade and cleaning up afterwards.
- Two additional firefighters are in Oriskany, NY to be swift water certified.
- August 20-21st boat operators will be trained in using the side scan sonar technology. International Dive Rescue will be conducting the training for Port Jervis, Matamoras, National Park Service members will be attending the training.

Emergency Management Report:

Old Business:

- Engine 1 has a tire issue where there are chunks missing in two tires. At this time, they are not deemed a safety issue.
- Truck 7 will need new tires for next inspection year, and they range from \$1500-\$2000 each.

New Business:

- Engine 5 is still OOS. It was back for 1 day prior to the parade. A crack fuel filter was replaced but it still will not start. YTD it has been OOS for 38 days, Truck 7 YTD has been OOS for 35 days. YTD, we have had 94 OOS days for apparatus or 47% of the year at least one piece of apparatus has been OOS.

Vehicle Maintenance:

- Truck 7 is still awaiting parts to repair damage done to the AC unit. Parts were delivered but are incorrect. The load manager computer is acting up again and will need to be addressed.

Other: Nixle Access – MF will follow up with the Mayor to get access for the fire chief.

Public Comment: *(5-minute limit per person)*

Adjournment: **6:46pm**

*Next F&EM Meeting **Monday, August 15, 2022**, at **6:30pm**, in the Council Chambers*