



# FIRE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



## - Minutes-

### **Fire Chiefs**

Keith Brown  
Anthony Fuller  
Jeffery Lewis

Monday, May 15th, 2023 @ 6:30pm

### **Committee Chairman**

Misty Fuller

### **Emergency Management**

Thomas Vicchiariello

### **Committee Members**

Maria Mann  
Stanley Siegel  
Timothy Simmons

Call to Order 6:31pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: T. Simmons, T. Vicchiariello, K. Brown, T. Fuller, D. Rivera, M. Fuller, M. Mann, M. Newhauser, L. Quick, R. Foster, J. Smith

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

**Approval of the Minutes:** April 2023, Approved

### **Fire Chief's Report:**

#### **Old Business:**

- Rescue Support Vehicle – F550 – plates have been received. We are currently waiting for the vendor to give us a date that the remaining mounting brackets can be installed.
- Engine 1 replacement – Temporary plate is in place and training has begun. Will also need to go for installation of the wireless headset system.
- Engine 5 Update – The manufacturer (Seagrave) has confirmed that the trucks cab can be tilted to an 85-degree angle which “should” allow enough room for the engine replacement to take place.
- Fire training center gate – Locking has been more consistent. The school has cleared trees and installed new fence.
- West End Beach Project – K. Brown has spoken to Assistant DPW director. Fire would like to be kept involved in the design and layout, in order to keep things accessible for the boat launch and apparatus.
- Subcommittees
  - o Get Better Workgroup
    - No update available – awaiting a plan from the city clerk treasurer.
  - o Central Fire Station Workgroup – School Board Vote Tomorrow
    - K. Brown and T. Fuller will attend the fire station design seminar in St. Louis on the 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>. This seminar also touches on funding opportunities that are available.
- Apparatus Maintenance Contract Update – M. Fuller will follow up with corporation council to get a status of the contract. We do have a few issues we would like to send to them when the contract is executed.
- No news on the AFG grant.
- FIIT Test and Bailout trainings are under way.

#### **New Business:**

- The Delaware has had it's first drowning of the season.
- Signage has been made available by the Upper Delaware River council regarding river safety and PPE. These are available in English and Spanish; we would like to work in conjunction with the Rec department to distribute them.

- April Call Volume was 46 making us even with the 2022 volumes. Of the 46 calls - 16 were mutual aid to neighboring departments.
- Early Voting begins on June 17<sup>th</sup> for the primary election through June 25<sup>th</sup>. With Set up days this displaces our apparatus for approx. 21 days. Early Voting for General Election starts October 28<sup>th</sup> through November 6<sup>th</sup>, with set up this displaces apparatus for approx. 12 days. This needs to be addressed for the next election as it displaces multiple pieces of apparatus and puts our equipment at risk of being unprotected.
- 19 Front Street – excessive false alarms. The property has been cited by the building official.

### **Emergency Management Report:**

#### **Old Business:**

-Farnum Phones are still not functioning.

#### **New Business:**

- June 1<sup>st</sup> to October the DEP will be releasing water from the Dams. They have no plans to reduce the amount of water released if there is excessive rain/potential flood stages. OEM estimates potentially 1ft increase in the river levels on a sunny day.
- Rio had a small leak approx. 1 week ago there was no threat, and the issue has been corrected.
- Active shooter drill Friday at the ASK Elementary. OC Sherriff's Department, PJ Ambulance, PJ Police and Fire, & NY State Police are involved.
- Cannabis will be going to planning board, 180 Pike Street has a pre-submission. We should take this topic back to code to review the guidelines. Consumption is not allowed on the river as it is federally owned and illegal.
  - o FD has had nuisance calls dues to the odor.
- Curb cut at Water's Edge – can this be addressed while the city has sidewalk work underway? D. Rivera will follow up with DPW.
- Garbage truck fire due to lithium battery, can we restrict what is being disposed of and educate the garbage men to be aware of what they are picking up (when visible).

#### **Vehicle Maintenance:**

- Hook & Ladder is still experiencing load manager issues. May not be repairable and may need to be replaced. Also experiencing DEF issues.
- Engine 6 had a module replaced.

### **Fire Inspector Report:**

- Catching up on Inspections.
- New Knox box going in at Bagel Station and at Rosita's building.

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

Adjournment: **7:20pm**

*Next F&EM Meeting **Thursday, June 22nd, 2023** at 6:30pm, in the Council Chambers*