

Centerville-Osterville Marstons Mills Fire Department
Fire Commissioners' Meeting
April 22, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting will come to order at 1705 and will be recorded. We will begin our meeting with public comment. If you wish to provide public comment, please raise your hand, and wait to be called on by the chair. Speakers should identify themselves when called on to speak. Each speaker may have a minimum of three minutes. To be complaint with the Open Meeting Law, the board may choose not to engage in discussion on a particular comment but may wish to include the topic on a future agenda. The Board of Fire Commissioners strives to maintain an orderly and peaceable public meeting environment.

Fire Commissioners Macallister, Riley, and Brown were in attendance along with Chief Winn, Deputy Eldridge, N. Kennedy, T. Laffey, and members of Local 2346.

Roll call was taken. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the March 18, 2024, meeting.

There were no ambulance waivers.

Met with Brian Duggan from Municipal Resources, Inc. regarding the Chief Officer Assessment via Zoom.

Interviews took place for Chief Officer. The candidates interviewed were Patrick Hill, Michael Rogers, Jason Davern, and Eric Sabatinelli. At the completion of the interviews a motion was made and seconded to promote Patrick Hill as the next Chief Officer.

CORRESPONDENCE

PERSONNEL

R. DiPilato started work hardening. Hopefully will be returning to full duty in May.

C. Rogers is still out after back surgery. Hopefully will be starting physical therapy the beginning of May.

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention continued this month with routine inspections both commercial and residential. Although numerous business inspections occurred, notable inspections this month included both 1600 Falmouth Road Belltower Mall and 381 Old Falmouth Road. Belltower Mall is known for its mixed occupancy usage of apartments above and commercial establishments below including multiple restaurants. 381 Old Falmouth consists of 43 large commercial bays. Many of which consist of flammable/combustible liquids, hotworks/welding, and other potential hazards. Crews are encouraged to regularly perform walkthroughs at these locations and be familiar with preplanning.

Both FPO's took part in a "General Fire Safety" presentation at Cape Cod Community College as part of their Project Forward Program. Project Forward stands as a nationally esteemed program dedicated to providing vocational training for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

Our Jr. Firefighter Program continued at both West Villages and Centerville Elementary. This month's topic was a gear demonstration. The children were also able to use a thermal imaging camera (TIC); this device creates an image using infrared radiation, which is emitted by heat sources. "Senior Safe" Saturdays also continued with the assistance of our Community Outreach team members.

FPO Lehane attended the monthly FPAM meeting in Auburn. This month included a presentation from DFS Matt Murray regarding "Hot Works Permitting and Codes."

This past month a total of (50) permits were issued by the Fire Prevention Office while collecting (\$1400) in permit fees. Resale inspections of homes were the most common type of permit (25) and inspection (50). Overall Fire Prevention completed (270) inspections and/or activities, (28) of which were part of our Community Outreach "Senior Safe" campaign.



EMS

Required 2024 Protocol Update Training complete for all personnel. Deadline for completion was April 22, 2024.

All EMT's and Paramedics due to expire on April 1, 2024, successfully recertified.

All supplies and equipment remain in good working order.

No update on new ambulances on order. Asking sales rep for follow up on status.

DISPATCH

COMM dispatched 540 calls for the month of March. This is an increase of 98 calls compared to last March. Of the 540, 118 were service/alarm or fire related, 392 were EMS or MVC related, and 30 were Fire Prevention Senior Safe visits or Public Education at the schools.

In addition, COMM dispatched 94 calls for Cotuit in the month of March. This is an increase of 22 for the month compared to last year.

EQUIPMENT

A324 – Performed oil change and replaced windshield wipers.

A325 – Performed oil change and replaced front rotors and pads.

A326 – Serviced engine and chassis. Ordered a new oil pan.

Spare Ambulance – Performed oil change and repaired air leaks.

E305 – Performed full service on engine. Also performed service on generator.

E306 – Replaced EGR valve and performed oil change.

L307 – Replaced rear handrail leading to the turn table.

C322 – Radio and emergency lights installed.

TRAINING

May Training:

1. Emergency Action Plan/Fire Prevention Policy (mandatory once a year) (ISO T2)
2. Company Drill(s):
 - a. Small Boat/RDC Practical (ISO T2)
 - b. Marine 310 Practical (ISO T2)
3. Stretcher Safety and Glucometer (mandatory once a year)
4. M&M Rounds: Cape Cod May 26th and Falmouth May 20th

Training Hours:

Month: March

of Member's Reporting: 40

Total Hours: 245:45

(The above was recorded in FireRescue1 Academy and includes firefighters and officers)

OPERATIONS

Marine Division

Marine 310 is in service in the water at Crosby Yacht Yard. The Department responded to no marine-related incidents in 2024. There have been seven hours of operator-based, and 11 total personnel hours of underway time logged in the 2024 calendar year through March 31. All small boats are in service at their respective stations.

Dive Team

The Dive Team conducted training in March at Long Pond in Harwich with the County and Hyannis teams. The focus was zero visibility entanglement and search patterns.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Started weed control at all stations.

Station 1 – Brush and limb removal, drainpipe repair and found clogged debris in pipes contacted Ready Rooter to inspect, boiler inspection passed, building inspection by town passed as well. Working on updating boards and projector screen in meeting hall.

Station 2 – Floor drain cleaning on apparatus floor and repaired table.

BUDGET

See attached budget sheet. **B. Eldridge – final budget has been submitted to Prudential committee.**

PLANNING

COMMITTEES

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES (IT)

MISCELLANEOUS

Chief Officer Assessments took place on April 11th and April 12th with six (6) candidates participating.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 1850hrs. Next meeting is May 20, 2024, at 5pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Brown", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Doug Brown, Clerk