Centerville-Osterville Marstons Mills Fire Department Fire Commissioners' Meeting June 19, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting will come to order at 1703 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 Deputy Eldridge and N. Kennedy.

Roll call was taken. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the May 15, 2023 meeting. There were no ambulance waivers.

CORRESPONDENCE

PERSONNEL

New hires to start on July 3, 2023, starting with a two-week orientation. **All candidates have passed their PAT** exams.

- M. Carney cleared from doctor to return to work on May 23, 2023.
- R. Sahl will be returning to work on July 14, 2023.

FIRE PREVENTION

The Jr. Firefighter program finished at both West Villages and Centerville Elementary. For this last session the FPO's did a recap of all the learning points taught throughout the year.

Annual inspections took place at two of our larger commercial, mixed occupancy locations: Belltower Mall, 1600 Falmouth Road, Centerville as well as the Wianno Club, 107 Seaview Ave, Osterville. There are 24 residential units at Belltower Mall.

Although commercial inspections are completed daily throughout our district, these two are worth noting due to their size and use group.

Both FPO's attended the Annual FPAM 2-day seminar in Southbridge. The topics discussed included fire alarm systems, sprinklers, hoarding, photovoltaic systems along with battery and energy storage systems. Lt/FPO Hill attended the Cape & Islands Fire Chiefs Association presentation by Captain (Ret) Mike Gagliano of Seattle Fire, "The Art of Go/No-Go."

This past month a total of (75) permits were issued by the Fire Prevention Office while collecting (\$2050) in permit fees. Resale inspections of homes were down this month but remained the most common type of permit (37) and inspection (50). Overall Fire Prevention completed (162) inspections and/or activities, (33) of which were CRR/Senior Safe inspections.

EMS

Met with ambulance sales rep from Greenwood Emergency Vehicles along with Mechanic Randall to go over ETA on A-324, target date remains August of 2023. Unknown ETA on additional 2 ordered ambulances.

Service technicians from Stryker will be at COMM HQ on June 21st to perform the annual preventative maintenance of all AED's, stretchers, load systems, stair chairs and LifePak 15's.

QA/QI and report approval for billing continues daily.

All equipment and supplies are in good working order. Minimal replacement of worn items such as splints, bags etc. will be replaced after July 1st.

DISPATCH

In the month of May COMM units were dispatched to 471 calls, which is an increase of 95 calls from last May. COMM also dispatched 69 calls for Cotuit during May.

Currently Dispatcher Monroe is working with Cotuit Chief Brown and IT Director Rich Sargent to update the Cotuit call types in the CAD system. Cotuit has also begun using the "I Am Responding" app for recall of their off-duty personnel which helps reduce the number of phone calls coming into dispatch during an incident.

EQUIPMENT

A324 – Repaired cab air conditioning, started replacement of kingpins. Brought to Hyannis Collison for estimate on bodywork repairs.

A326 – Stryker repaired stretcher load system. Installed new charging system for stretcher.

A327 – Performed routine service, adjusted break. Sending transmission fluid to be tested.

E305 – Found inner tire not holding air, replaced with spare tires. Ordered four (4) replacement tires for rear.

E306 – Found door alarm stuck in the "on" position. Moved and adjusted door switch.

L307 – Replaced light bracket on tip of ladder.

B310 – Rebuilt fire pump for boat.

B313 – Serviced engine and replaced trailer light and wiring.

C317 - Brought to Copeland Chevy to replace transmission control module and reprogrammed.

C329 – TJ Motorworks diagnosed and replaced harmonic balancer.

TRAINING

July Training:

1.) FireRescue1 Academy: Chainsaw Safety (1 hour) (ISO T2)

2.) Gas Powered and Power Tools Practical (ISO T2)

3.) FireRescue1 Academy: Mental Health and Wellness for Firefighter's (1 hour) (ISO T2)

4.) Building/Area Familiarization: TBD (ISO T8)

Training Hours:

Month: May

of Member's Reporting: 46

Total Hours: 280:10

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

Capt. Morrison and FF. Koretski attended the Congressional Fire Services Institute Conference May 21st-23rd in Washington DC.

FF. Karter attended a Heavy Lifting Class hosted by Yarmouth FD, June 5th.

(The above training was completed in addition to the COMM monthly training)

Two-week orientation for the new hires begins July 3rd, Monday-Friday with the exception of July 4th.

OPERATIONS

Marine Division

Marine 310 is in service in the water at Crosby Yacht Yard. The bulbs in the spotlight were replaced and the fire pump is in the service department being overhauled.

The Department has responded to seven marine-related Incidents in 2023. There have been 39.5 hours of operator-based, and 99.75 personnel hours total of underway time logged as of June 1. All small boats are in service at their respective stations.

Dive Team

The Dive Team conducted its monthly training in April at Long Pond in Brewster with the County team. The topic was diver emergency contingency procedures.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Lawn maintenance at all Stations

Station 1

- Replaced two (2) four-foot light fixtures with LED in men's locker room and lavatory area.
- Installed new toilet and valves in dispatch bathroom.
- Replacing ceiling tiles in Lieutenants office.

Station 2

- Mulch, trim, and weed all areas.
- Cleaned around dumpster area.
- Sprinkler valve repaired by Knell Irrigation.

Station 3

- Mulch, trim, and weed all areas.
- Repaired rail fence.
- Repaired door striker.
- Repainted emergency telephone cabinet.
- Cleaned mildew off B-side shingles.

BUDGET

See attached budget sheet. Deputy Eldridge asked for approval from the committee to encumber money to purchase hand tools, air bags, hoses, and foam that were not purchased due to previous year's spending freeze on the department, but much needed. At the beginning of July there will be a company going to Hyannis Fire who will remove the Class B foam from all apparatus. COMM will be bringing each apparatus down to have this done. Once complete will be replaced with Class A foam.

PLANNING

COMMITTEES

Chief Winn along with Peer Support Members Mike Rogers, Ryan DiPilato, and Jason Davern met with a dog breeder and trainer in Middleboro to go over options regarding a Peer Support Canine.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 1724hrs. Next meeting July 17, 2023 at 5pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Brown, Clerk