

COLCHESTER HAYWARD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY OFFICERS MEETING
SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chief W. Cox, Dep. Chief W. Standish, Asst. Chief J. McMinn, Asst. Chief T. Clark, F.P. Capt. J. Jones, EMS Capt. A. Barnes, Fire Capt. P. Giudice, Lt. Greenman, Lt. Brown, Lt. Ewings and Janice LaGrega.

Chief Cox called the meeting to order @ 0705 hours.

The minutes from the May Officers meeting were approved as read. Motion by W. Standish and 2nd by A. Barnes.

Citizen's comments: none

Budget Issues: Finishing up the fiscal year. All bills should be submitted right away. The budget was approved. We will be transferring unused funds for fire hose. Discussion on the progress on the renovation of the old firehouse, it is in desperate of repair. The Chief Officers will meet with the First Selectman to discuss how to proceed.

Career Staff / Personnel: James Manganello withdrew his resignation. Don Lee will be promoted to Lieutenant in July; there will be a ceremony at Town Hall.

Training: An apparatus training program is being worked on for trailers and emergency response. Discussion on fuel compensation for out of town training. Discussion on have drivers refresh on vehicles at least once a year. Salem burn house is requesting the use of the ladder. There will be a fire training opportunity in Yantic, June 22nd – 29th. SOG for Apparatus Response is up for approval of the chief officers. It is signed and posted, original given to Lt. Brown. SOG for Post Incident Review is up for approval of the Chief Officers. It is signed and posted. When on calls, blocking vehicles need to stay in place until fire police are cleared.

Apparatus: R-628 tires had to be replaced because of severe slashes. The air-conditioning in both ambulances works. L128 went in for repairs to the ladder and is back in service.

EMS: The ambulances are being left a mess after calls. Please make sure that you put the rigs back in service after every call. SQ128 now has a Biohazard Clean up bag. EMS charts training – about half of personnel trained. Dan from Survival Group is here today to show us EMS gear. Also shown a d-fib unit, a patient CO reader and a pass alarm device.

Fire: Co 2 outside door next to ET2 needs to be replaced. Tiles in the kitchen are breaking. Upgrades need to be made to the kitchen. Gear checks are about 90% done, and need to be completed before fuel compensation checks will be issued. Co. 1 upstairs is being painted. Trucks qualifications are being done. The Bacon mock-car crash went well. Engineers/LTs are still needed for several vehicles. The Fire Captains will be doing reviews of the eng/lts under thier command. Fire Police Signal 54 Class being held this Tuesday. Those members who need physicals should schedule them as soon as possible.

Chief Officers: We need to get officers tones put into their pagers. Discussion on the progress of selling of the old SCBA and compressor. The alpha-numeric pagers are almost ready to be distributed. Paperwork for emergency calls needs to be completed appropriately. A meeting will be set up with the President, the chief officers and the cadet advisors. Thank you to everyone who attended he Memorial Day Parade. Good job by those on scene for the Life Star call on Route 2 last week. The town is requesting to use Schuster Park for Pandemic Flu deceased person if the need ever arises. Co. 2 will not be used as a voting area for the town.

Motion to adjourn @ 0910 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice LaGrega, Secretary
Colchester Fire Department