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COLCHESTER HAYWARD FIRE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY OFFICERS MEETING

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TO BE APPROVED AT NEXT MEETING

MONDAY May 6, 2019 1900 HOURS

HQ 52 Old Hartford Road

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**Called to order:** 1900 hrs.

**Members Present:** Chief Cox, 1<sup>st</sup> AC Morris, AC EMS Babineau, , Capt. J. Jones, Capt. Liz Peeler, Duty Officer Bert Marvin, Fire Co Pres./EMS Admin M Miraglia, Lt. P Giudice, Lt Szuba, Eng. Ziegler, Eng. Babineau, FM Shoemaker, Sharon Corona - Chaplain

BOF Liaison and BOS Liaison not present.

**Absent:** DC Lee (Medical Leave)

**Approval of minutes:** minutes from February 11, 2019. Correction noted : President Miraglia's report. Motioned to approve by AC EMS Babineau, seconded by AC Morris with corrections noted. Approved.

**Additions to Agenda:** None.

**Citizens Comments:** None

**Budget Issues:** On 5/1/19 the BOF approved the Paramedic program, scaled down proposal, and spread over 2 yrs to include the hiring of the Paramedics in the 20/21 fiscal year. 5/14/19 is the next public meeting to vote to move the budget forward.

Engine 3 is out of the Capital Fund till further notice. \$30,000 has been slated for Service 1 replacement. TBD

**Career / Staff Personnel:** DC Lee out on Medical Leave; Cptn Peeler is back from medical leave.

Issues raised re: the volunteers NOT fueling the ambulance – expecting the paid staff to do it. This practice is not acceptable and will be discussed at the company meeting

The fuel pumps at Fleet were tagged by DEEP. By the EOM May portable tanks will be used while above ground tanks are installed. The larger portable tank will come to the FD, smaller to Senior center.

Cadet issue is being handled – will be back Tuesday

**Training:** Directive 11 – will be reviewed, and enforced. Members that sign up for training, and the Town pays, but the member doesn't go or fails out, will have to repay the town. Members with less than 1 yr must pay 50% of the training requested, members with over 1 yr pay a portion. M.Miraglia noted this policy has been in place for a while. AC.Morris and Cpn Szuba mentioned it must be enforced. A list will be looked into re: who flunked out or did not go to EMS / FFI classes and supplied to the Chief/Jean)

Chief Wallach (Hebron FD) to provide training on 6/3. Class has 5 enrolled now. Potential for bridge. He also has a program for recruitment and retention : we will be getting signage /banners, trained on how to man a recruitment booth.

Target solution re: online training was contacted to see if the CAP training can go toward refresher.

Captain Szuba suggested having a Chain of Command training – to discuss how members must go to their immediate supervisor, who will go up the line in authority. (Bylaws discuss this)

**Safety:** Physicals of many still due. Any questions about this should be directed to Bobby Dombroski. Mask fit and flo net testing also done by Lt Dombroski.

**EMS:** Yellow sheets are not being filled out. Ambulance is not being fueled and re-stocked. Things broken are not being reported – MUST be written on discrepancy report. New vitals machine on A528. EMS week is 5/19. Suggested: Friday 5/17 to have a BBQ / camp fire / picnic at Schuster Park. Backus has a BBQ on Wed. 5/15

Sat. 5/11 – Salmon River Road race. Gator crew needed. Food provided.

Jeff Way – EMS Coordinator Backus – has access to ems Charts – but not getting run forms. Phone # verified. emsCharts will be changed to ESO effective 7/1/19. AC Babineau to set up training sessions. New pants and boots on order for EMS division.

**Captains Reports:** **Police Capt. Jones:** Service 3 has been resituated in the shed, plug moved to other side. Fast track training is set for 4/5 people. F.Gadzicki is all set.

**EMS Captain Peeler** - nothing

**Duty Officer** – B Marvin – suggested the potholes in HQ parking lot be addressed. Informed DPW has it on list.

**Fire –Cpt. Szuba** – gear inventory provided.

**Chief Officer Reports:**

EMS AC Babineau – will plan bonfire for 5/24

AC Morris – questioned status of SCBA bid. Chief reported Avon came in at \$259,575, Scott \$318470 (difference of \$58,895). Bunker gear came in last week Shields, and gloves on back order. Boots in.

DC- not present (Medical Leave)

Chief Cox – as of 4/30 – 673 calls. Drain work being done at company1. Modine heaters / 2 furnaces being replaced w/ new AC unit / company 2 door windows replaced / company 2 being repainted / company 1 outside brick work being repaired / Lions Club giving donation applied for by Jean – being awarded Wed 5/8 – Jean will represent

5/26 memorial day. Boy Scout flower sale weekend of 5/10 for Mothers day. 5/9 – Senior Center meeting to discuss the PM program. Library meeting set for next week.

**Fire Marshal:** Higgins Electric now on Old Hartford Rd. Will be installing an electric fence, and a light near the draft pond. Linwood Lake Lodge replaced the bridge – is now passable for vehicles. WJMS –may be getting a new gate. Amerigas installed a padlock at their yard. Relabeled the energy shut off. McDonalds "relabelled" the panels – but need to be verified if using. Deer Run fire final determination : Undetermined – too much destroyed.



**CHVFCo President Miraglia:** Memorial Day morning tradition reminder for cemetery flags. The 'after-party' is going to be coordinated w/ K.Ewings – ladies auxillary.

**Motion to adjourn:** Made by AC Babineau, seconded by AC Morris

**Adjourned:** 19500 hours

**Respectfully submitted,** Jean Walsh