

NOROTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Service Board

OCTOBER 2013 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/22/2013

Start Time: 20:00

Attendees: Hyatt, Burkhart Jr., Keane, Oxer, Geraci, Murray, Buch Jr., Sheehan, Vitti, Ward

Guest Attendees: Fitzpatrick, R. Brighton

-Last month's minutes were read.

Report of committees

Radios:

- No report

Trucks and Equipment:

- The annual testing of the ground ladders and other assorted equipment (heat sensors etc.) is being done by 5 Star. There are several items that will need to be addressed before some pieces can be put back in service. Keep an eye on the white boards for any updates for equipment that might be out of service.
- Twin Lights provided a quote of \$11K to fix the waterway on L30. We will also be asking 5 Star to quote so we can compare.
- SB has begun discussions on the replacement of the Hurst tools as they have reached (exceeded) the end of their lifecycle. Discussion ensued about the different brands (Holmatro) and what we would want to look for in a replacement. Consensus was that we would want to stay with Hurst to enable interoperability between all 3 departments. There will be further information provided on Hurst tool options in upcoming SB meetings.
- M34 is OOS until 10/24 for Westerbeke pump PM service.

Marine Division:

- M34 will be getting pulled 10/31 or 11/1 for PM depending on availability of qualified membership to help.
- Scott Sargent did a minor referb on the boat trailer of the wheels and brake components. A full referb needs to be scheduled.

Fire commission:

- Drill tower – electric starting this week. Trenching is done. Looking like we will be able to start drilling on it by December (minus the paving that is scheduled for the spring).
- There is a delay in the scheduled delivery of Sea Legs until January due back up at their factory.
- This year's 3 department Cocktail party will be hosted by / at NFD.
- Q test is scheduled for Nov. 2nd at NHFD.
- Upcoming dates for functions:
 - Bonfire at the lot – 11/29
 - Ben's Dinner - 12/6
 - Kid's Christmas party – 12/8
 - 3 Department Cocktail party – 12/14 (set up on 12/13)
 - Santa Run – 12/22

Membership:

- Signs in; still need wind holes cut and collars need to be cemented in.

Drills and Training:

- November training schedule is set. Most of December Friday / Sunday drill times are already accounted for due to other scheduled activities.
- December SB meeting will be moved due to Christmas Eve (date tbd).

Gear:

- No report

Parades:

- No report

Old Business:

- Garage – Mike V. updated the group on the progress of the preliminary plans / drawings that will be presented in the Nov. membership meeting. Mike B. Jr. will price it out. This information is being put together in order to provide a more concrete picture of what the membership will be discussing after a review of the facts and timeline that have led us to consider the necessity of additional apparatus storage space.
- Oxer priced out 2 options for replacement of the light bar on 35. SB is inclined to go with cheaper option. There is no point in spending more than we have to in order to get it functional again.
- New headlights on E32 and L30 being quoted. Looking to add light replacement to PM on 30 that is coming up. E32 will be scheduled in the near future.
- Need to pick up 5 inch supply hose DFD.

New Business:

- Fire Instructor class will run all of February thru first week in November on each Monday, Wednesday and Sunday. The course will be held at NFD. This course is a pre-requisite for any additional Office Training courses / certifications. Fire Fighter 2 pre-requisite. Contact Mike Vitti.
- We will begin posting the Service Board monthly minutes and drills/alarms sheets on the website in the Members section (password and log-on required for each member)

Welfare:

- Cub Scout tour was a huge hit. Thanks to Bob Sr. and Joe Warren for stepping up to take the time out of their schedules to do this.
- Toys 4 Tots is posted as a news item on the website and will be built out as we get closer to kicking off the collection.
- Reminder that if you have drill and you can't make it, it is your responsibility to get it taken care of and covered by another qualified member.

-With no further business the meeting adjourned at 21:13