



CAPITAL AREA MUTUAL AID FIRE COMPACT

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April 20, 2023, Bradford Fire Department

President Morse opened the April meeting at 19:01.

Chief Nowell welcomed everyone to Bradford.

The secretary's report was approved as printed.

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented by Chief Yale.

Roll Call indicated 17 towns and 24 members present and 3 members were present online.

REPORTS:

Training committee:

Chairman Captain Mick Costello reported the training committee is working on an S-130 forestry class for the compact, the information is on the compact website. The training committee is looking to get back to doing monthly drills on each side of the compact like prior to the pandemic. Loudon is a possibility for a 2-alarm drill in May. Captain Costello brought up for discussion the building fire in Hopkinton and the Epsom building fire, both Chief Yale and Chief Yeaton spoke about their respective incidents. Haz Mat team had one incident in Campton and Chief Nowell spoke favorably on the recent Haz Mat trainings in both Lakes Region and Capital Area, in all 210 personnel attended.

Fire Marshal Report:

Marshal Toomey spoke on pending legislation. 2023 has seen an increase in the number of fatal fires in New Hampshire. Foam take back is still a go, with a May-June 2023 timeframe. Marshal Toomey would like to host a chief's round table in the Capital Area.

NHFST & EMS Report:

Report submitted.

NHIAC Report:

Jim Heinz reported operation Flash Point Training for the business community continues. Contact Jim to get added to their email notification list.

WEBSITE Report:

Gary reported steady activity on the website, if Chiefs would like any information/pictures added to the website to email himself or Chief Gilbert for submission.

Concord Hospital Report:

No representative. No Report.

Dispatch Report: Elisa Folsom

Deputy Folsom submitted a report in her absence, she reported the dispatch center is at full staffing, Kevin Nugent has been hired as the new Dispatch Captain. The issues with IamResponding have been resolved.

CAD updates: work continues on CAD input and training also continues.

Old Business:

The cost to outfit the new vehicle has risen considerably. The compact originally approved \$79,000 to purchase and outfit a new vehicle. After discussion it was moved and seconded to increase the amount to outfit the vehicle from \$79,000 to not to exceed \$100,000. The motion was approved.

Plausawa tower: Chief Gilbert has been in contact with representatives of the tower company, the plan is to erect a temporary tower and the tower company will pay for damaged Compact equipment. Progress continues.

New Business: The Executive Board has met to discuss the hiring of a Compact Deputy Chief. The committee broke out into a sub-committee to formulate a job description, employee contract and pay scales. Legal representation is looking over all documents and the committee will be meeting again in the near future.

Bow has requested an updated payment schedule to the compact due to the way their fiscal year runs. After discussion about this situation, it was moved and seconded to allow Bow to move to an October payment schedule. The motion was approved.

Next meeting is scheduled to be in Epsom on May 18.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 20:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan S. Quimby

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