

Capital Area Mutual Aid Fire Compact

May 19, 2022 – Deering Fire Department and remote – meetings.dialpad.com

Chief Jim Morse Presiding

Roll call

Attendance Towns: 15

Members: 24

Guests: 2

Call to Order 1900 - Welcome by Host Chief Jeffrey LeBlanc

REPORTS

Secretary's Report – Chief Newbery

- Motion to dispense with the reading of the April minutes. Motion and second to accept the minutes as posted and distributed.
- Motion Passed

Treasurer's Report – Chief Yale

- Motion and second to accept the report as posted and distributed
- Motion Passed

Training – Mick Costello

- Quarterly training -forestry- Follow-up training suggestions for department trainings sent out from committee. EMS sub-committee working with Craig Clough to coordinate trainings. Reminder - Epsom will be hosting a Mutual Aid search drill – May 23rd.

HazMat Report Captain Costello

Monthly trainings – chemical related suicide.

Question on response to Loudon FD HM incident with abandoned drum. Incident turned over to State DES. No income generated from responsible party. Chief Gilbert aware and follow-up.

Fire Marshal's Report –

Brian Allard – Noted recent chemical suicide – carbon monoxide. Office involved because of CO. Two candidates for open positions Investigator spots. Background checks in progress. Hazmat coordinator remains open. Legislation – HB 1681 – Fire Codes - House and Senate passed waiting on Governor approval. SB 443 relative to municipalities getting FMO approval for Fire Code changes - House and Senate passed waiting on Governor

Training opportunities – 20 classes available – new class - Catching a Serial Arsonist available. Contact office to schedule class. Incidents – Red Jacket Inn on-going investigation. Tony Booth promoted to District Chief. NFIRS – two people now on staff working with departments to provide data.

NHFST & EMS Report –

No representative present. Report was posted.

NHIAC Report –

James Hines introduced as new representative for fire service. Just getting up to speed.

WEBSITE – Gary Sleeper

Report by Chief Gilbert- 1006-page reviews past month. Department updates being posted.

Concord Hospital Report –

No report

Dispatch Report

Chief Gilbert – Two State Fire Mobilization activations past month. Red Jacket and Brush in Ossipee. Improvement needed in activation – discussion taking place at Federation meeting. Open carrier issue on primary channel – being monitored, it is being received on base stations and some mobiles. Radio vendor checked all Compact equipment and determined not to be our equipment.

Old Business

Kearsarge equipment damage from winter storm – replaced both antennas. Working on a plan to get new cable to the top. Issue is the weight of the new cable. Primary radio is working.

CAD replacement – CSI -Grafton County use. Company has no fire department exclusive customers. Police and fire customers – several counties and joint dispatch centers. Still considering them as vendor. Looked at five vendors narrowing down to two.

Weare FD – Resolved most of the conflicting address issues. Goal is still September 1 go live.

New Business

Hazard Mitigation Plans. Many communities working on updating the plans. Reminder from Chief Gilbert that these plans are often referenced in Grant applications. Please include information on communications challenges and hazardous material transportation.

Good of the Organization –

** Next Meeting Northwood Narrows June 16.

** Motion to adjourn – 19:45