

Georgia Fire Department  
Regular Business Meeting  
September 3, 2015  
Approved: October 1, 2015

Present: 16                      Excused: 6                      Absent: 13

Meeting called to order by Keith Baker at 7:03pm.

### **Old Business**

- Minutes of the previous meeting read by the secretary. Motion to accept made by Scott Richards, seconded by Robert Williams, motion passed.
- Maplefields and Georgia Market will be donating food for the Soccer Jamboree on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Plan to start set up by 8:00am.
- Fall Fest is 3:00-8:00pm on September 12<sup>th</sup> with fireworks to follow.
- No updates on the SCBA grant.
- The department will be purchasing the equipment to make ID tags for use as accountability tags.
- The officers met with the select board regarding current policies and necessary changes. Select board has agreed to meet with department at a date to be determined.

### **New Business**

- Training will be vehicle extrication.
- Keith offered thanks to those who attended Lloyd Longe's visiting hours.
- Keith read new confidentiality policy and agreement to be signed by all department members.
- Keith read a thank you note from Jeanne Dube and her family.
- Anyone available to participate in a small memorial service at 9:30am at the station on September 11<sup>th</sup> is encouraged to attend.
- Please let Keith or one of the officers know if you have any ideas for consideration which may require budget allocation for the coming year.
- Keith asked for a vote by the members to allow permission for several members to remain on the department despite moving out of town. The bylaws allow for members to live outside of town provided they live within 15 minutes of normal drive time to the station. All exemptions approved by the membership remain subject to compliance with remaining provisions of the exemption as described in the bylaws.
  - Ric made a motion to keep Robert on the department, Russ seconded, motion passed.
  - Heather made a motion to keep Cassandra Cobb as a member, Russ Hardy seconded, motion passed.
  - Dick McGrath made motion to keep Andrew Vincent a member, seconded by Scott Richards, motion passed.
- Officers discussed revising policy to allow new members to join that work in town and have the ability to respond during daytime hours but do not live in town.

- Heather Grimm announced the fire prevention schedule for October 2015. Please contact Heather if interested.
- Fairfax may request Georgia as first due for calls in certain parts of their town as we are closer to some locations than they are. Will likely also be called for accidents with reports of entrapment on the western side of Fairfax as their extrication capabilities are limited. Discussed possibility of inviting Fairfax to participate in a joint vehicle extrication training.

Motion to adjourn made by Robert Williams, seconded by Andrew Vincent, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:34pm.