

Georgia Fire Department
Regular Business Meeting
October 3, 2019
Approved: November 7, 2019

Location:
Georgia Fire Station
4134 Ethan Allen Highway
Georgia, VT 05478

Present: 17 Excused: 6 Absent: 1

Meeting called to order by Keith Baker at 7:57pm.

Old Business

- Minutes of the previous meeting read by the secretary. Motion to accept with revisions made by Ben Piper seconded by Jamie Cota, motion passed.
- Fire prevention at the school will be October 8th (9:00am-10:00am and 1:00pm-2:00pm) and the 11th (8:30am-2:30pm with a break for lunch). There is also a request for fire prevention at the Next Generation daycare on October 9th at 10:30am.
- Keith thanked everyone who helped with the Soccer Jamboree and Fall Fest.
- Keith thanked those who participated in the 9/11 tribute.
- Keith ordered short and long sleeve shirts for members.
- Gary Baker and Jeff Bryant have been working on reassigning our channel 3 frequency from a repeater channel to a point to point operations channel. Gary has reprogrammed nearly all of the department radios. Do not use for interior operations as we are still testing reliability, however it can be used for traffic control. Keith also mentioned that he would like to start using VTAC channels for calls, particularly those where mutual aid is requested.
- No updates on Water 2 or Brush 1. Keith has been researching pricing for a new Chassis for Brush 1. Hoping to order the new chassis by the end of the year, however it may be pushed into next year.
- Will be having an open house at the station on the 12th from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Please be at the station for 6:00pm on Thursday to help with cleanup and 7:30am on the 12th to help with set up.
- The county meeting will be at the station on the 16th at 7:00pm. Members are encouraged to attend. Please arrive by 6:30pm.
- The final inspection for the alarm system at the school is October 18th at 8:30am.
- We have started passing around a sign in sheet for business meetings as well as maintenance and trainings.

New Business

- Training will tentatively be ladders on both the 17th and 24th.
- Andrew Dunsmore proposed doing a helicopter landing zone training.
- Hazmat refresher will be December 12th starting at 6:00pm. Remember this is a required training for anyone with a Firefighter I or II certification.
- Keith thanked those who took the time to go to the Franklin Lamoille Fire School.
- Overhead doors have been fixed. The safety is now working properly.
- Will Jones is part of the highway department and has joined the Fire Department.

- New roads in town: Wildwood Drive, off from Sand Hill Road and Napoleon Drive will be off Reynolds Roads.
- A past firefighter, Eugene Bates, passed away this morning. Keith will notify members about funeral arrangements.
- Pat has contacted the state E911 Board and is looking to get new map books made for the trucks.
- Remember to circulate pumps on the engines in cold weather and make sure the station doors are closed.

Motion to adjourn made by Jamie Cota seconded by Andrew Dunsmore, motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 9:16pm.

Select Board Concerns

- None