

Georgia Fire Department
Regular Business Meeting
July 11, 2019
Approved: August 1, 2019

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

Present: 17 Excused: 2 Absent: 12

Meeting called to order by Keith Baker at 8:17pm.

Old Business

- Minutes of the previous meeting read by the secretary. Motion to accept made by Jamie Cota seconded by Jamieson Barber, motion passed.
- Remember that for fire alarms in areas with hydrants, both engines should respond before any tankers.
- Engine 1 headsets have been updated. You should not longer need to push a button to speak regardless of seating position.
- Engine 2 is back in service. There have been some changes to where equipment is stored on the truck. Please familiarize yourself with the truck if you have not done so already. There is no extrication equipment on the truck.
- For vehicle crashes, response order is Engine 1, Water 1 and Brush 1 with Engine 2 for a working extrication or as requested.
- Engine 2 now has a headset system. The system is used and was donated. We only had to pay for installation.
- The old Engine 1 is now out of service and will be listed for sale. It will need to be cleaned up so that pictures can be taken. Hose will be left on the truck until after hose testing.
- Hose testing is July 17th. Please be at the station if you are going to help.
- Keith thanked those who helped at and attended the BBQ.
 - Firefighter of the Year: Jamieson Barber
 - Officer of the Year: Michael Baker
 - Safety Award: Jeff Bryant
 - Community Service Award: Malcolm Baker
- The VSFA conference is in Middlebury on the 18th and 19th.
- Franklin Lamoille Fire School applications should be in by July 25th.

New Business

- Firefighter I and II classes have been released. Locations are not very close this year.
- National Fire Academy classes have also been posted for 2019-2020.
- Training will be rural water supply, with driver and pump training.
- Eric Couture asked members for suggestions for training that members would like to see.
- Discussed possibility of a weekend training. Looking at doing an advanced vehicle extrication. Tentatively scheduled for August 4th starting at 8:00am and will plan to be done around noon.

- Some members missed last quarter's quarterly SCBA training. We are planning to offer a make up on the fifth Thursday in August. Everyone is welcome, regardless of whether you missed the first training.
- Everyone needs to submit a copy of your CPR/AED cards that should have been emailed to you. You can email them or print them out.
- Quinton Banus has joined the department. He works with Todd and lives on Plains Road. Three more members have been approved by the Select Board.
- Keith thanked Jamie, Landon Baker and Pat King for preparing Engine 1 and taking it to the Milton Parade.
- Keith read a thank you card from a resident.
- New sledgehammers and New York hooks have been added to both engines.
- Keith thanked everyone who put in time to get Engine 2 back in service.
- Pat has given every interior firefighter a second clip for their second ID tag and is making a second tag for all non-interior driver/operator firefighters.
- Need more batteries for pagers. If you need a battery, make sure you notify Gary Baker if you take one so we can maintain a stock of batteries.

Motion to adjourn made by Jamie Cota seconded by Andrew Dunsmore, motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 9:08pm.

Select Board Concerns

- None