

Georgia Fire Department
Regular Business Meeting
July 6, 2017
Approved: August 3, 2017

Present: 16 Excused: 1 Absent: 12

Meeting called to order by Keith Baker at 8:01pm.

Old Business

- Minutes of the previous meeting read by the secretary. Motion to accept with corrections made by Jamie Cota seconded by Andy Vincent, motion passed.
- Reminder to anyone who wants to attend the Franklin Lamoille Fire School to submit your application tonight. Dates are September 23rd and 24th.
- Tentative Calcutta date has been set for March 24th.
- Fire department BBQ will be on August 20th.
- Hose testing is on July 20th. Please let Keith know if you can help.
- Franklin County Fire Association Calcutta tickets are still available. See Keith if interested.
- VSFA convention is this weekend in Rutland.
- No new news on Firefighter II course locations.
- Fall Fest and Soccer Jamboree is on September 9th and the fire department will be involved with both.
- Keith briefed the fire department regarding the latest information regarding the National Fallen Firefighter Memorial weekend passed along by Steve Lapierre's family. Department has not yet received information from the Association of National Fallen Firefighters. Keith will follow up again.
- Recently the maintenance room door has been repeatedly left open. Please remember to close the door when you are done.
- Remember to wash and refuel trucks after calls and training.

New Business

- Training will be SCBA quarterlies.
- There is a candidate physical ability testing (CPAT) opportunity this fall. Orientation dates are September 12th, 13th and 14th, and test dates are November 7th, 8th and 9th. Applications are due by September 1st and can be done via the state's website. See Keith if you have any questions about the test.
- If you are on the state's training email list you should have received a link to a survey. Please fill out the survey if you have received it.
- Rope rescue course being offered in Williston.
- Jamieson suggested getting a card for the department to sign for Bill Lumbr, a dispatcher who has recently retired from dispatching.
- Fireworks permits in the state of Vermont require the fire chief to give approval and sign. Keith has not signed any permits and will not unless it is for a public

- show by a licensed professional. It is the responsibility of the police to enforce laws, not the fire department.
- Department received a Vermont League of Cities and Towns for OnSpot chains for Tanker 1, which have already been installed, and Engine 2, which have not yet been installed. Keith read instructions for operation.
 - Chris Gonyeau has requested to be moved back to reserve status. Andy Vincent made a motion to move Chris to reserve status retroactive to the date of the request, June 1st, Jamieson Barber seconded, motion passed.
 - Please keep the fans on in the apparatus bay.
 - Required sexual harassment training is next Thursday at the fire station at 2:30pm and 7:00pm. You only need to attend one session. Please let Keith know which one you will be attending. If you have taken it in the past you do not need to attend again this year.
 - New town personnel policy was distributed with an acknowledgement to be signed by all members.
 - Distributed a critical incident stress information sheet to members with signs and symptoms. Everyone is encouraged to read the sheets and keep it in mind as well as to share the information with a close friend or family member as they will often notice before we will. There are resources available should they be needed.
 - Need to come up for a solution to prevent 4" hose couplings from damaging rear view cameras when laying hose.
 - Chris Latorneau's mother passed away. He is a select board member and state fire inspector.

Motion to adjourn made by Andrew Dunsmore seconded by Andy Vincent, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.