

Georgia Fire Department  
Regular Business Meeting  
August 3, 2017  
Approved: September 7, 2017

Present: 13                      Excused: 3                      Absent: 13

Meeting called to order by Keith Baker at 7:06pm.

### **Old Business**

- Minutes of the previous meeting read by the secretary. Motion to accept made by Jamie Cota seconded by Bob Williams, motion passed.
- Keith emailed invite for the fire department BBQ on August 20<sup>th</sup>. All reservations have been made for food and the venue.
- Firefighter II locations have been announced. Nothing is nearby. Firefighter I will be offered in Milton.
- Reserve status has been discontinued as of the May 20<sup>th</sup> adoption of the new town personnel policy. Several other changes have been made in the policy which affect the department and all members should read them if you have not done so already.
- Reminder that when you respond to a call and are standing by at the station you should be at the station for the duration unless cleared to leave by command.
- Remember to update the town with any address changes. Also let the secretary know so department records can be updated.
- Keith thanked Gary Baker and Jamie Cota for helping with hose testing.
- Please let Keith know soon if you plan to go to the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial. There are a number of preparations that need to be made including security clearance and background checks. Will need a department member to serve as an escort for the family. Keith has received information however he is working to confirm a number of details that are unclear from the information he received. Dates are October 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Business**

- Training will be pumps and drafting.
- New town policy allows for \$10 per day stipend for pre-approved training outside the department. Must present a copy of the training certificate within two week of receiving it.
- Keith was contacted by a contractor that they have been doing work in confined spaces in town. We are not qualified for confined space entry. Should a rescue be required, Colchester Technical Rescue is the nearest capable agency.
- Two new batteries are in for the SCBAs so one truck can have all of its batteries swapped at one time. A second RIT connection has also been received. After discussion it has been decided that the second connection will go on Engine 1.
- Brush has overgrown at corner of Oakland Station Road and Conger Road. There is limited visibility. Use caution when navigating the area when responding to calls.

- Truck committee is close to receiving quotes; only need one more meeting.
- MSA has recently released an integrated thermal imaging camera into the packs and there is currently a deal which would allow us to upgrade our current packs for roughly \$800 per pack. Keith will try to get a demo for this month's training. Would have to act by the end of the month.

Motion to adjourn made by Jamie Cota seconded by Andy Vincent, motion passed.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.