

Centerville-Osterville Marstons Mills Fire Department
Fire Commissioners' Meeting
June 17, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting will come to order at 1700 and will be recorded. We will begin our meeting with public comment. If you wish to provide public comment, please raise your hand, and wait to be called on by the chair. Speakers should identify themselves when called on to speak. Each speaker may have a minimum of three minutes. To be complaint with the Open Meeting Law, the board may choose not to engage in discussion on a particular comment but may wish to include the topic on a future agenda. The Board of Fire Commissioners strives to maintain an orderly and peaceable public meeting environment.

Fire Commissioners Macallister, Riley, and Brown were in attendance along with Chief Winn, Chief Eldridge, Deputy Hill, N. Kennedy, and T. Laffey.

Roll call was taken. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the May 20, 2024, meeting.

There were no ambulance waivers.

CORRESPONDENCE

Deputy Eldridge has sent a letter to James Lydon regarding ambulance billing.

PERSONNEL

C. Rogers is still out after back surgery. Continuing with physical therapy.

Timothy Booth has accepted the position of Fire Prevention Officer to replace Deputy Hill. Timothy will start on July 1, 2024. **Deputy Hill FPO Booth is coming from Hyannis Fire Department and lives in the District.**

Firefighter interviews will be held on Thursday June 27, 2024. COMM received over 40 applications for the opening.

Lt. Mike Rogers has been named the new training officer.

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention continued this month with routine inspections both commercial and residential. Resale/transfer inspections were up for the month.

Our Community Outreach "Senior Safe" campaign continues to flourish with these being conducted on Saturdays from 0900-1300 with help from our newly established Community Outreach Team. This program, which continues to grow year after year, continues to receive praise throughout the community. The Junior firefighter program ended the year with them being able to spray water from an engine and meeting smokey Bear.

FPO Lehane attended the annual two-day educational seminar in Southbridge.

This past month a total of (88) permits were issued by the Fire Prevention Office while collecting (\$2200) in permit fees. Resale inspections of homes were the most common type of permit (44) and inspection (46). Overall Fire Prevention completed (101) inspections and/or activities, (11) of which were part of our Community Outreach "Senior Safe" campaign.

EMS

Ten (10) new AED's approved at District Meeting have been ordered. Anticipated delivery during summer of 2024.

No updated delivery date for two (2) new F-550 Ambulances.

EMS equipment and supplies in good working order. Will replace some worn bags after July 1, 2024.

Continuous QA/QI occurs daily. No major problems have been noted. Crews continue to do an excellent job on EMS incidents.

DISPATCH

For the month of May COMM units were dispatched to 413 calls for service. That is a decrease of 58 calls compared to last May. Of the 415 calls 277 were EMS or MV related, 121 were fire, alarm, or service related, and 15 were fire prevention Senior Safe visits.

In addition, COMM dispatched 88 calls for Cotuit FD in May with a total of 472 calls dispatched.

Continuing to train 3 new part time dispatchers; all are making good progress and expect to finish most of their training in June.

EQUIPMENT

A324 & A325 – Brought to Greenwood to address a/c issues.

A326 – Installed new motor on liquid spring pump and replaced dump valve.

E303 & E306 – Allegiance come to HQ and replaced front end ball joints.

E304 – Installed new tires.

E305 – Recalibrated foam gauge.

L307 – Replaced bearings on the driver's side and replaced hydraulic filters. D. Brown loaned a camera to mechanic
Received Class A foam, filled all engine tanks.

B312 trailer – Replaced winch and hubs and rewired lights.

TRAINING

The COMM Training Division is in the process of re-development with input from Deputy Chief Hill and Lt M. Rogers. Department members are eager and willing to train therefore the vision is to build a culture that embraces ongoing training and professional development.

Six (6) department members are participating in a thirty-two-hour *NASBLA* (National Association of State Boating Law Administration) Crew Member Class the week of June 20th. The class is a combination of classroom and practical marine evolutions.

On June 26th FDNY Deputy Chief George Healey came to HQ to present on Modern Fire Behavior.

OPERATIONS

Marine Division

Marine 310 is in service in the water at Crosby Yacht Yard. The Department responded to four marine-related incident as of May 31, 2024. There have been 37.5 hours of operator-based, and 93.5 total personnel hours of underway time logged in the 2024 calendar year. All small boats are in service at their respective stations.

Dive Team

The Dive Team conducted training in May at Wequaquet Lake, and the focus was radial search patterns. The Team was activated for a missing swimmer in Dennis but was canceled prior to response.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Lawn maintenance at all stations

Contacted Bayside Pest Control to treat for carpenter ants at Station 1.

Cleaning all HVAC vents and returns at all stations.

BUDGET

See attached budget sheet.

PLANNING

COMMITTEES

Bunker Gear Committee meeting with multiple vendors to test each set of bunker gear.

New OSHA Regulations for the Fire Service coming within the 6 months to two years.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES (IT)

MISCELLANEOUS

Change of Command Ceremony June 28th from 0900-1100 hrs.

Chief Winn last day lunch June 28th from 1200-1400 hrs.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 1726. Next meeting is July 8, 2024, at 5pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Brown", written over a horizontal line.

Doug Brown, Clerk