

Centerville-Osterville Marstons Mills Fire Department
Fire Commissioners' Meeting
May 20, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting will come to order at 1702 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, Deputy Eldridge, Deputy Hill, N. Kennedy, and T. Laffey.

Roll call was taken. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the April 22, 2024, meeting.

There were no ambulance waivers.

Congratulations to Deputy Chief Patrick Hill.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chief Winn – There was a public information request.

PERSONNEL

R. DiPilato returned to full duty on May 13th.

J. Davern returned to full duty on May 10th.

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention continued this month with routine inspections both commercial and residential. Although resale/transfer inspections were down from the month, FPO's conducted numerous business inspections focusing mainly in the Centerville area.

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 had this month off, we will end the year next month with bringing an engine to the schools along with Smokey the Bear.

FPO Lehane attended this month's FPAM meeting which was held in Auburn with a presentation by Chief Larry Fisher on Electrical Safety, Captain Greg Morin on Propane Inspections, and Chirs Faucher on Oil Burner and Tank Inspections.

This past month a total of (72) permits were issued by the Fire Prevention Office while collecting (\$1720) in permit fees. Resale inspections of homes were the most common type of permit (30) and inspection (42). Overall Fire Prevention completed (113) inspections and/or activities, (7) of which were part of our Community Outreach "Senior Safe" campaign.

EMS

EMS Officer has returned to full duty effective May 10, 2024.

Working with FF DePippo on updating protocols and future training for HANDTEVY Pediatric Program.

Assisting COMM Water Dept. with purchase and training of an AED for Water Dept. office.

No update on the estimated delivery of 2 new F-550 ambulances.

All EMS equipment and supplies remain in good working order.

DISPATCH

During the month of April COMM units were dispatched to 395 calls, which is down by 20 compared to last April. Of the 395, 270 were EMS or MV related, 115 fire, alarm or service related, and 10 were fire prevention Senior Safe visits or public education.

In addition, 73 calls were dispatched for Cotuit Fire Department in April.

Dispatch training – Dispatcher Julie Perkins has recently completed CISD Team training, the first COMM Dispatcher to be on that team. She is also taking the EMT class this spring.

Two (2) additional part-time dispatchers have been hired and will be working on their training during May and June.

EQUIPMENT

A324 – Exhaust leaking, brought to Allegiance in Rhode Island for repair.

A325 – Replaced two (2) speakers and rear struts on the spring suspension.

A326 – Check engine light came on, brought to Allegiance in Rhode Island. White at Allegiance warranty items were addressed.

Spare Ambulance – Found leak on the filter housing, made repair.

E303 – Replaced drivers' side dual tires.

E304 – Water gauge not working properly, cleaned tank and refilled.

E306 – Replaced both air intake pressure sensor and barometric sensor.

L307 – Replaced brackets for the handrail leading up to the turn table.

Brush Truck 317 – Replaced batteries.

C302 – Ordered new mounts and sway bar, awaiting parts to replace.

C329 – Replaced rear door weather seal and faulty clips on back trim panel.

New 308 – Truck will be outfitted by the dealership by the end of the month.

TRAINING

OPERATIONS

Marine Division

Marine 310 is in service in the water at Crosby Yacht Yard. The Department responded to one marine-related incident in 2024. There have been 10.5 hours of operator-based, and 21.5 total personnel hours of underway time logged in the 2024 calendar year through April 30th. All small boats are in service at their respective stations. Repairs/adjustments have been made to the shox seats and radar, and the electronics package have been updated with the latest software updates.

Dive Team

The Dive Team conducted training in April at Cahoon Road Beach on Long Pond in Harwich with the County and Hyannis teams. The focus was large area search patterns.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Irrigation has been turned on at all stations.

Station 1 – Ready Rooter made repairs to several 3” drain lines, snaked/cleaned 1st floor kitchen sink and replaced two (2) ball valves in ceiling. State inspection complete on new compressor. Performed plumbing punch list. Installed a/c in dispatch.

Station 2 – Replaced light bulbs as needed in recess lighting.

Station 3 – Replaced light bulbs as needed in recess lighting and repaired overhead door #2.

BUDGET

See attached budget sheet.

PLANNING

COMMITTEES

Chief Winn – the reading list for the captain’s exam has been published. The Apparatus committee is currently in a holding pattern, and the Gear committee is working on a trial size for nonstructural gear.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES (IT)

Deputy Eldridge – R. Sargent has been upgrading computers. Along with upgrading the projector, screen, and speakers in the meeting hall.

MISCELLANEOUS

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

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 1730hrs. Next meeting is June 17, 2024, at 5pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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

Doug Brown, Clerk