

BOLTON FIRE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018
MINUTES

Chairman John Morianos convened the Bolton Fire Commission meeting at 7:02 p.m. at the firehouse. Commission members present were Cheryl Udin and Robert Langton. Deputy Fire Chief Pete Morra and Fire Marshal James Rupert were also in attendance. Chris Moquin and John Roback was at a call.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Motion to approve the July 23, 2018 minutes. (CM/JM) V.U.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS – Bills that were paid in August were circulated.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPUTY CHIEF

- The Bolton Volunteer Fire Department responded to many routine calls, motor vehicle accidents and opioid calls.
- Service 234 is down.
- The Ladder Truck has some emission problems.
- The Training site area was discussed. Once the vehicles are removed the town employees of the Parks Department and Highway Department will cut the trees and remove the wood. This should be done soon.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT

- The work of the Ad Hoc committee for the future of the fire code in CT is coming to a close. It appears that the group is close to making a final recommendation. Fire Marshal Jim Rupert (FMJR) would expect that we will meet one or two more times to finalize our decisions and draft a letter of recommendation.
- Final inspections have been completed for 1120 Boston Turnpike and the CO was issued.
- Inspections were performed at both the Center School and High School prior to the start of school. Both inspections went well. Follow up inspections will be conducted during the next couple of weeks.
- An inspection was conducted for the Montessori School.
- FMJR will continue to communicate and follow up with Villa Louisa on outstanding issues.
- FMJR will be participating in a School and Town safety forum on October 10, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the High School as Fire Marshal and EMD. It will be a panel that will include school and town officials as well as Chief Dixon and TFC Contenta. Each panelist will provide an opening statement and then it will be opened to the public for a question and answer period.

- The office of the Bolton Fire Marshal conducted inspections for the Lutz Museum Farm day along with the Building Department. Fire prevention promotion items were given to children and the Fire Department was present. Smokey the Bear outfit was borrowed from DEEP but the weather was too warm for use.
- The Fire Marshals Office conducted inspections for transition from propane to natural gas at Simoniz and Bolton vet. FMJR responded to a gas incident at Bolton Vet which was a false alarm due to work on boiler.
- We have purchased supplies for fire prevention which will take place in October at the Center School in conjunction with BVFD. The theme for Fire Prevention Month is, look, listen and learn, be aware fire can happen anywhere.
- As we get back into the fall months continuing education classes and conferences are happening all over the country. FMJR will be attending the ICC conference in Richmond Virginia in October. The International Code Council is responsible for developing the IBC and IFC codes which apply to all new construction in CT. The State has adopted a new set of codes that take effect on October 1, 2018.
- We have been involved in the construction of the new cistern on Notch Road it is not yet completed but we are pushing for completion this week so it can be tested.
- There have been no fire incidents since my last report that have required investigation or reporting.

OLD BUSINESS – The sign in front of the fire house was discussed. A silhouette of a firefighter may be a possibility. This will be researched further.

NEW BUSINESS – None

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, October 22, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 8:15 (RL/CU) V.U.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet K. Assard
Board Clerk

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