

BOLTON FIRE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024

BOLTON FIRE HOUSE – 7:00 P.M. and Via Zoom

Fire Commission Chairman John Morianos convened the Bolton Fire Commission meeting at 7:02 P.M. at the Bolton Fire House.

Commission members present were John Morianos, Chris Moquin and Robert Langton. Also present was Chief Bruce Dixon and Fire Marshal Bill Call. Danny Moquin and Elizabeth Malone were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion to approve the January 22, 2024 meeting minutes (RL/CM) VU.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – None

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF –

- 55 emergency calls since the last meeting
- Two fire calls at the Bolton Congregational Church
- A chimney fire on Keeney Drive
- A furnace call on Tinker Pond Road
- A garage fire Hebron Road
- A motor vehicle accident on Route 44, Storm Standby and a CPR
- Mutual Aid standby in Glastonbury.
- Structure fire in Hebron and Vernon
- ET134 January 20, 2024 training with Firematic, Field training with ET134 / ET334 / T234
- EMT refresher this past weekend for 20 hours
- Budget presentations on January 23, 2024 and February 21, 2024 with the Board of Selectmen. The selectmen cut \$4,000 from training in reference to ET334 and ECFS and cut one Lieutenant position. The Proficiency Fund to stand alone in the budget, not in Payroll

Chris asked what the process is to put out a chimney fire. Chief Dixon explained the process.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT –

Activities:

- 2 Knox Box Installations, one was a senior resident
- Update ESO inspections
- Attended CRFMA in Windsor
- Respond with BVFD for appliance fire

- Respond with BVFD for heating system failure – Congregational Church
- Budget meeting with selectmen
- Meeting at senior center with Carrie, building official, town administrator and Chief Dixon about reporting life hazards. This is a new process where a form can be completed if someone sees a hoarding situation. Other departments such as the fire department, health department and or senior services can assist. Chief Dixon mentioned that if a BVFD member has a concern that it should be reported to him first.
- Life Safety lecture at senior center
John asked Bill if the release forms that apartment tenants sign can be loaded into the ESO reports. Bill replied that they could be attached to the file.

Inspections since last meeting:

- Apartments 10, 12, 14 on Carpenter Road inspected 3 times. The yearly inspections are now completed
- 1 burn permit
- Indian Notch Park inspection for outdoor activities that will include a fire pit
- New portable town offices
- Preparation for South Road apartment inspection – starts tomorrow
Chief Dixon asked if the portable town offices have keys. Bill replied that the master key will work for all doors.

DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT - None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – The fire chief job description has been provided to the Board of Selectmen. John mentioned that we cannot keep waiting and we cannot wait for a study to be completed.

Next meeting scheduled for March 25, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn at 7:25 pm (CM/RL) VU

Respectfully submitted,

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Board Clerk