

Warren Township Volunteer Fire Department

August 1, 2018 Agenda

Adequate notice of this meeting was given by posting a copy on the Township Bulletin Board and sending a copy to the Township Clerk, Courier News and Echoes Sentinel as required by the Open Public Meeting Act.

Police Report: SOP for wire down should dispatch FD. J. Cohen & Chief Russo spoke about protocol over the phone.

Administrative Items

- Quarterly FD meeting is August 20 at Washington Valley
- 1 page 2018 budget distributed
- If you haven't been receiving emails from the FD, please email department@mail.warrenfire.org to join the list
- Oxygen at 136 Liberty Corner Road
- Hold September 9 for Warren FD Car Show
- Somerset Patriots First Responders Night September 11 (see attached)
- Florham Park First Aid Squad Wet Down September 22 (see attached)
- Fire Officer 1 state cert policy discussion: Not all Assistant Fire Chiefs have Fire Officer 1 cert. Give them more time was suggested. State requirements are FF1 & FF2, Haz Mat Ops & Awareness, Incident Management, Fire instructor, etc. Town doesn't recognize Battalion Chief but was suggested to amend the township ordinance. We can inquire about Battalion Chief state requirements. Assistant Fire Chiefs that don't meet the cert requirements can still attend & represent their firehouse at meetings but on fire calls it's a different story, safety is a priority & trying to keep up with the state standards.
- Need to submit NFIRS fire reports to state asap for 2018. Linda emailed members on July 2 to complete reports. Per Chief Russo, please complete green areas and approve incident. State will withhold grants for the town if we don't submit reports to state.
- List of members that still need Harassment training, need sign in sheet from last week's training. Linda emailed members on July 20 and Chiefs of who still need to take training. Associates & Juniors are recommended to take this training. If you haven't taken this course and you don't attend this session, your gear should be pulled.
- Thanks to A. Kachidurian & T. Reedman for volunteering for the Recreation Camp/Family Picnic on July 26

Old Business

- Reminder: ALL SCBA, equipment checks, and Engineer apparatus checks shall be emailed to lpalumbo@warrennj.org upon completion.
- Chief Russo needs to replace knox box batteries in Engine 61-2, Rescue 61 & Car 61.
- Chief Russo would like driver qualifications & requalification packets completed. Chief Russo emailed the one page compiled requalification packet thanks to C. Young.
- Community & WV engine rescheduled for hose testing. Linda will call Fail Safe when new hoses arrive.
- NIMS requirements, please submit your certs (county & state certs) to Linda. There are 4 members that still need to do this.
- T. Byrne is making progress on the Emergency Vehicle Response policy to all Chiefs. Chiefs are to review for August's meeting. We need drug & alcohol policy before we approve this Emergency Vehicle Response so approval is pending amendment.
- J. Mitchell submitted a 5" LDH hose PO for Engine 3 & 4.
- J. Mitchell needs a Washington Valley member's name for turnout gear.
- Presidents met to discuss the building rentals & all agreed
- Chief Russo completed Knox Box code for N. Grieco
- August 6 approximately 1pm for reinspection of firehouses for PMA insurance, thanks to T. Byrne for coordinating.
- 76 Stirling Road fire watch payment was received

New Business

- Eye wash station
- Firefighter rehab discussion

Drills/Training

- Ladder training on new ladder truck in July was successful; pump ops and general operations to be scheduled and run by a Fire Safety instructor
- The 2018 Training Schedule (captains please coordinate)
- Washington Valley will do a tanker drill on August 22
- Mt. Bethel will do advanced tactics on the ladder truck in September
- D. Dante scheduled a live burn on October 13 at 8:30am at Somerset County
- New techniques for tanker task force for November. J. Mitchell will find a volunteer
- CPR was suggested for December
- Mayday training in the future

Vehicle Maintenance & Apparatus

- New ladder truck needs a nozzle and turn table diagnostic
- Fail Safe testing is completed
- Monthly Vehicle Maintenance report was distributed.
- The valve on passenger side doesn't open on Community's engine.
- Community's tanker passenger side duct shoot opens.
- Fire Police vehicle's rollout is torn and there's gas damage.
- Washington Valley's engine went out for annual preventative maintenance.

Fire Prevention

- October 11 is scheduled with 4 elementary schools.

Fire Police

Radios/Communications

- Community's engine radio is malfunctioning.
- Chief Russo got Ken a charger.

Open Discussion