

Warren Township Volunteer Fire Department

November 6, 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:

Administrative Items

- 1 page 2018 FD budget distributed
- November 19 Department meeting at Mt. Horeb, 8pm
- November 20 Drive Thru Breakfast at Chelsea 8:15-10am

Old Business

- Fire Officer 1 state cert policy discussion: Not all Assistant Fire Chiefs have Fire Officer 1 cert. J. Mitchell distributed a draft exception to the training policy which would give Captains & Assistant Chiefs a 2 year extension to get Firefighter 2 and Fire Officer 1. Washington Valley, Mt. Horeb & Community are not in favor of this change or anything more than the state requirements. Community would like to remove for Captain and part of it for Assistant Chief. A suggestion was made for the Chief to attend an occasional fire company meeting. Please bring written recommendations to the November meeting to further discuss this topic.
- Need to submit NFIRS fire reports to state asap for April 2018 and onward. Linda emailed members 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. Assistant Chiefs please monitor reports since members are putting their names on fire calls that don't attend calls.
- Reminder: ALL SCBA, equipment checks, and Engineer apparatus checks shall be emailed to lpalumbo@warrennj.org upon completion.
- Chief Russo would like driver qualifications & requalification packets completed. Chief Russo emailed the one page compiled requalification packet thanks to C. Young & was emailed to the FD. Warrenfire.org under downloads is the packet. Linda will run a report for the November meeting.
- Received Community & Washington Valley hoses. Hoses need to be re-racked, already tested, trying to find a vendor.
- T. Byrne is making progress on the Emergency Vehicle Response policy to all Chiefs. Chiefs are to review. Working on drug & alcohol policy which is needed before we approve this Emergency Vehicle Response so approval is pending amendment. In Administrative review.
- Mt. Horeb needs gloves S, M, L & XXL. If you need gloves, contact J. Mitchell
- B. Gaiser will handle ordering more pager & air pack batteries.
- Fit testing needs to be scheduled soon.

Old Business continued

- Rescue Truck committee consists of A. Fitch, D. Pepe & D. Reedman looked at 5 vendors and narrowed it down to 2 vendors.

New Business

Drills/Training

- The 2018 Training Schedule (captains please coordinate)
- New techniques for tanker task force for November 28. J. Mitchell will find a volunteer
- CPR was suggested for December. Contact D. Reedman if you are interested in taking CPR. Linda emailed CPR report to the Assistant Chiefs. D. Dante, M. Foley and D. Acosta recently attended CPR. Linda will follow up on their CPR cards.
- Mayday training in the future

Vehicle Maintenance & Apparatus

- Monthly Vehicle Maintenance report was distributed.
- Engine 2 has an air leak
- Fire Police vehicle's rollout is torn and there's gas damage. K. Phillips will talk to Line-X on Rt. 22

Fire Prevention

- Thanks to all who volunteered for Fire Prevention at the elementary and preschools.
- Fire hydrant is out of service near Starbucks. Please email Chief Russo if you see any hydrants that need to be repaired.

Fire Police

- B. Task is inactive temporarily

Radios/Communications

- Community's engine radio is malfunctioning.
- Town is working on radio microwaves.

Open Discussion