

# **Bennington, NH Fire and Rescue Department**

## **Minutes of the Meeting – August 4, 2009**

- Meeting called to order following close of BFD Association meeting.
- Upcoming Construction Discussed
  - Project has started/PSNH has started moving wires.
  - Emergency contacts/call list forthcoming for construction issues.
  - No long-term road closures (FD will be notified ahead of time if short-term closures will affect the FD).
  - M. Hoiriis will continue to update with new information as received.
- Gossip
  - People have previously been advised to stop gossiping & “He said, She said” needs to stop.
- Pumps training Antrim/Basic Pumps Course
  - Scheduled for August 10, 12, and 16. Monday(10th) and Wednesday(12th) will start at 1800; Sunday (16th) all day.
  - **All welcome to attend the training** - Following people interested/taking the training....
    - S. Landi
    - S. Plourde
    - M. Roina
    - M. Hall
    - M. Hoiriis
    - R. Cahoon
    - A. Wilson
    - K. Jackson
- August Training
  - Combination training on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday (August 18)/Water Training
- Rescue Update
  - Body and Chassis are in
    - Being painted this week
    - Mounted
  - Tentative Completion Date is mid–September
  - Newspaper will be invited for PR when truck is commissioned (Fire Prevention Week).
- ID cards are believed to be in/this will be confirmed
- SOG’s – Paper will be in soon and SOG’s will be printed by SIMS (at no cost) & distributed.
- Station Computer
  - Computer down at this time/unknown cause.
  - R. Cahoon checking warranty/repair information.
  - Laptop being used at this time for Fire House & Tempsist only; no emails.

- Fire Prevention Week – October 23<sup>rd</sup> (RESCHEDULED FROM OCT 9<sup>th</sup>)
  - Event to be held at Pierce School
  - Mutual Aid Fire Safety Trailer reserved
- Rescue Boat Donation from Peterborough Fire Department Discussed
  - Insurance & Liability discussed.
  - A. Wilson will present donation to the Selectmen.
  - Water Rescue Training discussed/R. Cahoon will explore training options.
    - Training from Harrisville or New Ipswich discussed
    - A. Wilson advises that boat WILL NOT go into service without training.
    - Possibility of BFD hosting training discussed so that all interested members can receive proper training (Ice training/Life Saving Resources).
    - Show of hands indicates about 10 people present at meeting interested in receiving water rescue training.
- Miscellaneous Items
  - Make sure to initial/sign check sheets when marking trucks off at Sunday morning checks. (Engine 1 had low gas and dry generator)
- October Training
  - Discussion of burning 5 brush piles for October training exercise/Piles located on South Bennington Road at Ria Taylor's residence.