SARATOGA COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 25, 2022

7:00 pm

***City/Town Representatives:*** Bill Crawford – Ballston, Aaron Dyer – Charlton, Patrick Champagne – Clifton Park,

Graham Champagne – Corinth, Robert Williams – Greenfield, Pete Shaw – Malta, Tom Wood – Northumberland,

David Houston – Providence, Brian Myers – Saratoga, Tom Rinaldi – Stillwater, Don Baldwin – Waterford

***Excused***: Kevin Barkley Jr. – Galway, Art Hunsinger – Halfmoon, Kevin Krogh – Milton, Bill Morgan – Wilton

***Absent***: Alex Rockwell – Edinburg, Billy Winslow – Hadley, Matt Dunn – C/O Mechanicville, John Smith Jr. – Moreau,

Joseph Dolan – C/O Saratoga Springs

***Present:*** Fire Coordinator Ed Tremblay

***Guest***: Les Bonesteel – Deputy Fire Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, the pledge was said and a moment of silence was observed for fallen brethren.

On a motion made by Tom Wood, second by Bill Crawford, the minutes of the June 27, 2022 meeting were

unanimously approved.

Director Zeilman information

* The radio and microwave communications upgrade is progressing and we anticipate completion in September.

Fire Coordinator Tremblay

* State Classes running
* Truck Company Operations – July 13, 16x2, 18, 21, 27, August 1, 2, 2022 – 10 preregistered
* Apparatus Operator: EVOC – July 18, 22, 27x2, 29, 30x2, 2022 – 15 preregistered
* State Classes - future
* Fire Police – August 9, 11, 16, 18, 25, 27x2 – Fire Training Center – 17 preregistered
* Fire Officer 1 Module Series – September 12 – Fire Training Center
* State Classes finished
* Live Fire Training – NFPA 1403 – Saturday July 16, 2022 – Fire Training Center with 10
* FTC
* Still waiting for grant funds to clear for the new burn building. Starting to get price information together which was received from vendors.
* Municipal water project will be in service – finalizing reports.
* Training Center Operator is still awaiting Human Resources Approval.
* Meeting with welding contractor on 7/26 to review needed work.
* Miscellaneous
* Radio familiarization will be on August 23, 2022, 12:00 noon and 6:00 pm at the County Public Safety Building.
* Mutual Aid Plan status - changes being made.
* Add: HAZMAT, Radio Plan including frequency and line codes (?), Arson Control.
* Various inventory and resource lists.
* Fire Investigation Unit stats – June - 9, July - 4. Total as of 7/25/22 – 53 for 2022.
* Recruitment project – 20 individuals have shown interest in various agencies.

Chairman Shaw

* No information to bring forward

Vice Chairman Rinaldi

* No information to bring forward

Committees

* Hazmat – Bill Morgan information
* The team will be set up at the track during the Whitney and Travers.
* Mutual Aid
* No additional information
* Personnel – Patrick Champagne
* No report
* Fire Training Center – Bill Crawford
* Low on hay.
* Remember to clean up after use; the second floor was left uncleaned.
* The upstairs windows need locks – Ed to address.
* Legislative – Tom Rinaldi
* The Governor has not signed anything new.
* Budget – Ed
* If anyone has any suggestions to put into the budget for 2023, let me know.
* I will be requesting funds for repairs.
* One suggestion was to purchase tools to be kept at the FTC for all departments to use.
* Radio –
* No report
* Recruitment and Retention – Art Hunsinger information
* The next State Task Force meeting is August 3.

Old Business

* No additional old business to address.

New Business

* No new business to address.

Good and Welfare

* Pete – I received information on Youth Programs that I’m putting together.
* Kevin Krogh is in the hospital.
* The next meeting will be Monday August 29, 7:00 pm at the Fire Training Center.

On a motion made by Tom Rinaldi, second by Bill Crawford, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Kelly Cook

Office of Emergency Management