

**ALTON FIRE WARDS
ALTON FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT
ALTON, NH 03809**

January 12, 2005
Fire Wards Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Chairman Ken Roberts, Vice Chairman Richard Quindley, Board Member John Scott, Fire Chief Alan Johnson and Secretary Mary Jane Dascoli

The meeting was called to order at 4:30pm, at the Central Fire Station, by Chairman Roberts.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Scott made a motion to accept the agenda for the January 12, 2005 Meeting, seconded by Vice Chairman Quindley. All in favor, the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairman Quindley made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 22, 2004 Fire Ward Meeting; seconded by Member Scott. All in favor, the motion passed.

PUBLIC INPUT None

CORRESPONDENCE None

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Johnson reported on 2004 Year end totals: calls for service increased by 40; calls for home inspections increased as well impacting the Department's overall statistics. (Year 2003 = 551, Year 2004 = 779)

A discussion was held regarding C.O.'s issued in Town and the Board Members suggested the Fire Chief accompany the Building Inspector on these. The Fire Chief was asked to speak with the Building Inspector regarding their inspection forms to see if there is an area where the Fire Department can sign off.

A discussion was held regarding C.I.P., cuts made to the Fire Department budget and concerns relative to being able to purchase personal protective equipment for the members. The Chairman stated that the Town Administrator will have figures for him reflecting the Selectmen's recommendation to level fund this years budget.....more discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Johnson stated that the new Ambulance and new Rescue Truck are both being constructed. The Ambulance mid-build inspection should be the second week in February for a March delivery; the Rescue Truck inspection should be late March with a possible delivery of April.

The Chief reported that the addition at Central Station is in the finishing stages with the siding being put on now. As soon as the overhead door comes in, it will be installed. The door that is on now is only temporary so we could close up the building.

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OLD BUSINESS

Chief Johnson stated he and the Officer's are continuing to work on the S.O.G.'s. He will provide a copy for review at next month's meeting.

Chief Johnson stated that the work is progressing on the air compressor but he is still waiting on parts for this.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Member Scott to adjourn the meeting at 5:26pm; seconded by Vice Chairman Quindley. All in favor, the motion passed - meeting adjourned.


Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Dascoli
Recording Secretary

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Date approved

Ken Roberts, Chairman



Richard Quindley, Vice Chairman
/John Scott, Board Member

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