

Hamlin Township Fire Board

May 11, 2015

Present: Dave Boomer, Matt Gleason, Jon Reinke, Stan Black, Mark Risner

Ex-Officio: Scott Blackmer, Phil Bombreys

Called to order 7:05 pm by Jon Reinke

No public comments.

Scott reviewed the station exhaust system being installed. The system was ordered the first of May with a 4-6 week delivery. Trucks 1313, 1314, 1315 and 1318 being hooked up to the system. The fan will be on the side wall. The exhaust will be going through the wall not the roof.

Ken Hoying just retired.

We have two candidates to run through the interview process. We have 4-5 people who are day time help. We have three probationary fire fighters going through training. Station trainings are on the fourth Sunday of each month from 11-1. Some of the younger fire fighters are going to extra trainings in the area.

Dave Boomer mentioned that we might want to participate when the high school has career days.

We have had some issues with the brakes on 1313. The driver's front brakes were hanging up. The accuracy of gauges was also checked. There was a discrepancy of about 30 psi. Some of the engineers think 1313's backend is sagging. The truck has not been weighed. Stan Black suggested that we weigh the truck. Scott said he would get it weighed and have the weights at the next meeting.

We have used 1313 CAFs system on two house fires and two barn fires. It works very well.

We recently overhauled the pay system. There were some discrepancies in the pay rate. If someone is acting officer for an extended period of time, they will be compensated for the time they will compensated accordingly. The 2015 adjusted pay rates were discussed and the board voted to recommend these to the township board. The fire board also agreed that people be compensated for years of service even if the time was with another department at the fire chief's discretion. He would check references, expertise, and set up parameters.

Mark Risner suggested we pay people who get up in the night, 12-4, a bonus for showing up to runs.

Phil told the board there will not be any changes with ambulance service this year.

August 10 is the next scheduled meeting. We may need to reschedule if there is not a quorum.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.