

Dover Board of Fire Engineers

July 10, 2023

4:30pm

Minutes

Meeting held in Dover Fire House

Board Members Present: Ford Spalding, Jim Dawley & Kate Cannie
Officers Present: Chief Paul Luttazi & Deputy Chief Edward Kornack
Others Attending: Inspector David Tiberi, Department Administrator Rich Tiberi & Warrant Committee Member Peter Smith

Ford Spalding called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

The Minutes of May 2, 2023, June 5, 2023 & June 23, 2023 were approved by roll call vote.

The following Department vouchers were reviewed, approved by roll call vote, and signed:

Fire	\$ 242.50
Fire	\$ 1,679.27
Fire	\$ 6,874.30
Ambulance	\$ 1,111.31
Ambulance	\$13,706.38
Ambulance	\$ 30.81

Officer's Report: 24 Fire Calls for the month / 26 Ambulance calls for the month. Chief Luttazi reported on the Dover Deli, 60 Centre Street, fire of July 10

The Meeting adjourned at 5:25pm by a motion and vote of the Board. The first of three tones went out at 4am after a call went to the Police Station by a car operator passing through the town center. Responding to the working fire were 18 Dover fire personnel and 3 EMT's along with the Sherborn, Medfield and Westwood fire departments. The fire was confined to the Dover Deli space. The Chief commended the department for their prompt and professional response and was very appreciative of Medfield and Westwood fire departments' support.

Over the next month CPR recertification training will take place. The Chief congratulated Mike Murphy for his graduation from the Fire Academy. The Department was notified of a complaint by the Office of Emergency Medical Services about our handling of a particular incident. The situation was addressed to their satisfaction. The plan for final approval and distribution of the Department Guidelines is as follows: At the August 8th Board Meeting the Board of Fire Engineers will approve the document. It will then be disseminated to the Department personnel in September, and they will have two weeks to submit questions. Two weeks after it will become effective and each member of the Department will be directed to sign it as received.

Chief Luttazi notified the Board that Engine One may increase in price by \$74,000 due to the Cummings L9 engines will no longer be available because of new emissions standards for new vehicles. The new X12 engines (which will comply with the new emissions standards) will now be the mandated engines which mean additional costs. The May 12, 2023, annual Town Meeting approved the purchase price of \$990,000 which was the original quote for the vendor. The Board understands if this is the case it will require Town Meeting approval. The Board requested that the Chief work with the vendor to find ways to reduce the costs to keep the purchase on budget. The Chief has had several meetings with the vendor and is working on this to find a solution. One may be to see if we can obtain an existing L9 engine. The actual construction is a year away.

Our next meeting is August 8, 2023 @ 4:30pm in the Fire House.

Respectfully submitted.

Ford Spalding

Chair Board of Fire Engineers