

Chippewa Fire District
District Officers Meeting Minutes
August 4, 2022, at 18:30
(In person and via Zoom)

Meeting called to order by Chief Scott Bernette at 18:30 hours with the following Officers present: Scott Bernette, John Andersen, Mike Nowak, Samantha McTaggart, Clayton McTaggart, Derek Lane (online), Joe Ludwigson, Charles Holloway (online), Eric Hennlich (online), TJ Schemenauer, Duane Wallsch (online), Joe Schindler (online), Cory Scheidler, and Peter Arriola

Approve Last Meeting Minutes – Motion made by Joe Ludwigson and seconded by Mike Nowak to approve the June 2, 2022, minutes as posted. Motion passed on a roll call vote 10-0.

Training: Part 6 of 7: (Live Fire Tests) and Part 7 of 7: (Organizational Change) NIST & UL Research on Fire Behavior posted on webpage

Old Business:

Signing up for Fire/EMS related events and documentation uploading: Chief Bernette reviewed the new way of submitting documentation for calls, meetings, trainings, and worknights by uploading them. Also talked about how to put the documentation and labeling.

New Business:

SOP 102 Disciplinary Action: Chief Bernette went over the possible changes to this SOP. The changes were talked. Motion made by John Andersen and seconded by James Campbell to approve as presented with review by attorney. Motion passed on a roll call vote 10-0.

Qualification and Membership (Members and Officers): Chief Bernette reviewed SOP 104 with the officer's present and the corrective action per current SOPs should a member not make the minimum requirements.

FIT Testing 2022: Will continue through September 30, 2022. Members that do not fit test prior to this date will need to set up a date with their TO by October 15th, 2022 or turn their black helmet and SCBA mask in until they complete their fit testing for 2022.

Reports or updates from Stations/Shift Officers:

Station 1: All trash lines have been switched from 1" to 1 ¾" hose.

Station 3: Nothing was reported at this time.

Station 6: Nothing was reported at this time.

Shift Officers: Review how they use the uploaded documentation for the Stations for NIFRS Reporting. Asked that Drivers of vehicles be noted and a short "what you did" be included with the Station documentation.

Fire Chief: Chief Bernette reviewed SOP 101 Section II Authority, Section IV Conduct (A)(5) Professional Conduct, (7) Intimidation, (8) Insubordination, (10) False Statements or Information. Chief Bernette also reviewed SOP 106 Professional Conduct – all sections. Members that wish to continue to conduct themselves in a manner that violates our SOPs in these areas will be written up -no verbal warning will be given. If they chose to continue with this type of behavior, they will be terminated from the District per current SOPs. This will be addressed at all of the next station meetings.

Safety, Health, and Training Topic:

Safety: DC Nowak reviewed several options for ICS Vests and Traffic Signs. Also review other options like leg gators for better visibility while in the road right away. Location for new ISC Vests and signs will be on Engine 1, Squad 3, and Squad 6. Purchase of equipment will be based on funding with in the current budget. Voltage detectors were talked about and will be a WIP

Health: Nothing to report at this time.

Training: Chief Bernette reviewed the proposed 2023 training calendar and will be finalized at the next meeting. Nothing to report on Fire Tactics updates by the committee. Chief Bernette went over the training building and possible timeline for work to start – more to come at the next meeting. Capt. Arriola talked about Recruit Academy and how it could be implemented after a member complete their initial firefighter training – more to come at the next meeting.

Near Misses Report:

- Review a near miss with the county while doing flagging operations that were set up correctly
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Other Concern/Topics

District Wide Picnic: The McTaggart's gave an update. Officers to do the main meet course and members to bring a dish to pass. Station Chiefs to get a head count for this event. Picnic to be held on 17, 2022.

Adjournment:

Motion made to adjourn at 20:55 by Joe Ludwigson and seconded by Mike Nowak. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.