

Easton Fire Commission

Regular Meeting

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Attendance: D. Buchanan, R. Cable, D. Katz, J. Miranda

Also in attendance: P. Neary, S. Waugh

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 pm

Commissioner Buchanan corrected the April minutes. Commissioner Miranda motioned to approve the April minutes. Commissioner Katz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Chief Waugh discussed the incident report. There were 49 incidents. The participation of volunteers is slightly below last year because most of the calls in April were in the day. Overtime may be approximately \$19,000 over budget. However, CIRMA will reimburse the Department for \$2,500 bringing the overage to \$16,500. The Chief will continue carefully watching the overtime account. All other operating accounts are in the black. The Chief discussed purchasing two new sets of gear from Globe. He may be able to purchase the second set of gear for half price. He has replaced tires and a radio. He mentioned a possible workman's compensation reimbursement if one of the firefighters needs knee surgery in the future. The Engine 4 Committee continues to meet. The Committee met with Seagrave on May 4. The Committee plans to meet with other vendors, such as Gowans-Knight, E-1 and Pierce. The Chief listed future training exercises, which includes extrication in Easton in May. Although, no one attended the open house, the Department has one new volunteer member.

Marshal Neary distributed and discussed the Fire Marshal's report. Among other things, there were 25 permits issued, 78 permits year to date, and two fire investigations in April.

Commissioner Buchanan will work to get the Commission represented and included in the current contract negotiations.

The Chief and Fire Marshal showed a picture to the Commission of a tree limb in town that recently fell on a vehicle. The Chief continues to be concerned about the lack of tree trimming, and the potential for accidents and liabilities.

Commissioner Miranda motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm. Commissioner Katz seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Roberta Cable, Secretary