



Northville Plymouth Fire Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 6, 2020 4:00 p.m.
Northville City Hall

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ROLL CALL

Present: Member Paul Sincock, Member Pat Sullivan, Member Robert Vogel

Excused: Chair Brian Turnbull, Vice Chair Marques Thomey

Others Present: Chief Steve Ott, Director Al Cox, Lt. J.C. Sicard

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Member Sincock made a motion, seconded by Member Sullivan to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2019 meeting.

MOTION PASSED

PERSONNEL STAFFING REPORT

Chief Ott reported that there are 51 members of the department, with 22 assigned to station one, 28 assigned to station two, and one unassigned. One person left and another person joined the station one staff during the last quarter.

RUN VOLUME REPORT

Chief Ott reported that there was a total of 1,638 runs in 2019, with 955 (58%) at station two and 683 (42 %) at station one. This compares with a total of 1,595 runs for last year.

ROUTINE FIRE INSPECTIONS REPORT

Chief Ott reported that there were 23 new inspections at station one in the fourth quarter and seven new inspections at station two for the same period. The numbers for station two remain below expectations.

TRAINING REPORT

Chief Ott presented a report on the fourth quarter training, which included 17 sessions for 615 personnel hours of regular training, two sessions for 32 personnel hours of individualized training and 8 sessions for 80 personnel hours of outside training. This equates to 727 total personnel hours of training. Ott commented that, due to the holidays, there were fewer training hours than normal. The department also trained on new EMS procedures for basic life support ambulances.

REVIEW OF PLYMOUTH STATION RESPONSE TIMES

Chief Ott reported that the average response time for the NCFD Plymouth Station was 9:05 (minutes/seconds) from the time of the call to the arrival of the first fire unit on scene in October, and 9:11 in November. The average response time for the NCFD Plymouth Station year to date from January 1 through November 30, 2019 was 9:01 with

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the average for emergent calls 8:01 and the average for non-emergent calls 10:05. Information for the Northville station was provided; however, they are working on some dispatch issues with correctly logging types of calls. The chief reviewed the reported structure fires and some of the issues with dispatch misclassifying those calls.

INFORMATIONAL STORIES ON FIRE SERVICES

Sincock provided the board with informational articles including:

- a) Volunteer fire departments seeing a decline in ranks
- b) Lyon Township celebrates historic moment, hiring full-time firefighters at last
- c) Firefighter urges council to reinstate emergency medical services for area
- d) Grosse Pointe Shores fires reignite debate over public safety fire response
- e) Greenwood considers food and beverage tax to help fund police, fire departments
- f) Make Way device can warn drivers when an emergency vehicle is nearby
- g) The City of Portland wants to change the way it responds to 911 calls

OTHER BUSINESS

Chief Ott announced that the Plymouth Rotary Firefighter of the Year is Lt. Tim Catalano. Matt Samhat was named the department's firefighter of the year.

The fire academy is continuing training.

The agency's EMS certification has been completed.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be on Monday, April 6, 2020 at Plymouth City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Sincock made a motion, seconded by Sullivan, to adjourn.

MOTION PASSED

Respectfully submitted,

Paul J. Sincock, Recording Secretary

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