



ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

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Fire Advisory Board Meeting Minutes April 25, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm

Present: Joe Finnegan, Jon Mitchell, Rick Rusaw, Adrian Bush, Tom Miller, Vinny Ferry, Larry Whitton, Scott McRobbie, Tom Popham, Larry Denesha, Chris Sherwin, Art Howie, Kevin Crosby

Excused: Bob Crowe, Pat O'Brien, Mark Bomyea, Mike Farrell, Bob Kerr, Nicole Harris-Reid

Lacked a quorum – no action on minutes of 2/21/19

Legislator Larry Denesha – New Coordinator:

Chairman Lightfoot - organized new search committee. Larry suggested that 1 person from FAB be appointed. Joe Lightfoot called Joe Finnegan. Committee seems to have a candidate of choice (not local person). Joe Lightfoot returned a call & discussed it with Joe Finnegan. It seems it is not finalized yet. Larry will carry our message back to the Legislators that this Board is not happy with this procedure.

Jon Mitchell:

Gave reports on monthly calls (attached). Simulcast will be online late 2020-21. Larry posed a question about confined space. Confined space rescue we use Alcoa. The conclusion is that most local departments do not have confined space rescue capability.

County is hiring more instructors.

Old Business:

Jon has new ID machine availability. Fit testing – one Coordinator had the equipment and it had not been available. Jon will check on this.

New Business:

Jon is not certain on future of the HazMat Team, it needs to be fixed, only Ogdensburg FD and Alcoa are involved at this time. Jon will check on this for next meeting.

Next Saturday, May 4th, Firefighter of the Year dinner for County Chiefs.

Believe NNY training – Rensselaer Falls approximately May 19th.

E-PCRs to become mandatory as well as re-certification for EMTs.

Discussion of Officers qualifications for holding any office:

We need to let Villages, Districts, and Local FDs know what the policies that are coming really are. The local FDs need to know the changes that are coming. The letter will come from the FAB as an advance notice.

Next meeting – June 20th

Respectfully,

Scott McRobbie