

Fire Commission Meeting

Middleton Fire District

City of Middleton, Town of Middleton, Town of Springfield, Town of Westport

Thursday, October 17th, 2019

6:00 PM

MIFD Station 1

7600 University Avenue

Middleton, WI

Commission Members Present: Ken Sipsma, Julie Brunette, Dan Dresen, Brent Renteria-Packham

Commission Members Absent: Luke Fuszard

Officers Present: Chief Aaron Harris, Assistant Chief Gary Gillitzer, Battalion Chief Brad Subera, Battalion Chief Jesse Schluter, Captain Mark Kampe, Lieutenant Willie Salzmann

Others Present: Mary Roessler

The meeting was called to order by Sipsma at 6:00 p.m.

1. Approval of the September 19th Minutes

- Motion made by Renteria-Packham and seconded by Dresen to approve the September 19th Minutes. Motion passed.

2. Public Comments on Matters Not on Agenda

- None.

3. Quarterly Inspection Report

- Subera reported the following:
 - Weber is finishing up on apartment inspections and also re-inspections.
 - Reigel has been working on plan reviews (2), tests and Inspections on water, fire alarm, and suppression systems, annual tank inspections were completed (53 sites containing 97 tanks), DCARI work, code reviews, continue working on MABAS cards, and radio channel updates.

4. Quarterly Education Report

- Subera reported the following activities since the last report:
 - 9 Extinguisher Trainings
 - 10 Station Education Sessions
 - 7 Education Sessions away from the station
 - 10 Car Seat Checks/Strategic Education Sessions
 - 13 Fire truck displays/parades
 - Public education sessions with 2,570 adults and 2,361 children for this quarter.
 - The major events this quarter were the 911 Memorial Service, Family Safety Day, National Night Out, and Camp Heroes.

5. Personnel/Operation Report

- Harris reported that the MIFD personnel count remains at 99 Associates (82 Firefighters, 15 Rehab Technicians, and 2 Fire Corps).
- Harris noted there have been 55 incidents since the last meeting.
- Harris reported on a few notable activities/calls/events:
 - Drone Network recently did some training in Middleton.
 - Missing 16-year old drone search in McFarland.
 - Held Ultra High Pressure (UHP) demonstrations in West Virginia recently with Matt Cowden.

- Incident with a individual on an unground boring machine hit an electrical line and became trapped.
- Public Education shows were held in all the area grade schools for Fire Prevention Week.
- Escorted the MHS Girls Golf team for being State Champions.
- Installed removable bollards in several areas with the help of City of Middleton employees.
- Radios were reprogramed.
- City of Middleton budget process is going well. Public hearing will be November 13th and then Council approval on November 19th.

6. Verizon Wireless (VZW) Generator Gas Line Easement Proposal. Discussion/Action

- Harris explained that Verizon is seeking a gas line easement on District property.
- Motion made by Brunette and seconded by Dresen to authorize Chief Harris to negotiate the terms of the easement. Motion passed.

7. Approval of Monthly Bills. Discussion/Action

- Motion made by Dresen and seconded by Renteria-Packham to approve the October bills. Motion passed.

8. Correspondence/Communication Update

- Roessler reported there were thank you notes received from:
 - Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dane County for attending their Dream Big Gala and donating auction items.
 - Dr. Michael Mancera for dedication and commitment on the one year anniversary of the active shooter incident.

9. Proposal of Future Agenda Items

- None.

10. Motion to Adjourn

- Motion made by Renteria-Packham and seconded by Brunette to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

October 17th, 2019 Minutes submitted by Mary Roessler.

Mary Roessler
Secretary
Approved: 11/21/19