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MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2015

Bureau Chief Citarella called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. The following were in attendance: Bureau Chief Efrem Citarella, Deputy Chief Rob Russell, Deputy Chief Al Vigliotti, Chief Fire Inspector Bill Premuroso, and Somers Volunteer Fire Department Chief George Wahlers.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Deputy Chief Vigliotti to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2015 meeting as submitted. Deputy Chief Russell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

SUBMISSIONS

50 Route 6 – AvalonBay Somers – The Bureau met with Todd Nicotra, Development Director, AvalonBay Communities, Inc. and Raymond Sullivan, AIA, NCARB, The Sullivan Architectural Group to review updated site and building construction plans for AvalonBay Somers located at 50 Route 6. All were pleased with the revisions made. A request for two additional fire hydrants was approved, as well as changing the smoke curtain in the attic to a one hour fire rated wall.

SOMERS FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF'S REPORTS

Somers Fire Department Chief Wahlers reported on the following:

763B Heritage Hills – There was a pinched wire in the air handler at 763B Heritage Hills, which caused the unit to fill up with smoke.

1 Boniello Drive – A small fire erupted from work being done in a bathroom at 1

Boniello Drive.

30 Watergate Drive – There have been numerous calls at 30 Watergate Drive due to a faulty carbon monoxide detector.

68 Entrance Way – Last week, there was a chimney fire at 68 Entrance Way.

Algonquin Gas Pipeline – There have been numerous calls that have occurred around dusk reporting that a smell of gas is present by the Algonquin Gas Pipeline. Chief Wahlers contacted Spectra Energy and they had a problem with valves leaking due to the extreme cold weather we had been experiencing. Spectra Energy is checking the valves at least once daily.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT

Deputy Chief's Russell reported on the following:

Labeling System – Deputy Chief Russell is recommending that a labeling system be initiated for gas and electric meters for commercial and multi-family buildings.

Deputy Chief's Vigliotti reported on the following:

Twin Knolls Drive Hydrant – The dry hydrant on Twin Knolls Drive had to be dug out from all the snow. It was also tested and working fine.

Crash Gates – Deputy Chief Vigliotti continues to check the crash gates around town to be sure that they are clear of snow.

Young Road – The roadway to the crash gate abutting Pepsi has not be plowed. Stone pillars have been placed on that roadway and it would be difficult to get a firetruck thru them under the best circumstances. Chief Citarella will investigate further.

The Mews I – Snow has not been cleared from the fire access road at The Mews I.

FIRE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Fire Chief Premuroso reported on the following:

341 Route 202 – Fire Chief Wahlers needs to pick up the knox box keys for 341 Route 202.

Tool Nut – Tool Nut is changing their floor plan. The retail area will be smaller and the warehouse larger.

AvalonBay Somers – Fire Chief Premuroso attended a meeting with the AvalonBay Somers representatives to discuss preventive measures for lightweight construction.

The Mews II – One of the two buildings located at The Mews II is now occupied.

OLD BUSINESS

ID Cards – The Somers Police Chief agreed to meet with the Deputies and the person who makes their identification cards to assist us in this effort. Deputy Chief Russell will follow up and make arrangements.

New Ticket Books – The new Code Enforcer Officer Mike Wetzel started yesterday. He is in the process of reviewing the proposed new ticket book.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business this evening.

The meeting was adjourned. The Bureau will meet next on Wednesday, April 8 at 4:30 p.m. in the Building Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Schirmer, Secretary
Bureau of Fire Prevention

cc: Bureau of Fire Prevention
Town Board
Town Clerk
Planning Board
Principal Engineering Technician
Somers Fire District