



Safety Committee Minutes
September 11th, 2024

Meeting called to order at: 1805

Members Present: R. Parvin, K. Smith, I. Isherwood, B. Miles, K. Veit

Communications: None

Old Business: None

New Business: **Review of recent injury-** The Committee discussed the recent injury and determined that additional training on the topic for district members would be beneficial and could reduce the chance of future injuries occurring.

Discuss recent exposure- The Committee discussed a recent exposure a crew experienced while on a call; this exposure could be considered minor, however was a good opportunity to discuss the topic. Firefighters must prioritize first responder safety when responding to calls. Crews must consider the need to utilize SCBA and limit the number of personnel entering a potentially hazardous environment. When entering hazardous environments two in/two out need to be utilized. Please refer to Operational Guide 3-1-4, Respiratory Protection Program.

Discussion of recent accident on district property- (No district personnel involved). The committee discussed a recent incident that resulted in damage to a district building. During two recent occasions vehicles backing have been involved in collisions on district property. The Committee discussed the events and circumstances to identify potential causes and or risks. It was determined that the use of backers anytime a district vehicle is reversing would minimize the risk of collisions and or injury. Refer to Operational Guide 5-1-3, Apparatus Safety and Emergency Response.

Open Forum: Chief Miles: On this anniversary of 9/11, we honor the bravery and sacrifice of the first responders who answered the call that day. Even now, many are being lost to cancer and other illnesses from their exposure. This serves as a powerful reminder of the critical importance of personal protective equipment (PPE). Your safety is paramount—please continue to prioritize and use PPE.

Injury Reports: 1
Accident Reports: None
Exposure Reports: 1

Respectfully Submitted,
Keith Veit
Secretary - Chairman