

Thompson Fire Protection Advisory Committee
Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at 7 p.m.
East Thompson Volunteer Fire Department

MINUTES

PRESENT: Kerstin Forrester, Mike Rivers, Hogan Krohn, Costantino Galasso (Dino) was seated for John Sharpe; Alternate Todd Mountford

- Meeting called to order at 7:05 by Kerstin Forrester, Chair
- Minutes of May 28, 2014 meeting – motion made to accept by Hogan Krohn, 2nd Dino, correction to remove “the” in 2nd bullet under Committee Comments, minutes accepted with correction.
- Citizens Comments - NONE
- Committee Member Comments
 - Mike Rivers thanked Board of Selectment and Board of Finance for increase in support of FDs as part of budget.
 - Hogan reminded Kerstin about asking about requirements for FD posting of agendas and minutes.
- Correspondence:
 - Kerstin received an email from Todd Mountford expressing his thanks to the State and Town for pursuing and getting the \$150,000 payment for the WTFD roof project.
- Continue discussion of creating awareness and buy-in:
 - Villager feedback – Kerstin contacted Jason Bleu and he will try to attend our future meetings. He could not be here tonight because of the need to attend another meeting. I also received an email from Teri Stolberg at the Villager asking for a sample of what the call report would look like. Together we drafted a list of calls for the past week which I will email to Teri along with a copy to each of you.
 - Review all current information available from each FD: None available for review. Kerstin reminded everyone that it is their responsibility to get this done and in order to move forward we have to get information together. Please make sure that you have this data available at the next meeting. Kerstin has agreed to prepare a tri-fold brochure, but needs to have data and pictures from each department. Kerstin has also inquired about a map delineating the fire department areas of coverage. Steve Benoit is also working on a listing of all street numbers for the town to be used during emergencies.
 - Discuss brochure contents – an overall summary of fire protection in Thompson; a page for each FD with data regarding # of calls, # of volunteers, officers, certifications, etc. This is due to Kerstin no later than the end of July via email. If you need help let me know.
- Next steps
 - Draft letter to citizens – Hogan volunteered to write the draft.
 - Get map – Kerstin
 - Get as much data as possible from each FD
 - Email to Kerstin from each FD with data and pictures for brochure.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:13

NEXT MEETING Wednesday, July 30, 2014, 7 pm at Community Fire Company

Respectfully submitted,

Kerstin Forrester, Chair