

Chief's Report for April 2015

Informational

I will not be in attendance this evening due to attending a class at the fire training center.

Congratulations to Mike Murphy who was nominated and chosen as the Firefighter of the Month for March. Mike achieved the award of Boy Scout Merit Badge Counselor.

The New York State Burn Ban will be in effect from March 14 – May 16.

Recruit New York Weekend will take place on April 25 and 26, 2015. Both stations will be open to the public. First Assistant Chief Graves will oversee Station 2 and Lieutenant Bill Dell'anno Station 1. Please see First Assistant Chief Graves if interested in assisting.

On Saturday, June 6, there will be a Home Hazard Awareness Program taking place at Station 1 from 9am – 12pm. If anyone is interested in assisting, please see me or contact me via email. I will be coordinating with Barb McHugh.

The new forcible entry prop was successfully utilized at the March 22, 2015 officer's drill held at Station 2. Please keep an eye out for a future drill regarding this hands-on skill.

The 100 psi adjustable nozzles on each high rise hose pack of each engine/eta have been replaced with smoothbore nozzles which operate at 50psi. The major reason for this operational update is due to the building at 579 Waite Road. There is great potential for long handline stretches and by utilizing a smoothbore nozzle on the highrise pack along with the water thief, it will result in less operating pressure and nozzle reaction making it more manageable and still providing an effective GPM. Also, if we need to increase the length of a handline, it gives us the option to do so without exceeding the recommended friction loss for an 1 3/4" handline.

Myself and Second Assistant Chief Adams met with the leadership of Ballston Lake EMS on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 to discuss our current working relationship and ways in which to continue to improve on it. Part of the plan will be to interact more between each agency and get periodically involved in training. Our next meeting is anticipated to take place in early May. I will keep everyone posted.

On May 6, 2015 we will start to wear our new uniforms and it will be posted in the jottings.

Apparatus/Equipment/Chief's cars

R373 will be having a new shelf added to the first through compartment for ease in locating and moving equipment.

E361 had a battery wiring issued repaired.

C360 had the siren repaired

Respectfully submitted,

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