

West Dover Fire Department  
Officer's Meeting Minutes  
September 12, 2018

Officers Present: Mike Hescocock, Mickey Kersten, Rich Werner  
Also Present: Tim Dolan (recording secretary), Andy McLean, Ian Boyd  
Meeting Called to Order at 5:10pm

Upcoming Drills:

- September 19 – Chimney Fires with Sarah Shippee
- Oct 3 – Ladders & Chimney Fires (continued)
- Oct 10 – Search & Rescue
- Oct 17 – Flush Hydrants

Search & Rescue Drills

- Used to do drills with Drew, after 2 years he handed over to the group
- Andy has been coming up with drills, but its difficult to come up with one for every month
- About 13 guys that come regularly
- For an actual call, a fire officer would be IC on a call
  - Should identify who is comfortable being team leaders
  - Incident Command procedures would be good drill for everyone to understand chain of command, communication procedures, etc
- Andy's strength is leading rescues in the woods
- Train with Rescue Inc for 3 or 4 drills a year?
- 4-wheeler training
- May – do a yearly Lift Evac training with Mount Snow
- First Aid training?
- Get input from SAR members about what trainings they would like to see
- Think about equipment that is needed or would be nice to have
  - Andy asking town for GPS units
- Andy will come to Officers Meetings to discuss the next months drill plan

Officers meetings moved to 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 5pm (before SAR trainings)

East Dover – combine drills?

- Possibly alternate ie go to East Dover first Wed, 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed in West Dover?
- Maybe do it every other month?
- Include Wilmington? Tough because their drills are on Mondays
- Good to work together at drills so the depts know each other's members when on a scene
- Allows for larger drill scenarios that we might not have the man power to do on our own
- Think about it and make decision next month

Mickey to setup a meet with Wilmington & East Dover at Howe Farm to look at what should be done to create a training space

Recognition dinner will be Saturday, October 27 at the Dover Forge

- Tim will send out menus
- RSVP with Tim by Friday, October 19

Meeting Adjourned @ 6:21pm

Next meeting October 10 @ 5pm