

MINUTES

Lawton Fire Department
Vehicle Accident Review Board
March 5, 2024
Third Floor Conference Room
Lawton City Hall
9:00 am

1. Roll call – meeting called to order at : 9:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Keegan Garrett, Corporal
Nathan Flood, Sergeant
Dustin Way, Sergeant
Matthew McKinney, Captain
David Miller, Equipment Maintenance

GUEST MEMBER: Jason Swedlund, Assistant Fire Chief(filling in for Nyhart)
Melissa Gomez

MEMBERS ABSENT: Candy Brown, Safety and Risk Officer
Kyle Nyhart, Chairman(Director's Meeting)

OTHERS PRESENT:

2. Minutes

A. Approval of minutes from January 2, 2024

Motion by Flood Second Garrett

Roll Call: Garrett
Flood
Way
McKinney
Miller

AYES: 5 NAYS: Motion carried.

3. New Business:

1. A. Solenberg Ladder 1 (12/20/2023)

Discussion: Way discussion about the car not being in the diagram pertaining to the turn that Solenberg did. Car being somewhere, that Solenberg should have waved the car

through and then made the turn. Discussion of the price to replace the stop sign, Flood said there was no damage to the stop sign.

Motion by Garrett to go with Chief's recommendation
second by Way.

Roll Call: Garrett
Flood
Way
McKinney
Miller

AYES: 5 NAYS: Motion carried.

2. D. Weske- Engine 7 (01/07/2024)

Discussion: Way brought up wanting to give Red Elk 1 point and Weske 2 points because of the officer responsibility. McKinney said if we did that, then they would have to go back and do the same for the past VARB incidents that something like this has happened. McKinney stated that they were not running on a hot run. Said that possibly to give a notice of counseling to Red Elk to be aware and to do better when it comes to apparatuses. Flood mentioned that the should have awareness and see that the door was opened. Swedlund asked if the probationary firefighter should get a point considering it was his jacket that was in the door, that caused it to not shut it all the way. That he should have realized that. They had a discussion again that it is the officer's responsibility about this. They also mentioned that it Weske didn't press on the brakes if this incident would have ever occurred in the first place. He hit the brakes at the wrong time.

Motion by Way to go with Chief's recommendation
, second by McKinney.

Roll Call: Garrett
Flood
Way
McKinney
Miller

AYES: 5 NAYS: Motion carried.

3. A. Hall – Engine 7 (01/09/2024)

Discussion: No discussion, go with Chief's recommendation. No points.

Motion by Garrett to go with Chief's recommendation
, second by Flood

Roll Call: Garrett
Flood
Way
McKinney
Miller

AYES: 5 NAYS: Motion carried.

4. M. Pack- Engine 5(01/16/2024)

Monte was present and he explained about the bumper that it wasn't fixed and that if it would have been fixed before that day, if he scraped the curb that nothing would have happened. He provided a picture of the bumper that he took this morning showing that the bumper still has not been fixed from the previous incidents. He stated the curb was already broken. No other questions were asked, Monte left at 9:19AM. Way re-iterated that if the truck's bumper was fixed would this incident have ever happened. Mckinney brought up the discussion that if your vehicle has any defects that you are to be proactive to prevent any further damage. That is why we have truck checks, and to assess any defects before driving on the road. Way and flood also said he was going the wrong direction when he hit the curb that it could have possibly been prevented.

Roll Call: Garrett
Flood
Way
McKinney
Miller

AYES: 5 NAYS: Motion carried.

4. **Communication/Discussion:**

None

5. **Adjournment:**

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Way , second by Flood .

Meeting adjourned at 9:23A.M.