

Town of Chilmark Fire Department

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Fire Chief Jeremy Bradshaw Dep Chief. Tim Carroll

Selectmen's Meeting November 23/2021

- #1 We were able to get Shawn Brecken from MIA the towns insurance company to come down on a Sunday to do the driver training. It was a great class with very good attendance, first part of day was classroom at north Rd station second was obstacle course at the top parking lot at dump which worked out great.
- # 2 I would like to get permission to seek out quotes for tree removal at North Rd Station after the storms we have a few trees down that are hazards and a few trees that should be taken down to avoid future problems. The back side has most of the issues with trees are hanging over building.
- #3 Also during major storms I would like to be able to have 3 additional personnel on call this will give us two teams of two to be able to utilize 131 to keep roads assessable for emergency vehicles utilizing the winch and chain saws . I found at this last nor'easter that being out on alarm calls is a big hazard alone with debris and trees coming down . If anything happens it would be very difficult to get quick emergency response at least if you had a second fire fighter with you he or she could start emergency care . I should be able to fund out of Line 5108 .
- # 4 The Fire Fighter Safety grant is being made available again for us this year, we purchased two thermal imaging cameras last year this year we would like to put in for three sets of personal protective equipment due to increase of personnel. Again like the other grant the town would have to purchase them and then the state reimburses the town. Gary Robinson finished the grant application so it's ready to be signed and sent over to the state.
- # 5 The department agreed to use the gift funds to purchase a used and bigger two seat ATV to help with emergency situations that need multiple responders to get to locations that can't be accessed easily . we found during our last two drownings that we didn't have enough off road vehicles to effectively move patients

and personnel . I'll be meeting with the beach committee at their next meeting to go over some of the safety concerns and options to make Chilmark beaches as safe as we can .

#6 We are sending two of our apparatuses off island for service Dec 1/2021 UTV is going to Moms South for a full service . And 133 is going on Dec 6 2021 to bulldog for pump test /service /sticker .

Sincerely

Jeremy Bradshaw Chilmark Fire Chief