

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department
Business Meeting
August 1, 2005
President Arthur Rosenblatt presiding

Meeting called to order @ 7:33PM

Secretary's Report:

- July's business meeting minutes accepted as posted.

Treasurer's Report:

- Accepted as presented.
- Discussion regarding moving Explorer money from savings to checking ensued.

Ladies Auxiliary Report:

- No Report.

Correspondence:

- Thank you cards from Jay Wignal and Emily Bruey regarding scholarship awards were received.

LCD:

- LCD will be evaluating dead spots in South Norfolk and North Canaan for possible transmitter installation.

Chief:

- Thanks for a job well done to members for responding and participating in the various calls and stand-bys this past month.
- A \$21 elbow was approved for the dry hydrant at Torrant's and the dry hydrant at the falls will be upgraded.
- All gas powered tools need to have stabilizer added to the fuel.
- Officer's meeting to be announced.
- A clean-up detail is scheduled for the firehouse on Saturday, 8/6.
- One CO meter is back in service. The second is out for service.

Wardens:

- Engines 69 & 90 passed the pump testing and Engine 30 did not. The mechanics have been alerted.

Training:

- Hose testing and SCBA drills are scheduled for this month.

Mechanics:

- Brush truck 80 is now equipped with a battery charger. Be certain to disconnect prior to moving the vehicle.

Fire Police:

- No Report.

Explorers:

- The Post has grown to 13 members.
- A car wash is planned for September.
- A can drive fundraiser is being organized.

- Post 952 by-laws are being revised to include Boy Scouts of America requirements.

Old Business:

- Paul Alexson was approved for recommendation to the selectmen for Fire Police.
- The by-law amendment for Article VII, section 8 was approved to read as follows:
 - All NVFD Active A, B, C, D, Associate and Fire Police members shall have, or submit proof of, an annual physical examination prior to the Annual Meeting.
- A uniform inspection is scheduled for 8/20 from 10AM – 12PM.
- Discussion regarding the upcoming Firemen's Convention in Canaan was entertained.
- **Building Committee:** \$20,000 to hire an architect was recommended by the committee to the Board of Selectmen.
- **Truck Committee:** Work on the preface progresses.
- **Insurance Committee:** No Report.
- **By-laws committee:** No Report.

New Business:

- The Annual meeting is scheduled for 8/29. Social hour begins at 6PM with dinner at 7PM. The meeting will begin at 8PM. Members planning on attending should sign-up on the bulletin board for a head count to the club no later than 8/25.
- A meeting with NVFD officers and NVFD Auxiliary members resulted in an investigation to include the Auxiliary members into the fire department as General Members and to create a gender inclusive standing committee for them to serve on. The matter is to be addressed by the existing by-laws committee.
- Discussion regarding the future of the Studebaker was entertained. A committee was formed and is to report back to the membership at the October meeting with feasible options.
- Thanks from the House Tour fundraiser for the NVFD parking assistance.
- The Falls Village parade is this Friday. 8/5. Members are urged to participate, as this is a mutual aid town.
- Discussion regarding the participation in either the East Hartland parade or the Harwinton Westside parade was entertained. Members favored the Harwinton Westside, as this is an anniversary year for that department.
- The Chief had a telephone conference with the CSP Troop B Commander regarding the discourteous actions of a Trooper at a recent call.

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:55PM

Minutes recorded and submitted by: Paul Padua