

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Jan 5, 2009

President Rowland Denny called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

24 members present.

**Secretary's Report**

**M/S/P** minutes of Dec. 1, 2008

**Treasurer's Report**

**M/S/P** to accept Treasurer's Report

Have had 198 responses to appeal letter.  
Have spent 78% of town budget to date.

**LCD**

Did not meet last month, no report.

**Chief's Report:**

1. Those who responded to the January 4<sup>th</sup> structure fire at 25 Shepard Rd. Job well done. I have received several positive comments from fellow fire fighters and the public.
2. Critique of structure fire will be this Thursday, Dec. 8.
3. Received Thank you letter from the Selectmen for the December Ice Storm.
4. Received a Thank you letter from Winchester Fire Department for the standby coverage and assistance at the structure fire on 12/13.
5. The Chiefs met with LCD and Colebrook Fire Department to review automatic mutual aid in planning for the CAD system and preplans. We agreed to mutual aid response with Colebrook for

MVA's in the same area that Norfolk Ambulance responds. There have been 17 calls in this area the past two years, 11 last year in which we had responded to 6. With the average of 8 MVA's in these areas. We also reviewed several changes for the CAD, which is still being reviewed such as fire responses and other call types. LCD is trying to provide geographic responses (i.e. closest station)

6. Jeff Rydel has obtained his CDL, completed the rural water supply class and has been training on the apparatus. He has also completed a CO and chimney fire awareness course as well as ICS training.
7. Two air packs have been ordered from the appeal letter fund rising. We have also paid for the compressor installation and loose equipment for the New RIT pack purchases with Emergency management funds.
8. Please remember to sign the Blue Light permit sheet. Friendly reminder to drive with due regard the lights are a privilege please use common sense when turning them on especially when responding from out of town.
9. Seagrave update. The delivery of the new pumper has been changed to six weeks earlier. It is now due to be shipped June 1<sup>st</sup> 2009. You can now watch the count down on our web site.
10. FEMA grant did not receive funding for this year.

### **Warden's Report:**

Down some pipe poles, need to go over trucks after the structure fire and repair or replace equipment.

Compressor will be checked out.

### **Fire Police:**

Need better communications with Fire Police when calls are over.

### **Explorers:**

Kelsey Hill wants to go the Explorer Fire School this summer.  
Kids would like training on gas-powered equipment.

### **Training:**

Officers meeting – Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>

Blood borne class – Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>

Drill on Hybrid cars at Housatonic High School – Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>

Cold-water rescue class – 2 days, one inside and one outside

Ambulance Super Saturday – Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>

### **Mechanics:**

Drain valves on suction line on Engine 30 have been replaced

Will be maintaining water in the brush truck circulate if stationed outside in cold weather

### **Correspondence:**

Thank you from Reynolds for responding to water problem in their basement.

### **Old Business:**

Incentive forms need to be filled out and submitted to the Selectmen's office by Feb. 1, 2009

Roster Form needs to be signed

Blue light permits form needs to be signed

Approval to use the school with alcohol, no smoking on school campus, M/S/P to request up to \$1000.00 (pending Trustee approval) for dance committee to pay DJ fee of \$550.00 and custodial fee of \$150.00 Plus other items needed, set-ups, decoration. Need to sell at least 67 tickets to break even. Ticket cost is \$15.00 a person.

## **Committee Reports:**

- **Building Committee:**

Still waiting for drawings

- **Insurance Committee:**

No report

- **House Committee:**

Need to restock supplies

Thank you note to be sent to Lisa Mitchell for all her help during ice storm and structure fire

- **ATV Committee:**

No report

## **New Business:**

None

Judy Ludwig  
Secretary