

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department
Monthly Meeting Minutes
April 5, 2010

President Jody Zeller called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

There were 26 members present.

Secretary's Report

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, Jeff Rydel to accept minutes of February 1, 2010.

Treasurer's Report

M/S/P Brian Hutchins, Steven Hutchins to accept the Treasurer's report.

LCD

Working on the Sherman tower, construction to start soon. All FD have done dispatch upgrades. 4 dispatchers will be going to Telecommunicators conference. Budget did go up, approx. \$6.00 more a month for Norfolk, per resident. LCD Annual meeting is April 22, open to public. They have a new building to rent, bigger for less money, for admin personnel. Jeff's term is up at the end of the month. Jeff is interested in remaining on the committee; it's the ambulance's turn for them to have the representative. Ambulance will be notified to see if they want to have the representative, or to let Jeff continue in the position.

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, Judy Ludwig to reappoint Jeff to LCD Committee, pending ambulance not wishing to put anyone into the position.

Chief's Report: given by 1st Asst. Chief Matt Ludwig

Daryl and Jim met with the Board of Finance to present our budget; we went in with a 0% increase. They did not recommend any changes. Met with Sheffield they offered us a set of hose ramps. We just need to go and get them. Canaan FD is looking for a region-wide common channel to use on scenes. Road Race application is being sent to Norfolk Now so it will be in the next edition. The sponsor letter needs to be sent out soon. Matthew will let Norfolk Now know about the Open House on Memorial Day. New

pipe will be put into Whalen's pond this Saturday, help will be appreciated. Meet at Firehouse at 8:00 am. NVFD vehicle plates are gone, need to be reordered. Will cost \$350.00 to order 50.

M/S/P Brian Hutchins, Steven Hutchins to spend \$350.00 to order plates.

New pumps are being looked at to pump out cellars. Additional pumps will be looked at that can pump to ½ inch and it will be voted on next month. Shipman's brought down new gear to look at, it's a bit more (approx. \$50.) than what we are currently paying for gear. This gear seems to be better made.

M/S/P Matthew Ludwig, Ed Kelley to go with Carns gear from Shipman's.

Warden's Report: no report

Fire Police: Bill attended a Conn. Fire Police Assoc meeting, same as last year

Explorers: No report

Training:

April 12 – review brush fires, use brush truck

April 12 – back flush all the dry hydrants

April 26 – officers meeting at 6:00

April 27 – Northwest chiefs at Barrington

April 15 – HAZMAT ops refresher at Regional #1 High School

May 22 or 23 – Winsted will have it's HAZMAT revolutions

April 25 – first day of pump operators class here

June 1 – arson investigation, back to basics, open to fire marshals, fire fighters - free

Mechanic's Report:

Repairs on Engine 30 & 90 repair quotes – Brian got additional quotes. Much discussion about difference in prices, waiting for 3rd quote to come in, will make a decision next month.

Correspondence:

Letter from Samantha Towle thanking the NVFD.

Committee Reports:

- **Building Committee:**

Almost finished with the building, did a walk through tonight
Consensus of membership to tear down the old ambulance barn when it is no longer needed

- **Insurance Committee:**

No report

- **Membership Committee:**

Met this month and developed a new application for membership into the NVFD

- **House Committee:**

No Report

- **ATV Committee:**

No Report

- **By-Law Committee:**

Report for next month

Old Business:

Casino Trip on April 18
Sink needs to be purchased
911 signs need to go on green

New Business:

Torrington Area Foundation Grant – application?
Ambulance 60 years, NVFD 110 years, - joint party in 2012?

Motion to adjourn

Judy Ludwig
NVFD Secretary