

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department
Monthly Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2022

President Paul Padua called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The President asked for a moment of silence for our past, deceased members.

There were 23 members present.

Secretary's Report

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, Thalyia Neumann to accept the Secretary's Report of June 6, 2022.

Treasurer's Report

We are at 100% of the Budget.

M/S/P Richard Byrne, Matthew Ludwig to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Officers' Reports:

Chief's Report:

Weekly Training times: 6p at the FH, 6:15p lesson plan, 6:30p leaving or lesson beginning.
-Car 5

-Sad to report that 2 former members passed away last month. Stevie Jansen passed away on June 8th. He was our Fire Chief from 1982 to 1992 and past member Fran Colwell passed away on June 3rd. Bunting has been hung on the station in their honor.

-Received \$1500 from the AKC fund

-LCD & Colebrook changed our responses to Colebrook's alarms without telling us or asking permission. I am meeting with them this week to discuss mutual aid. We will not respond to their alarms on initial dispatch.

-If you move something off a truck, make sure it gets back. I found the DEMHS valve on engine 30 and it belongs on the tanker. The rear seat organizer in S20 was in a compartment, and the double female on the brush truck was on the truck fill line at the firehouse.

-284 Greenwoods Rd. West. Life Safety hazard, **Do not enter under any circumstances.**

-Annual Physicals. You can start making your appointments anytime at Concentra. Due by August 29th. Don't wait till the last week as they are scheduling 1-2 weeks out.

-4 UTV helmets are now on the quad for use when riding, policy online updated

-Car 3's 800MhZ mobile was not part of the AFG grant and put on hold with all the state & vendor setbacks. \$6297.35 from the AKC grant received last year was approved in July 2021 to

buy the radio except the price is now \$7851.88 which includes installation. an increase of \$1,554.53

Car 1 recommends utilizing the remainder of last year's AKC grant (\$1500) and \$54.53 of department funds to secure the radio and install for car 3 (Dept funds, pending trustee approval)

M/S/P Matt Ludwig, Brian Hutchins to spend \$7851.88 for the purchase/installation of mobile radio for Car 3, pending Trustee approval.

-Canaan's parade & stand by on the Saturday, July 16th. Pizza & wings

M/S/P **Matthew Ludwig, Justin Zarzycki** for \$150 for pizza & wings for the Canaan parade & stand by on Sat. July 16th. To come from department funds.

-Fall FF1 & Exterior class. Aug22nd to Jan 2nd. See c1 to sign up

Important Dates:

- Monday, July 11th 7p - NVFD Monthly Meeting
- July 13-16th - North Canaan Railroad Days & Carnival
- Saturday July 16th 6p - North Canaan Parade & Fireworks Stand-by
- Monday, July 18th 6p - NVFD Drill "Canaan Ladder and Arcanum walk thru"
- Monday, July 25th - Apparatus/Equipment inspection, Officer meeting
- Monday, August 1st 7p - NVFD Monthly Meeting
- Saturday, August 6th 1p-3p - Weekend in Norfolk Water soccer
- Monday, August 8th 6p - NVFD Drill
- Monday, August 15th 6p - "Norfolk" Theatrical smoke at the Fire School
- Monday, August 22nd 6p - NVFD Drill
- Saturday, August 27th 6p - Winsted Parade. 6p step off
- Monday, August 29th 7p – Annual Meeting/Election of Officers
- Saturday, September 10th 9:30a - Barbour Woods Trail race
- Saturday, September 17th 12n-4p - "Norfolk" Live Burn at the Fire School
- Monday, September 26th 6pm - Center of town tabletop preplan at FD
- Sunday, October 16th 8a - Center of town mutual aid drill
- Monday, October 17 6:30p - "Norfolk" Chimney fires at the Fire School

Car 2:

Thanked everyone for responses over July 4 holiday. The Above & Beyond award this month goes to Darren Marciano

Car 3:

Reminded everyone of the town drill on Oct 16 and that August 6 was WIN Weekend and our event at the ball field

Car 4:

Car 4 mentioned that the next drill night would include North Canaan's Ladder and that the Department Birthday meetings continue on.

Car 5:

No Report

Car 6:

No Report

Car 7:

No Report

EMS Captain:

No Report

Fire Marshall:

Keith Byrne and John DeShazo are the new Fire Marshal and Deputy. Many thanks to Daryl Byrne for his 20+ years of service to the Town of Norfolk in the position.

Mechanics:

No Report

Cadets:

We have 2 new members, Samantha Barbagallo and Wilson DeShazo.

LCD:

No Report

Committee Reports:

- **House Committee:**

Theresa and Madeline responded to fatal MCA with Drinks and a reminder to all that when borrowing FD property to sign it out and return it promptly.

- **Fund Raising:**

New T shirt design is being worked on for the Breast Cancer Awareness campaign.

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

- **Building Committee**

Moving forward as expected.

- **Anniversary Committee**

No Report

- **Road Race Committee**

11 scholarships will be awarded at the August Meeting

Correspondence:

Claudia Lefcheck sent a thank you note.

Invite to Thomaston Parade is on the bulletin board.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Ghi Signs will be coming to FD to give prices for stickers for trucks.

Reminder to send Brush Truck to all calls at Doolittle Lake due to access issues

With numerous dead trees on FD property, Ted Hinman will use them for drill practice and the town will chip them up in August.

Rope Team Drill will be held on August 7 at the Wind Turbines in Colebrook at 9 a.m.

The Truck Committee will be reactivated in order to come up with plans for the new brush truck cab and chassis.

Paul Padua is suggesting a change to the Bylaw Section 7.2.5 regarding nominations sent via US Mail. New wording will be presented next month.

Paul Padua mentioned how proud he was of the department's response to the hoarding call. Decisions were sound and prudent.

M/S/P Matt Ludwig, John DeShazo to adjourn at 7:39 pm.

Minutes taken by Jon Barbagallo