

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
June 1, 2022

Vice President Kitty Hickcox called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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

**Secretary's Report**

**M/S/P** Steven Hutchins, Dan Wuori to accept the Secretary's Report of May 2, 2022.

**Treasurer's Report**

We are at 99.5% of the Budget.

**M/S/P** Matt Ludwig, Steven Hutchins 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 4

**Chiefs report:**

Thank you to everyone that assisted with the Memorial Day parade and race. Allocating members to duties over cooking greatly helped.

If you have a uniform or any parts laying around and you don't want to March, please turn in the items. The costs to replace have increased significantly and the availability is scarce.

6-month Battery change in the SCBAs is done

Members did a great job with the quad confidence class. 5mile loops approx. 60/90min per driver. If anyone wants to go riding again just let me know and we'll go down when the weather's nice.

CSP has reported that there are 1st Amendment Auditors out there videoing incidents and trying to capture wrongdoing by responders. Don't engage, keep the scene safe, call CSP if there's an issue.

Base radios, Phone system, Computer, router are now on a UPS battery backup/Surge protector.

Received confirmation of the AKC grant for 2022. Unknown amount

Received the Apparatus/Base install bill from Pittsfield Communication, \$4,250. The AFG grant funds actual equipment and doesn't cover install costs.

**M/S/P** Matt Ludwig, Brian Hutchins: \$4,250 (Dept funds, pending trustee approval) \$1500 left over from AKC funds and the rest from department funds to purchase a Car 3 mobile radio

Tabled until next month to see about finding different vendor.

Weekend-in-Norfolk water soccer is a go. Saturday, August 6th 1p-3p

DEEP 50/50 Grant (matching \$2500), submitting for 800' of 3" hose split between E30 & E40 rear beds and 250' 2" cross lay for E40.

Annual Physicals. You can start making your appointments anytime at Concentra. Due by August 29th

Canaan pool fill tomorrow. In Canaan for 6:30p. Tanker & Engine for fill site standby

### **Important Dates:**

- Tuesday, June 7th 6p - North Canaan pool fill
- Thursday, June 9th 2p Botelle School evacuation drill
- Monday, June 13th 6:30p - "Norfolk" Theatrical smoke at the Fire School
- Monday, June 20th 6p - NVFD Drill "Hose drills with engines"
- Wednesday, June 22nd 6:30p - NVFD birthday party meeting
- Sunday, June 26th 8a -Mountain side ATV trail ride
- Monday, June 27th 6p - Apparatus/Equipment inspection, officer meeting
- 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
- Saturday, August 6th 1p-3p - Weekend in Norfolk Water soccer
- Monday, August 15th 6:30p - "Norfolk" Theatrical smoke at the Fire School
- Saturday, September 10th 9:30a - Barbour Woods Trail race
- Saturday, September 17th 12n-4p - "Norfolk" Live Burn at the Fire School
- Monday, October 17 6:30p - "Norfolk" Chimney fires at the Fire School

### **Car 2:**

- Thank you to all who came to Arthur's Celebration of Life
- The Above and Beyond Award goes to Ron Zanobi
- Organized all the gear and got rid of outdated/ expired

### **Car 3:**

- Memorial Day went very well
- Temporary radio system that we had worked pretty flawlessly
- We would like to see our own chat groups
- Gas meters went to Fire Equipment Headquarters for calibration.
  - There is a bit of a delay due to staff being out sick

#### **Car 4:**

- June 13 Fire Academy, RIT evolution at 6:30 pm.
  - Canaan will be joining with their ladder truck
- June 20- Hose drill with engines at 6:00 pm.
- June 22 at 6:30 pm NVFD birthday meeting for calendar raffle

#### **Car 5:**

No Report

#### **Car 6:**

No Report

#### **Car 7:**

No Report

#### **EMS Captain:**

No Report

#### **Fire Marshall:**

No Report

#### **Mechanics:**

- Deck gun issues have been fixed
  - "Release" handles have been glued in place

#### **Cadets:**

- Two applicants
  - Samantha Barbagallo
  - Wilson DeShazo
- Applications sent to Richard for review

#### **LCD:**

Agreement with union negotiations. Waiting on the vote.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- **House Committee:**
  - Food from the food truck is in the freezer

- **Fund Raising:**

No Report

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

- **Building Committee**

- The town meeting went well
  - It was understood to the reason for such a size increase for the building
- Several concerns were brought up
  - Parking
  - Headlights from apparatus shining into houses across the street
  - Noise of siren
    - Explained that a siren was needed much like tornado sirens.
    - Benefits us as it keeps insurance rates down
  - Style of doors
    - Bifolds vs. full glass/half glass
  - Received answers as to why the shed lost a bay
    - It was so we didn't go over the 5,000 limit into the wetlands and avoided us going through the Army Corps of Engineers.
  - Town is looking at breaking ground hopefully in the spring
  - Looking at 4 million on the low side
    - About \$400.00 a square foot.

- **Anniversary Committee**

- 125 Anniversary
  - June 22 at 6:30 pm NVFD birthday meeting for calendar raffle

- **Road Race Committee**

No Report

**Correspondence:**

- June 26, 1:00 pm Cornwall Family Banquet
- August 27, Dream Ride Chili Cook-Off
- August 3 Thomaston Parade
- June 25 Beacon Falls Parade

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

- Fran Colwell passed away

- Bunting should be hung
- Steve Janssen is not doing well
  - On hospice in FL
  - Was chief for 10 years

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, Thalyia Byrne to adjourn at 7:41 Pm

Minutes taken by  
Ashley Allyn