

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Sept. 12, 2022

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

The department Chaplin, the Rev. Erik Olsen led us in prayer to commemorate those lost on 9-11-01 on the 21 Anniversary.

The President asked for a moment of silence for our past, deceased members, especially Ed Kelley and John Allyn.

There were 24 members present.

Secretary's Report

M/S/P Ted Hinman, Dan Wuori to accept the Secretary's Report of Aug. 1, 2022.

Treasurer's Report

We are at 17% of the Town Budget.

M/S/P Steve Hutchins, Dan Wuori 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.

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Chiefs report:

-Ed Kelly passed away on August 6th. Thank you to everyone that assisted at his wake and funeral. His family was very appreciative.

-Sad to also report that past member and former DPW Forman John Allyn passed away on Aug 16th. Bunting will remain hung in his remembrance.

-100' of blue hose for E40 bumper line is still on order

-Tower Generator is doing our annual service on Wednesday.

-Hose/Ladder/Suction testing is complete. Lost (1) 50' length of orange 1.75" off E40. Replaced with rack hose.

-Brian is scheduling annual apparatus service. See him if you've noticed anything that needs attention on the trucks.

-Our Norfolkfire.org website is getting a modernized facelift with security upgrades. Old platform was becoming unstable and unsupported after 15 years. Should be live in a few days.

-Torrington Fire School hosting a training officer class. 5/6 nights this fall. Waiting for dates

-River Place bridge repair in October. Looking like we'll park E30 there for the day.

-The Town's looking to replace the bridge on Mountain Rd. over Spaulding brook. (by the ball field). Design this year, construction in 2025 if approved.

-"Q" class at the academy in October. See me if interested

-Met with Mountain side director of 299 Ashpohtag Rd. Very receptive and addressed our concerns. Campbell lives in the front house full time. KNOX box being installed shortly. Residents gathering place during an emergency is in the back by the fire pit.

-Live burn this Saturday the 17th 12n to 4p. Grinders.

-E-Vehicle fires for NFIRS reporting, need the Year, Make, Model... vin from CSP if available.

-North Canaan Strategy & Tactics Class Tuesdays and Thursdays on October 4th, 6th, 11th, 13th, 18th, 20th. 7p to 10p

-Fire prevention week, Oct 9-15. Botelle school Wednesday 12th at 9a

-Colebrook: Pinney St bridge by Rt44 is closed. Access via MillbrookRd.

-Annual Physical provider: After numerous complaints, Winsted area chiefs, Dan and I met with AFC Urgent care and Concentra to discuss firefighter/DOT physicals and occupational injuries. Community Health and wellness and Hartford Health care do not do Firefighter physicals at this time. After researching services, projected costs, and hours of operation I feel AFC is the best option for our membership.

-North Canaan tour of BD on Tuesday, September 27th at 6pm, no shorts or sandals, dinner will be served so I need a rough head count by the 19th

Important Dates:

-Saturday, September 17th 12n-4p - "Norfolk" Live Burn at the Fire School

-Monday, September 19th 6p - NVFD Drill

-Monday, September 26th 6pm - Center of town tabletop preplan at FD, Officer Meeting afterwards.

-Tuesday, September 27th at 6pm - BD Walk thru in North Canaan

-Monday, October 3rd 7p - NVFD Monthly Meeting

-October 4th, 6th, 11th, 13th, 18th, 20th 7p to 10p - N. Canaan Strategy & Tactics Class

-Sunday, October 9th 10a- Tour de forest bike race

-Monday, October 10th 6p - NVFD Drill

-Wednesday, Oct 12th 9a - Fire Prevention at Botelle

-Sunday, October 16th 8a - Center of town mutual aid drill

- Monday, October 17 6:30p - "Norfolk" Chimney fires at the Fire School
- Monday, October 24th 6p - NVFD Equipment Inspection, Officer Meeting
- Monday, October 31st 5p-7p Halloween Detail
- Monday, November 7th 7p - NVFD Monthly Meeting
- Saturday, November 12th 8p-12m Karaoke night

M/S/P Matt Ludwig, Justin Zarzycki, for \$100.00 for grinders for the live burn, to come from department funds.

M/S/P Matthew Ludwig, John DeShazo, to switch annual physicals from Concentra to AFC (American Family Care) in Torrington. 1 Against, Motion passed.

Car 2:

Thanks to everyone who is helping with equipment work party on the trucks. Compartments are labeled.

Have purchased name plates and equipment for new officers.

Car 3:

Requests for scheduling pumping time. See any officer to set up individual time for pumping time.

Car 4:

Live burn

Car 5:

No Report

Car 6:

Live burn not just for interior members, exterior and drivers are welcome.

Car 7:

No Report

EMS Captain:

Annual renewal for first responders needs to be signed.

Saturday was marathon, went well.

Public Information Officer:

Behind the scenes for Oct. 6, upcoming drill have been happening.

Fire Marshall:

Wed. Oct. 12, Fire Prevention at the school, Fire Marshall Keith Byrne has all the necessary materials to pass out to the students. A large banner will be hung at the school.

Mechanics:

Brush truck out of service, needs new batteries.
E40 needs to go to Hartford for service, probably for an extended time.
E90, the red master switch has been replaced.

Cadets:

No report

LCD:

No report

Committee Reports:

- **House Committee:**

No report

- **Fund Raising:**

Breast Cancer t-shirts are being printed, hope to have them available for next week. There is an online team store if anyone wants to order tank tops, hoodies, etc.

Karaoke for Nov. 12, 2022, is there any interest, Paul will pursue this to try to make it happen.

- **Insurance Committee**

VFIS policy was renewed.

- **Truck Committee**

Cab and chassis is still at the dealership, they are ahead of schedule.

- **Building Committee**

Still in the planning and zoning phase, moving along.

- **Anniversary Committee**

See Steven if interested in helping.

- **By-Law Committee**

No report

- **Road Race Committee**

No report

Correspondence:

Several thank you notes were posted from scholarship recipients.

Old Business:

M/S/P Judy Ludwig, Steven Hutchins, to go into executive session to discuss finances.

M/S/P Matthew Ludwig, Steven Hutchins to come out of executive session.

M/S/P Matthew Ludwig, John DeShazo to order a chassis for a new brush truck for up to \$65,000, using department funds, pending Trustee approval.

Price information for the truck decals for next month.

New Business:

None

Judy Ludwig
NVFD Secretary