

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department
Monthly Meeting Minutes
April 1, 2024

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.

Paul thanked the Hub for letting us use their facility.

There were 27 members present.

Secretary's Report

M/S/P Justin Zarzycki and Kerry Yelsits to accept the Minutes of March 2024.

Treasurer's Report

We are at 84% of the Town Budget

To date, \$35, 055.04 has been received through the annual appeal letter.

M/S/P Richard Byrne, Kerry Yelsits to approve the Treasurer's Report at presented.

Officers' Reports:

Chief's Report:

- Summer Weekend in Norfolk ideas needed. Currently looking like a bounce house, touch a truck, and Smokey Bear appearance at the center of town. Fire police may also be needed to help barricade half of John Curtis Rd
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- Spotted Dog is shutting down extremely sooner than anticipated. June 1. Matt Ludwig is working with LCD and Rovers parent company, ESO, to make sure our files will be okay.
- 760 Litchfield Rd has been updated to suggest CSP response after a recent call there. Up to judgement of IC
- Drivers, if you must add anything other than Fuel to a truck please contact a mechanic. They will advise the course of action or respond to the station and add fluids to an apparatus.
- Please report any complaints or concerns about an incident to the Chief or President so they can be addressed in the proper manner.
- Car 6 is the officer in charge of training for the month.
- Big Water Class June 1 & 2. 0800-1630 both days @ Barkhamsted Highway Dept. garage. Waiting for the formal sign-up sheet. Have nine members wanting to take it at this time. To be added contact Car 1,2, or 3
- Sign Up sheet for the E40 duty crew, during these meetings, is on the bulletin board at the station. Minimum of four members. Any training levels.

Car 2:

No Report

Car 3:

Mechanics have been working on the trucks.
Pump testing on trucks will take place in June.

Car 4:

No Report

Car 5:

No Report

Car 6:

Interest in water, moving it, Big Water coming up
Will be filling the tanker next week, going to Curling Club to wash down the ice

Car 7:

No Report

EMS Captain:

No Report

Public Relations:

Application was put in for the fly over for Memorial Day, we are on the list

Anyone who has taken ICS 300/400 in the past, those courses are no longer valid, you will need to retake them, they are offered online

ICS refresher course will be held at New Haven fire academy on May 1 & 2, see Jon Barbagallo if interested

Fire Marshall:

Tau will renovate another building, plans will be submitted

3 large arrays of solar panels are being planned for Town Farm

Mechanics:

If you find the truck low on anything other than gas, let our mechanics know, they will take care of it right away

Work in progress on new Brush truck

Mechanical Service is working on trucks, see Steven or Spanky if any questions. Trying them out because sending truck to 5 Star, turn around is way too long

Cadets:

No Report

LCD:

No Report

Committee Reports:

- **House Committee:**

No report

- **Fund Raising:**

Norbrook Beer fundraiser, waiting on art for label

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

- **Building Committee**

Proceeding along, no date for final information. Committee meeting is set for next week. NVFD needs to stay current with what is going on, should be discussed at our monthly meetings i.e.: finishes on floors, outside of building, what do we want

Car 2 will be setting up a Google drive with info, with your ideas, any member will be able to input ideas into the Google drive

Building Committee will be starting to meet every 3 weeks, starting this Thursday. Brian wants to set up an 'audio only' input so that all members will be able to stay on top of what is going on.

M/S/P Richard Byrne, Gary Bottum to create a YouTube audio channel so that members can listen to the meeting.

- **Anniversary Committee**

Silent Auction, so far 14 prizes have been collected. We took in \$10,000.00 last year, would like to hit \$15,000.00 this year.

Had 78 items last year, would like 150 this year.

List will be at the firehouse, check with Ashley before going to a business, so that nobody goes to the same one.

- **By-Law Committee**

Changes are posted at the fire house.

M/S/P Matthew Ludwig, Thalyia Byrne to accept By-Law changes and post for 30 days, to be voted on at the next meeting.

Correspondence:

Letter will be sent to the Hub thanking for use of room.

Falls Village information about a class. Will be posted.

Email from Dan Wuori there will be a meeting of Litchfield County cancer support group at the fire school 4/11/24 at 6:30 pm

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Jon Barbagallo asked if the NVFD wants to participate in the Friday on the Green events this summer? Consensus was yes to proceed.

June 21 is first choice, if not available, July 19 will be the date. Discussion about having food, ice cream possibly.

Paul Macock is retiring as state Fire Marshall to take another job. His retirement party is June 6, 2024, see Matt Ludwig if interested in going.

Aug. 11, 2024, is 80 Movies night trivia, at Great Falls Brewery.

Planning on ending the Memorial Day Parade at the Firehouse.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm

Judy Ludwig
NVFD Secretary