

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
December 3, 2018

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 20 members present.

**Secretary's Report**

M/S/P, Judy Ludwig, Brian Hutchins to accept the Secretary's Report of November 5, 2018.

**Treasurer's Report**

We are at 64% of the Town Budget as of 12/3/18.

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

**Officers' Reports:**

**Chief's Report:**

Officer of the month: Car 20 Wouri & OSHA trainings

-Past NVFD member/Firefighter John Bazzano 85y passed away on Nov 24th. Bunting has been hung in his honor.

-Great work at the MVA by Georges, a safe response on black ice roads, rapid extrication of the victims, and continues CPR & Thumper use

-Annual SCBA flow test is done. All batteries changed, no issues. Need to swap batteries again in May

-NEED to remember to close the doors now that it's winter. S20 door left open a few weeks ago till Fox closed the door, 10deg out. An

open bay door will freeze the pipes quicker than you think. I prefer not to have to spend \$900 to add automatic door closers.

- We were awarded the 50/50 Dry Hydrant grant for 82 Estey rd.
- Aquarion finally flow testing hydrants in town
- E90s (5) collapsible cones are in and in-service on the truck.
- Saturday, December 15th 9-12n Litchfield County Fire School training meeting to discuss classes being offered.
- SCBA Storage tank update. Back en-route to us
- Great use of Rover for calls & out of service updates, January training will dive deeper into what it can do. It will also be down for maintenance on December 5, 2018 from 06:00 – 12:00

#### Important Dates:

- Monday, December 10th 6:30p - NVFD Drill
- Monday, December 17th 6:30p - NVFD Drill OSHA/Sexual Harassment/Bloodborne pathogens Annual Training
- Saturday, December 22nd 5p-8p - Winsted Gator parade
- Monday, December 24th 3p - Santa's Special Delivery
- Monday, December 31st 6p - NVFD Equipment Inspection
- Monday, January 7th 7p - NVFD Monthly Meeting

#### Car 2:

The new turnout gear is in. The department qualified for the DEP matching grant.

#### Car 3:

Brush truck is going to Dave's Wednesday, it will be out of service for the day. Looking into quote for possible rotors and brakes.

#### Car 4:

Good job Casey at the accident on rt 44.

Looking into getting quick card system for ropes equipment similar to engine 40 to help with the organization of equipment.

**Car 5:**

No Report

**Car 6:**

No Report

**Car 7:**

No Report

**EMS Captain:**

Reminder of OSHA training on the 17<sup>th</sup> see Dan for more info.

**Mechanics:**

Getting quote from Dave's to determine if we should have them replace the brakes and rotors. They will repair if the quote is under \$1,000 otherwise it will be done in house to save on expenses.

**Explorers:**

First new cadet, Rachel Barbagallo, to be starting on Dec 15<sup>th</sup> .

**LCD:**

Looking for other towns to join

**Committee Reports:**

- **Rescue Tool Committee:**

New pullies for rope equipment donated by Daryl Byrne.

- **House Committee:**

Thank you to Theresa for serving dinner and thank you to Judy making the chili.

M/S/P, Richard Byrne motioned for funds not to exceed \$50 for new chili, Steven Hutchins second.

- **Fund Raising:**

- Consensus of the officers to decline Winter Weekend in Norfolk cookoff fundraiser and focus on the summer event.
- Breast Cancer Tee shirt profit totaled \$427.75.
- Karaoke Fundraiser profit totaled \$1,365.00.

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

M/S/P:

- **Building Committee**

No Report

**Correspondence:**

Residents came with a delivery of baked goods for the meeting. Thank you notes from Meadow Brook to be posted on the board.  
Thank you note from Tom Bartram with \$100 donation

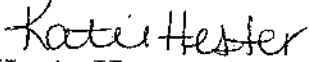
**Old Business:**

M/S/P, Matt Ludwig motioned to pass amendment to bylaws as outlined in at last month's meeting, Judy Ludwig, second.

## New Business:

- Winsted Gater parade December 22<sup>nd</sup> be at fire house at 1pm to help prep.
- Honorary member guideline update be voted on at next month's meeting.
- Membership application for Anita Turner to be voted on next meeting.
- Bruce and Sue Frisch opened up the end of their driveway and put in gravel to make entry easier for Fire trucks. Discussion of possible article to Norfolk Now for PR to encourage others to do the same.
- Economic development committee put up small Christmas trees. Julia Bottum inquired as to why there aren't any for the fire house and ambulance barn, Daryl to look into.
- Plowing of Meadow Brook being looked into for insurance purposes to keep access open for fire truck and ambulance access. Town will continue to plow until a solution is found.
- Proposal for after hours programs at Botelle to be held by volunteer members, Daryl to follow up.

M/S/P Paul Padua, Judy Ludwig to adjourn at 7:45.

  
Katie Hester  
NVFD Secretary