

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department
Monthly Meeting Minutes
November 5, 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 18 members present.

Secretary's Report

M/S/P Todd Miller, Judy Ludwig to accept the Secretary's Report of October 1, 2018.

Treasurer's Report

We are at 38% of the Town Budget as of 11/5/18.

M/S/P, Judy Ludwig, John Barbagallo, to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Officers' Reports:

Chief's Report:

Officer of the month: Car 7 Fox

- Thanks to the members that spent the weekend at the Pump operator class.
- Good work with the Halloween detail. Well received by everyone
- Eversource response to RT44 incident the other day has been escalated to the Eversource rep, selectmen & EMD
- LUCAS CPR Thumper is in and in-service on S-20 EMS compartment. Monthly equipment check sheets have been updated to monitor the battery level. Dan will have additional trainings
- Falls village has a new Tanker. They bought Sandy Hooks 1986 Kenworth/E-One, 2700gal w/ manual side dump chutes. The LCD CAD has been updated accordingly. We now have up to 11 tankers plus ours to request if necessary
- FirstNet/AT&T accounts: All active members can make the switch if you would like. Completely voluntary. \$40/month for unlimited talk/text/data. Or \$25/month for unlimited talk/text/2g data. Non-FD family members can receive 25% off any regular plan. See car 1 for more details
- Spotted Dog accounts are ready and operational. Pre-plans, Trail maps, Knox boxes, solar panels, hydrants & limited access responses have been entered. Please download the app and start using it to show you responding or if you're OOS. See Car 1 with questions. If you change cell carriers let me know so your service isn't interrupted

- Put in for a Walmart grant for (3) TV monitors, mounts, Wi-Fi receivers, cables & white boards for the station and EMD office to connect to spotted dog.
- The Station generator was serviced for the year. Oil change, etc. no issues
- SCBA flo-test this month on Friday the 9th, need car 2 & 3 packs back at the station
- Getting info on pricing & using the fire school for trainings. They have trailer able propane props (Car fire/grill) that we can use/rent.
- \$100 donation received from land trust for the Barbour woods race support
- \$3,360 from the Norfolk car show was received
- \$1,200 annual Donation from St. Louis Community Foundation was received

- M/S/P, To send the Annual Appeal on December 1st with printing/ mailing costs. Approximately \$1,000 from Goulet printing. This year's request is soliciting for a new rescue tool from department funds. Steven Hutchins, second.

- M/S/P, Richard Byrne motioned that no more than \$100 be spent on 7 boxes of munchkins from Dunkin Donuts along with hot cocoa & cider for tree lighting. Steve Hutchins second.

- M/S/P, For (5) 28" Collapsible traffic cones for E90. \$173.58 w/shipping using town funds, new equipment line. Steven Hutchins, second.

- M/S/P, For (2) 45 deg 2.5" fittings for E90 side intakes to prevent hose from kinking and cutting flow, not to exceed \$225 for both from town funds, new equipment line.

Truck committee:

-Received the \$400 reimbursement check for the LED headlight upgrade. \$840.72 was new cost after an ordering mix-up (was \$912). And we sold the old ones for \$100.

Important Dates:

- Monday, November 12th 6:30p - NVFD Drill
- Saturday, November 17th 8p-12mid - NVFD Karaoke at the Wood Creek Bar & Grill
- Monday, November 19th 6:30p - NVFD Drill
- Saturday, November 24th 12n - Decorate E-30 for Tree Lighting
- Saturday, November 24th 5:30p - Norfolk Tree lighting (lighting at 6p)
- Sunday, November 25th 6p - North Canaan parade-of-lights
- Monday, November 26th 6p - NVFD equipment inspection & Officer meeting
- Friday, November 30th 6pm - Set up for breakfast at chapel
- Saturday, December 1st 6:30a to 11a - Breakfast W/ Santa
- Monday, December 3rd 7p - NVFD Monthly Meeting
- Saturday, December 22nd 5p-8p - Winsted Gator parade

Car 2:

No Report

Car 3:

Approval received by the Norfolk Now for an article of the year in review in December issue outlining amount of calls, saves, etc.

Car 4:

Brush truck needs to go in for brake job. Looking into Dave's Tires instead of George's. Pads already replaced twice for pads, looking for second opinion on rotors.

Car 5:

No Report

Car 6:

No Report

Car 7:

No Report

EMS Captain:

Two EMR and EMT refresher courses the 1st weekend in December in North Canaan. See Dan if interested.

Mechanics:

Engine 40 is now back. Engine 30 went out and came back. Only three issues. Tanker is now out, waiting for list of issues to come back.

Explorers:

See by-law amendment attached, to be voted on next month. Hard copy to be posted on board.

LCD:

No Report

Committee Reports:

- Rescue Tool Committee:

There is one more company to meet with. A few companies have been ruled out.

- House Committee:

No report

- Fund Raising:

- Looking for new Weekend in Norfolk ideas, see Matt Ludwig with suggestions. Possible ice carving & fried dough again and draw people to the EMS facility. Would need to find sponsors to fund the ice & carver.
- Breakfast with Santa is December 1st set up is the Friday before.
- M/S/P, Todd Miller to spend \$500 for food and candy canes, Jon Barbagallo, second.

- Insurance Committee

New VFIS insurance policy has begun covering members & Fire Cadets up to \$100k. Policy available to anyone that would like to see it.

M/S/P:

- Building Committee

Department committee and selectmen Riiska did a Station visit to Plymouth FD. Went from a 3500sqft station to 11,000sqft with a renovation/expansion with Burlington Construction. \$3.2mil, 10-month completion and was able to stay in the station during construction. Very nice, simple and very user friendly.

Correspondence:

Thank you note from Mcnamee's along with a \$100 donation for pumping their basement.

Old Business:

- Angela Hutchins was voted into membership.
- Karaoke November 17th 8pm-12am. DJ & the Pub are on board. Any raffle prize donations are welcome.

New Business:

- Tree lighting is the Saturday after Thanksgiving, November 24th Decorating of truck starts at noon. Be back to station at 5:30 to go up to the green.
- Isajah Miller voted into membership.

M/S/P Steve Hutchins, Corey Spring to adjourn at 7:40.

Katie Hester
NVFD Secretary