

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
August 5, 2019

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 34 members present.

**Secretary's Report**

**M/S/P**, Rowland Denny, Judy Ludwig to accept the Secretary's Report of July 1, 2019.

**Treasurer's Report**

We are at 3% of the Town Budget as of fiscal year end.

**M/S/P**, Richard Byrne, Rowland Denny to accept the Treasurer's Report.

**Officers' Reports:**

**Chief's Report:**

Officer of the month: Car 20 Wuori

-Norfolk Tanker shuttle drill (with mutual aid) on Winchester rd. By Parker Hill, Sunday, September 15th 9-12n. Please save the Date. Inviting 8 tankers on our geographic response list.

1. Winchester Tanker (3000gal)
2. Drakeville Tanker (3000gal)
3. North Canaan Tanker 3 (3000gal)
4. Colebrook Tanker 31 (4000gal)
5. Winsted E2 (2000gal)

6. Goshen Tanker (2500gal)
7. Falls Village Tanker 5 (2700gal)
8. Riverton Tanker 34 (3000gal)

- Goals: attempt to maintain 1000gpm for 45min uninterrupted AFTER units have unloaded their 1st load.

**M/S/P**, to spend \$100 of department funds for refreshments for the participants, Matthew Ludwig, Rowland Denny second.

- Reminder of the Annual Physicals at Concentra in Torrington. Forms emailed, copies at station. **Due by August 26th per the By-Laws.** Recommend calling for an appointment. (M-F, 8a to 5p, 860-482-4552)
- Friday August 9th Hose, Ladder, & Suction testing, 9:30a at Botelle upper lot
- Annual Elections Monday, August 26th 7pm at the FH.
- Annual Dinner Friday, Sept 27th 6p at the Coon club. Eddie & Theresa are retiring Sept 1st. Trish will continue with the catering.
- D.E.E.P. declined our T.I.C. 50/50 grant request due to lack of funds available
- Phasing out the 20-year-old monitor 4 pagers as they stop working, looking to buy Monitor 6s to equip the 11 new members we've taken in this last year.

**M/S/P**, for ten (10) new pagers at \$415 each, \$4150 total from Town Funds. Matthew Ludwig, Norman Christiansen second.

- Engine 90 was repaired, under \$1K, insurance not used
- Remember to use a Spotter while backing
- Congrats to LT Mike Fox & his fiancé Lenka Vish on their baby announcement
- Overhead door serviced the bay doors, gasket replacement on E40s door, serviced remote antennas
- Fall FF1, FF2, Exterior, RIT, Q-Endorsement classes at fire school. Have 2 for FF1. Casey & Justin
- Saturday, August 17th, Winsted Parade (6p step off) & Norfolk Country Club firework stand-by (8p)

-Forcible Entry class is Full (34 Attendees). 16 Norfolk members and remainder are mutual aid. Also have a reserve list for last minute cancellations.

-Joint meeting is before next meeting (Sat, Sept 7th 9a).

**M/S/P**, for \$30 for refreshments for the joint meeting from department funds, Matthew Ludwig, Judy Ludwig second.

-Class B foam. D.E.E.P. needs to be notified if we use it for fire suppression, no more training with it. Only have 15gal on E-30. CAFS/Class A foam is not affected. There are a couple of non-hazardous Class B foam options we can use when the time comes to replace it. F-500 is one option <http://www.hct-world.com/products/chemical-agents/f-500-encapsulator-agent/>

-Need to set a Council meeting date for member review per by-laws. TBD August 20th or 22nd.

-Whalen Dry hydrant needs to be dug up and reconfigured. Will do this in conjunction with the Estey Rd Dry hydrant

**M/S/P**, for \$400 from department funds for 8" pipe and fittings, Matthew Ludwig, Brian Hutchins second.

### **Important Dates:**

-Friday, August 9th 9:30a-4p - Hose testing at Botelle

-Monday, August 12th 6:30p - NVFD Drill

-Saturday, August 17th 5:30p - Winsted Parade (6p step off)

-August 17th 8p - Norfolk Country Club fireworks stand by

-Monday, August 19th 6:30p - NVFD Drill

-Monday, August 26th 7p - NVFD Annual Elections

-Saturday, September 7th 9a - Joint NVFD/NLCA Meeting

-Monday, September 9th 7p - NVFD Monthly Meeting

-Saturday, September 14th - Norfolk Car show

-Sunday, September 15th 9a-12n - Winchester Rd Tanker Shuttle Drill

-Monday, September 16th 6:30p - NVFD Drill (Bullard T.I.C. Demo)

-Sunday, September 22nd 12n - Barbour Woods trail race

-Friday, Sept 27th - NVFD Annual Dinner at Ye' Old New Gate Coon Club. 6p Social Hour, 7p Dinner, 8p Awards & Dessert

-October 12th Tour De Norfolk bike race, Rails to Trails



-Saturday, October 26th 8a-4p - Forcible Entry Class Norfolk.

**Car 2:**

Big thank you for helping this weekend for the WIN event, good turnout for water soccer and fire extinguisher class. New balls needed for next year, they only last about 3 yrs. Will look in the winter months for sales.

**Car 3:**

Rachel Barbagallo started the Intro to Fire service camp at the Fire Academy.

**M/S/P**, to pay \$850 out of department funds for Intro to Fire at the Fire Academy to later be reimbursed by a \$500 DEEP grant and the balance by Norfolk Children's Foundation, John Barbagallo, Rowland Denny second.

**Car 4:**

-If using rear suction on engine 90, close down valve first even when at an idle.

-Investigating 45-degree rear adapter for engine 90.

**Car 5:**

No Report

**Car 6:**

No Report

**Car 7:**

September 16<sup>th</sup> Bullard is coming to demo thermo imaging cameras.

**EMS Captain:**

- Trail race in Barbour Woods is September 22<sup>nd</sup> there will be a training either on the 9<sup>th</sup> or the 16<sup>th</sup> for it.
- The Rails to Trails bike race through Great Mountain Forest is Oct 12<sup>th</sup>
- Working on first responder renewals.
- Narcan will be expiring 9/1/19, looking into getting replacements.

**Mechanics:**

No Report

**Cadets:**

**M/S/P**, to make posted changes SOP's. Judy Ludwig, Roland Denny second.

**LCD:**

Rep will be from EMS instead of NVFD.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Rescue Tool Committee:**

No Report

- **House Committee:**

No Report

- **Truck Committee:**

No Report

- **Fund Raising:**

No Report

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

- **Building Committee**

Looking to get things moving with the Board of Selectman.

- **Tanker Committee**

Still investigating.

**Correspondence:**

Thank you note from McKenzie Byrne

**Old Business:**

Dinner at the Coon Club Friday September 27<sup>th</sup>. Ed and Theresa Kelley will have retired by then and Trish will be taking over. Choice of served meals instead of buffet. There will be a sign up posted, choices will need to be submitted two weeks before the dinner.

**New Business:**

- The ropes team is looking for better access at Bryce Mountain.
- Fail safe on the receiver for the quad can catch fire so do not keep it plugged in.
- Looking into getting separate bags to keep pins, straps, etc. together for both the brush truck and quad.
- 207 West Side Rd (stone house), renovation started. Possible visit during a drill night or weekend.
- New application for Heath Hews to be voted on next month.

**M/S/P**, Rowland Denny, Norman Christiansen to adjourn at 7:40.

  
Katie Hester  
NVFD Secretary