

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Oct. 5, 2020

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 24 members present.

Secretary's Report

M/S/P Rowland Denny, Dan Wuori to accept the Secretary's Report of Sept. 14, 2020.

Treasurer's Report

We are at 37% of the budget.

The NFVD has been set up with Tax Exempt accounts at Amazon and Home Depot. When using Amazon, if members go to smile.amazon.com, then a percent will be going back to the fire department.

M/S/P Richard Byrne, Jon Barbagallo to accept the Treasurer's Report of Sept. 14, 2020.

Officers' Reports:

Chief's Report:

Training to the 3 LT & Captain this month.

- Great work by everyone at the rollover accident last week. extricated 2 people in 8 minutes and went straight into CPR with the thumper waiting for EMS. Very coordinated.
- If we ever need a portable light tower to return the trucks to service while CSP conducts an investigation, request North Canaan FD and they will bring the light trailer up for the night. DOT to close and detour the road. Just request early.
- Oct 19th and Nov 23rd, Monday nights at the fire school for training (Mark your calendars)
- Covid cancelled the Ch8/Home Depot smoke detector give away
- Halloween detail on Maple Ave is on, Thursday the 31st from 5p to 7:30p
- (1) 4" Hose & (2) 1 3/4" has been repaired and is back in service
- Core Rescue Tech class in Pleasant valley. Starts Oct 17th. FF1/EMR prerequisite. See Car1 if interested.
- New Combustible Gas meter "Sniffers" on S20 & E40 in Lime Green Cases. Meter Training will be forthcoming.

- Tuesday October 13th at 7:00 p.m. flu clinic by CVS at the Forge Firehouse for anyone interested.
- State has change Changed the amount of incentive funds allowed. Requesting a committee be formed to look into the state's changes and the departments involvement. See Chief Ludwig if you want to serve on a committee.

M/S/P Matthew Ludwig, Rowland Denny to spend \$125.00 for Halloween candy and hot dogs for traditional Halloween on Oct. 31, to come from department funds.

Important Dates:

- Monday, October 12th 6:30p - NVFD Drill
- Thursday, October 15th 6p - New Firehouse Building Meeting
- Monday, October 19th 6:00p - **AT FIRE SCHOOL** "Smoke house/TICs"
- Wednesday, October 21st 9a - Fire Prevention at Botelle School
- Monday October 26th 6p - Equipment/Apparatus inspection, Officer Meeting
- Saturday, October 31st 5p-7p - Maple Ave Halloween detail
- Monday, November 2nd - SCBA Annual Flo-Check MES
- Monday, November 2nd 7p - NVFD Monthly Meeting
- Monday, November 23rd 6:00p **AT FIRE SCHOOL** "Chimney fires"

Car 2:

No Report

Car 3:

Pricing for new 800 radios has been received, and information will be going to the committee.

Car 4:

Looking to replace the 2 pin halogen bars.

M/SP Seven Hutchins, Matt Ludwig to spend not more than \$600.00 from town funds to purchase 2 halogen bars.

Car 5:

No Report

Car 6:

No Report

Car 7:

No Report

EMS Captain:

New Pulse-ox is in the bag on the Squad. New wipes will be needed.

M/S/P Dan Wuori, Matt Ludwig, to purchase rescue wipes, not to exceed \$80.00 from town funds, medical line.

Good job on recent call to Meadowbrook. Great teamwork. Daryl Byrne took the lead.

Every piece of apparatus, except the quad, has medical equipment on it.

Mechanics:

The pump heater on E30 needs to be looked at.

Tanker will be taken to NY to be looked at for renovations/repairs. Gowens and Knight will also be looking at the tanker for repairs.

Cadets:

No Report

LCD:

No Report

Committee Reports:

- **House Committee:**

New kitchen supplies are currently be purchased.

Think about what to do with the old big griddle in the meeting room. Sell it? New smaller propane ones are being purchased.

- **Fund Raising:**

Breast cancer t-shirts have been ordered. Ashley is in charge.

Breakfast with Santa – Drive-by? Or truck could bring a cold breakfast type meal to people in town? See Paul if interested in being on a committee.

Tree Lighting? How to modify? What is the best course? See Paul if interested in being on the committee.

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

- **Building Committee**

First Building Committee will be here at Oct. 15, 2020 at 6:00 pm, here at the Fire House, Chief Matthew Ludwig, and President Paul Padua have been asked to attend. Any ideas that members have about what we need in the new fire house, see the Chief or Paul and give them your ideas.

Any communication from the town regarding the building need to come through the fire house.

Correspondence:

Thank you note from Parisi family for the assistance at a call.

Thank you note from recipients of scholarships.

Thank you note from sewer district for allowing them to borrow equipment.

Old Business:

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, John DeShazo to donate \$250.00 to the CT Burn Foundation.

The national elections will not be taking place at the fire house.

New Business:

Fire Prevention Date for Oct. 21, 2020. No smoke trailer, but bring a truck to the school, let the kids look from the outside, no kids in the truck. Daryl is purchasing items to give to the students from Fire Marshall funds. There will be nothing inside of the school building.

Daryl has Fire Marshall account funds to purchase smoke alarms and CO2 detectors to give to town people.

Open burn has been suspended until further notice due to the existing drought.

The department has been trying to sell or donate the old Lancier Combi tool, no department wants them, and no one has made an offer to buy them. North Canaan is offering to purchase all of our Combi hydraulic tools and the Lucas tool on E30 for \$3000.00 plus they will pay for the work to hook up an outlet to the brush truck shed for the diesel tank. A new cutter tool to replace them would cost \$11,000.00, less the \$3000.00 from Canaan. In the end, it would cost the NVFD \$8000.00 from department funds to purchase a new Genesis cutter tool.

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, Matt Ludwig to sell the old Combi hydraulic tool and Lucas tool to North Canaan Fire Company for \$3000.00 plus the barter of work for the generator shed, and to purchase a new Genesis cutter tool for \$11,000.00 from department funds.

Keith Byrne has been offered a position at Fire Lieutenant in Canton, CT, he will not be around as much.

Judy Ludwig
NVFD Secretary