

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Jan. 4, 2021

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 22 members present.

**Secretary's Report**

**M/S/P** Dan Wuori, John DeShazo to accept the Secretary's Report of December 7, 2020.

**Treasurer's Report**

We are at 65% of the Town Budget.

Report tabled until next month.

**Officers' Reports:**

**Chief's Report:**

Training to the 3 LT & Captain this month.

- Fire School Spring Classes: Firefighter I, Firefighter II and Exterior Firefighter. The current plan is to run these programs in person, but will be monitoring Covid 19 and may need to start each program virtually. Let me know if you're interested.
- Council Budget meeting & membership review date.
- Extra credit incentive forms to Brian ASAP
- Incentive forms are due to the selectmen office by Feb 1st if you want a check in August
- Radio update: radios are in at Pittsfield communications being programmed. Base and S20 mobiles will be first to swapped over. Funds from our budget.

**Important Dates:**

- Monday, January 11th 6:30p - NVFD Drill
- Wednesday, January 13th 6p - COVID testing at the FD
- Monday, January 18th 6:30p - NVFD Drill
- Monday, January 25th 6:30p - Equipment inspection/Officer Meeting
- Monday, February 1st - Incentive forms due to town hall
- Monday, February 1st 7p - Monthly Meeting

**M/S/P** Matt Ludwig, Sandy Evans, to purchase 27 radio holsters & 8 straps. Holsters are \$44. each, straps are \$38. each for \$1500.00 from Town Funds, new equipment line. We will be reusing 19 current straps.

M/S/P Matt Ludwig, Brian Hutchins, to purchase a new HDMI projector with sound bar for \$210.00 from Town Funds, replacement line.

**Car 2:**

Thanks for all who have been helping with calls.

Incentive forms are in the meeting room and have been emailed, get to Brian before Feb. 1. Fill out extra form if you've done things that are not on the normal call list.

**Car 3:**

Had hoped to purchase new radios from Board of Finance, they will not be able to purchase new radios due to budget issues.

Please keep former Chief Steve Osborne in your thoughts and prayers, as his girlfriend of 21 years passed away last weekend.

**Car 4:**

No Report

**Car 5:**

No Report

**Car 6:**

No Report

**Car 7:**

No Report

**EMS Captain:**

Keep the numbers of members down in the truck due to increase of COVID-19. Many members have signed up for the vaccine. If you still want to get a shot at a later date, see Matt.

If you don't have an ID badge, Matt will write a letter on letterhead to insure you can get the vaccine.

**Fire Marshall:**

Thanks for help with Royal Arcanumbuilding; they are working on redoing their system.

In every room/apt. in Meadowbrook, there is a "help me I've fallen" switch, you need to push the switch 'up' to turn off the alarm. There are 2 switches in each apt.

Husky Meadow Farms has ordered a large Knox Box for their facility. They will have up to 18 people there.

Yellow building next to Infinity will be an Art Gallery, and old Pizza shop will still be a commercial building. Zoning permits have made it through, and are now in the hands of the Fire Marshall for approval.

**Mechanics:**

E-30 should be back this week.

**Cadets:**

No Report

**LCD:**

Slight COVID scare, but seems to be in check. Staffing levels are adequate.

**Committee Reports:**

- **House Committee:**

No report

- **Fund Raising:**

Breakfast with Santa made \$18.00 in profit, more of a Public Service than a Fund Raiser

Santa Delivery made over \$300.00, there were over a dozen stops.

Tree Lighting, a good give back to the public, no fund raising.

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

- **Building Committee**

Meeting will be held on 1/13/21. First Selectman has been in touch with the architect who did Falls Village.

**Correspondence:**

Thank you from CT. Burn Foundation, and Auxiliary for Community Health for donations we made.

Donations received from families for responding to calls.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Firefighter Cancer Support group and IAFF are putting on a big push with lots of information on their web site.

1-800-firefighter line is no longer available. Sign removed from the station.

Members would like Dan to schedule another test date. Some departments are doing testing on a weekly basis. Recommendation to do testing on Wednesday so that results are back before Monday drills.

Next COVID testing date for Wed. Jan. 13, 2021 at 6:00 pm

9-11 Committee will be meeting later this month. A date will be posted for those who want to sign up.

M/S/P Matt Ludwig, Jon Barbagallo to adjourn at 7:29 pm.

Judy Ludwig  
NVFD Secretary