

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department
Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2025

Vice President Martyn Banks called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The President asked for a moment of silence for our past deceased members.

There were 25 members present.

Secretary's Report

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, Justin Z to accept the Minutes of January 6, 2025.

Treasurer's Report

We are at 65% of the Town Budget

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

Officers' Reports:

Chief's Report:

Chief Brian Hutchins presented the proposed budget for 2025-26, \$132,400.00 an increase of \$4675.00 which is 3.66% over last year.

M/S/P Richard Byrne, Matthew Ludwig to approve the proposed 2025-26 budget of \$132,400.00 to be sent to the Town of Norfolk.

The largest increase was in contracts and servicing of meters from Fire Equipment Headquarters. Truck maintenance went up \$5000.00 due to a new set of tires that need to be purchased.

Budget for fiscal year 25-26 was prepared by the council. The proposed budget is \$132,400.

Winter Weekend in Norfolk is this month. We were thinking of having an open house on Sunday February 23rd from noon to two.

We reached out to the homeowner of the School House Rd barn to be burned down.

Shooting for April 12th with a rain date of April 19th to accomplish the task. Obviously depending on fire danger

We are working on a "return to duty" policy. I should have a completed copy to present next month.

This month training is Car 20

Weekend in Norfolk, Chief proposed just doing an Open House on Sunday, Feb. 23, 2025 from Noon to 1 or 2 to answer questions.

Car 2:

SCBA order was submitted. 18 packs with 18 spare bottles, 10 extra masks for members that have glasses, & a mini RIT bag . SCOTT is going to production in March, shipping in May. Looking at a 4 month production time, looking at July-September for delivery to us.

Incentive committee meeting in February. Have all extra credit forms in by this Friday the 7th.

Training & event dates are on FireTek with the ability to RSVP.

Q class at the academy in March & April. Anyone interested see us asap, They will fill fast.

NEIRS transition slated for October for CT departments. Our vendor Red Alert is taking care of everything.

LCD transition with the new response channel slated for March 21st. Dispatch will be receive only. Old HT1250s and POV CDM1250s I will program in house. 800mhz template was sent to Pittsfield communications and CTS/state for approval.

New member application for Nick Amato

Car 3:

No Report

Car 4:

No Report

Car 5:

No Report

Car 6:

No Report

EMS Captain:

Anyone not at annual training, complete the email sent out by March 1, 2025

Public Relations:

No Report

Fire Marshall:

New state Fire Marshall. She got grant for, for Smoke Detectors and CO2 and batteries. See Keith Byrne if interested, he can get some for the department.

Mechanics:

Tanker has been repaired, set of wheels will be covered under warrantee. It was a manufacturing defect.

Cadets:

No Report

LCD:

They are working on the budget

Committee Reports:

- **House Committee:**

No Report

- **Fund Raising:**

Make sure that all payments have been made for Breast Cancer shirts.

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

- **Building Committee**

- Still looking at money saving issues. Will have firmer figures for total cost, and then will go to the town for a meeting and vote.

- **Anniversary Committee**

No Report

- **Truck Committee**

No Report

- **By-Law Committee**

No Report

Correspondence:

Bonus Check from MidWest truck for referral to another department.

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, Matt Ludwig to earmark the bonus check from Mid West for truck stuff.

Donation in memory of Dorothy Williams-Dallas and Alvin J. Dallas.

New London Fire Department is having a Gulf Tournament. It will be posted at the fire house.

Old Business:

Everything for the ropes team has been purchased, now will purchase a stokes basket on recommendation from the officers. All equipment has been upgraded. Makes rescues more efficient and safer.

Annual cache of equipment will be done at Falls Village, need Squad 20 on a Tuesday evening, TBD.

New Business:

Dan Wuori brought up bills that are going through the state legislature regarding firefighter cancer.

M/S/P Steven Hutchins, Matthew Ludwig to adjourn at 7:48 pm

Judy Ludwig, NVFD Secretary