

Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
November 3, 2025

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 26 members present.

**Secretary's Report**

**M/S/P** Todd Miller, Gary Bottom to accept the Minutes of October 6, 2025.

**Treasurer's Report**

No report due to the issue from Town Hall has not been corrected.

**Officers' Reports:**

**Chief's Report:**

- Thank you to everyone who has been active and helping. Notably the Halloween standby and the smoke house training at the fire school.
- Unbelievably the tree lighting is this month. Come decorate a truck, ride with Santa, and drink hot chocolate. November 29, 2025.
- Car 5 has training this month.
- The NVFD banquet was a rather good success. There are things to improve for next year. We approved up to \$2300, and the bill came in at \$1850.
- Fit testing was well attended. We will be hosting it again in April to catch people who were not able to attend. Will be doing fascial year instead of calendar year.
- November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30 am there is a baby shower at the station. An invitation will be included in the minutes. Everyone is invited.

**Car 2:**

The depts been requested to meet with BOF for capital planning and future operational expenses on Nov 12th. We have a PowerPoint and talking points prepared for them.

**-Motion** to try and sell the old SCBAS and bottles or find a worthy school/department/mission to donate them to. Keeping one old pack for a training/drag pack.

-**Motion** for up to \$300 for munchkins and coco/cider/supplies for the tree lighting. Same quantities as last year.

-Radio reprogramming with Pittsfield communications is this Thursday. Waiting to see if we can OTAP or if they need to push the new program to the portables.

-A new color Copier/Scanner/Fax is coming with Air Print capabilities beginning of December. Same company (Ryan Business). Annual service cost is 1/2 of what we pay now (\$275). Included annually: 1500color, 6000B/W copies, All Toner, Repairs, and Service.

**M/S/P** Karl Janak, Dan Wuori to authorize the 3 chiefs to sell the old SCBA's and bottles.

**M/S/P** Todd Miller, Judy Ludwig to not exceed \$300.00 for supplies for tree lighting.

**Car 3:**

Close to apparatus repair time, let Steve know if there is a problem with any truck.

Live burn went very well, some items to work on, will do more training over the winter months.

**Car 4:**

No Report

**Car 5:**

If any cadets need a ride to any training, call Mike Listorti and he will pick you up to get to the training.

**Car 6:**

No Report

**Car 7:**

CPR class sometime in January. Ted will announce date.

**EMS Captain:**

Environmental training at ambulance barn at 7:00 this Thursday.

**Public Relations:**

No Report

**Fire Marshall:**

Good to go for NERIS.

Arcanum building bought by new owners, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor tenants are temporarily gone. Keith found that the sprinkler system was shut off. Doors have been resecured, old keys will not work, new locks are punch codes, Keith will get punch code to chief, doors with keys will still work

Tau Confucianism – Asian Cultural Center of Connecticut. Art building is now open, fire connection is on the A/D corner of the building, gates on Westside are not locked. On dispatch, 3 main buildings are identified. There is a map showing where the specific buildings are. There are blue signs with clearly marked letters for the buildings.

### **Mechanics:**

Got rid of old tires from E40 for \$700, thank you letter will be sent.

M/S/P Gary Bottum, Mike Listorti to put the \$700.00 into truck stuff line item.

### **Cadets:**

Bentley looking forward to joining cadets, will put an application in.

### **LCD:**

Changing directors for town of Norfolk, Suzanne Hinman will be the new director representing the Ambulance.

### **Committee Reports:**

- **House Committee:**

Thanks to Theresa for the chili and hot dogs for the dinner tonight. Keep the refrigerator clean, had to be hosed down due to how dirty it was. Will need help at tree lighting to prepare and serve hot chocolate.

- **Fund Raising:**

Karaoke is coming up. Will be at the Pub. Need raffle prizes. Nov. 22, 2025, at 8:00 pm.

Breast Cancer tee shirts, a few are still available at the store and bank. There are some misprinted shirts available at the firehouse, available for taking.

Veteran tree is now at the bank to increase donations.

Breakfast with Santa – Dec. 5, set up at 6:00 pm, on Dec. 6 be there at 6:00 am to start cooking, breakfast starts at 7:00

- **Insurance Committee**

No Report

- **Building Committee**

Everything is moving along slowly. Papers can't be signed until the new First Selectman can sign the papers, Nov. 19, 2025. More funds are coming in. Hopefully will see some site work by the end of the month. Will have to move trailers and stuff. Will have to turn the trucks around to all go out the front door. Brush 50 will be difficult to maneuver into its spot. Looking for off-site spot for some equipment.

- **Anniversary Committee**

No Report

- **Truck Committee**

No Report

- **By-Law Committee**

No Report

**Correspondence:**

None

**Old Business:**

Accepted application for Brian Hennesy last month, voted into membership.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Fire Prevention event at Botelle School.

**New Business:**

Veterans Day at the School is Tues. Nov. 11. The elevator at the school is broken, will need assistance getting veterans into the Hall of Flags. Program starts at 10:00, be at school by 9:30 to assist.

Anyone with old coats, sweaters, see Amanda, she donates them those in need.

Successful event for cancer screening, working on a screening program that will be put out to all departments. Working on another bill, hopefully will make it out of committee this year. Winsted Firehouse, in the future, will be hosting an event for testing for esophagus testing.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Judy Ludwig  
NVFD Secretary