

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
NOANK FIRE DISTRICT
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, February 9, 2021

Date: February 9, 2021
Held VIA Zoom
Time: 7:00 pm

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Chairman Frank Socha.
Committee members present: Michael Noel, Katherine Rathbun, Frank Socha (Chairman)
Others present: Russ Fowler (Water Superintendent), Charlie Chaffee (Fire Marshal),
David Steel (Fire Chief), Frank Lewis (Assistant Water Superintendent) Cindy Steel
(Treasurer), Nancy Gilmore (Clerk)

II. Public Comments

Peter Drakos commented that the Spicer Avenue sign was down.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion (Noel/Rathbun) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting January 12, 2021
as presented passed.

IV. Reports of District Officials

David Steel reported for the Fire Department. They responded to 8 calls, 6
Medical and 2 Other. All active members have been vaccinated. The roof is not
leaking. The chief would like to thank Michael Noel for all his efforts with the
new roof. The boiler broke down. Densmore came and fixed. There was a
discussion on whether Noank should be charged since the boiler should still be
under warrantee. The fire department has been conducting limited training on
Monday evenings.

Charlie Chaffee gave the Fire Marshal Report. All monthly testing was
performed. He performed another follow up at 145 Pearl Street. There is an issue
with access to a couple of the buildings. Chaffee took an online career course.
Katherine Rathbun asked about the fire alarms at the water company garage.
David Steel is looking into it.

Russ Fowler reported for the Water Company. There were 4 CBYD calls in
January. He took the truck for the 10,000 mile checkup. He will send in requests
for payments from the state for the Mosher Ave Bridge. They received a call
about pink mold in a bathroom Talewinds Lane. They responded to a leaking
valve at the Noank Shipyard. Lyon will handle Noank Shipyard and Crosswinds
repairs at the same time. The state alerted the Noank Water Company regarding
the creation of a five year plan. Russ got a note from Atlantic States. There are no
appreciable leaks. There will be retesting when the bridge work is complete. There
is a discussion regarding the type of insulation for the pipe coming into Noank
Village over the bridge.

Cindy Steel gave the Treasurer's report. She got \$6500 from Hastedt Brothers Insurance Company for the hydrant repair. A check will be written from the Fire Company to the Water Company for hydrant rentals. \$50,000 will be transferred from the Water Company to the Fire District for the new roof.

V. Communications

VI. Old Business

A review of the situation with the new roof was conducted. The damaged light was replaced. An inspection was performed. Silkton will come back to fix the yard in the spring. Ceiling tiles will be repaired.

VII. New Business

VIII. Other Business

Mike Noel asked about the large legal bills. Between the issues with dumping sand at Esker Point Beach and Short Term Rentals, our attorney has spent a lot of time on phone calls with the Zoning Commission.

Russ will check on the blowoff valve by the lighthouse. It was damaged during land clearing and the contractor agreed to repair the damage.

It was agreed it would be better to use the money in the Citizen's Bank account than to take a state low interest loan to replace valves.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore
Noank Fire District Clerk