

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

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

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Acting Chairman Katherine Rathbun.

Committee members present: Katherine Rathbun, Michael Noel

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

None.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion (Noel/Rathbun) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting February 9, 2021 as modified passed.

IV. Reports of District Officials

David Steel reported for the Fire Department. They responded to 6 calls, 3 Medical and 3 Other. They have started responding to all calls. Steel is looking into changing the radio service. It will be expensive. He will blend the two together until the old one is phased out. The town went to the new one and it is good. It has good coverage even in places where we currently don't have good coverage. Steel will try to get an estimate. Steel will meet with CTDOT on Tuesday, March 16 to discuss the raising of the road by 6 inches at the bridge.

Charlie Chaffee gave the Fire Marshal Report. All monthly testing was performed. The issue at 145 Pearl Street regarding access has been taken care of. Noank Shipyard moved some boats. The Fire District will continue to use Bartelli, Inc to do quarterly inspections. Chaffee took a career development class online. He inspected the new portico at 205 Elm Street. He has not heard from the town about the parking at the corner of Main and Pearl Streets.

Russ Fowler reported for the Water Company. Russ brought up again the concern regarding the insulation on the water pipe coming in with the new bridge. A schedule needs to be determined for the bridge. There is a valve problem on the southernmost dock at Noank Shipyard. There are boats on the curb box. This is scheduled to be taken care of on March 20. The painting of hydrants was discussed. There are still 35 to be done. Discussion on how many to do this summer took place. Commissioners will look get input from Frank Socha before making a final decision.

There was no zoning officers report. Nancy Gilmore will contact the zoning secretary to get the reports.

Cindy Steel gave the Treasurer's report. She would like to set up a budget for the Water Company. She will meet with Michael Noel to discuss.

V. Communications

A request was received to set up a book box in the park. The commissioners felt it was a good idea. Nancy Gilmore will contact Rob Warn to make the final decision.

VI. Old Business

The proposal for alarms at the Water Company garage was discussed again. David Steel felt Simply Safe was the best way to go. There will be 2 smoke detectors, 2 door switches, a ups power backup. The price is \$14/mth.

VII. New Business

VIII. Other Business

Michael Noel attended a Groton Long Point Bridge replacement meeting. The financing will be on the November referendum.

The Executive Committee will hold its budget preparation meeting the week of April 19. The date is to be determined.

A question was raised about continuing to hold virtual meetings. It was decided we would continue at this time. The subject will be brought up at each meeting.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore
Noank Fire District Clerk