

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
NOANK FIRE DISTRICT  
10 WARD AVENUE  
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: 13 September, 2022

**I. Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Michael Noel.  
Committee members present: Katherine Rathbun, Michael Noel, David Steel  
Others present: Michael Gale (Fire Chief), Russ Fowler (Water Superintendent), Frank Lewis (Assistant Water Superintendent), Cindy Steel (Treasurer), Nancy Gilmore (NFD Clerk)

**II. Public Comments – None**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

A motion (Rathbun/Steel) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting August 9, 2022 as amended passed.

**IV. Reports of District Officials**

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Department. The Groton Fire Officers have been awarded the Radio Grant. Noank's estimated portion is \$7,126 for equipment. The total cost has yet to be determined. Gale would like to thank David Steel for all the effort he put in on this grant prior to his retirement. The boiler inspection occurred on September 9.

Russ Fowler reported for the Water Company. There were 17 CBYD calls during August. Backflow testing was completed. Russ Fowler and Rick Stevens are working on the Little Gull Lane application. Extra testing for coliform is requested. The number of homeowners signing up for interest in public water on Little Gull Lane/Fishtown Lane is currently 14 of 18. The expense will be a determining factor. The next big project is replacing the valves at the intersection of Church and Front Streets. That will occur September 19-21. It will be posted on the website and an email will be sent out.

The ZEO Report was read by Michael Noel. 17 Permits were issued.

Cindy Steel gave the Treasurer's report. The trash bills have been sent out. Some of the deposit for the fire engine will be moved to Citizen's Bank. Noank has received \$20,000 less in taxes from TOG than expected.

**V. Communications None**

**VI. Old Business**

There was a discussion regarding the changes to the election process. It will be listed on the Noank Fire District website 90 days prior to the annual meeting the available positions and people who are interested. The goal is to get more participation on the fire district committees. Larry Dunn will hold a meeting to encourage participation. He will also contact The Day prior to the annual meeting.

**VII. New Business**

A proposal was presented to redo the liens every year instead of the current process of adding on to current liens. A motion Steel/Rathbun to change the process to cancel all existing liens on a yearly basis and create new ones passed.

It was proposed to add a bridge celebration to the Noank Fire Department Open House on October 15. Frank Lewis will decorate the bridge with flags and a cake will be purchased.

David Steel will order a new computer to be shared between the Zoning Commission and Water Company.

**VIII. Other Business – None**

**IX. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore  
Noank Fire District Clerk