

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

Date: 11 October, 2022

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 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

Peter Drakos commented on the good job which has been done on the Spicer property.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion (Rathbun/Steel) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting September 13 2022 as amended passed.

IV. Reports of District Officials

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Department. In September there were 18 EMS calls, 1 Hazmat , 1 water rescue and 7 others. For the water rescue the command center was run from Noank Shipyard. The mutual aid agreements came into play. The reinspection of the boiler met the state standards. G41 and G42 hose and ladder testing was performed on October 6. A donation of a marine radio was made to the department and is on the G42. Chaffee and Gale attended the NL County Chiefs meeting on September 7th and Groton Fire Officer meeting on September 28.

Charlie Chaffee reported for the Fire Marshal's office. The monthly inspections were performed. He is preparing for the October 15 Open House. He still needs to do some reinspections from September. 36 Main Street is currently unoccupied. The fire pit issues at 12 & 22 Pearl Street are being monitored.

Russ Fowler reported for the Water Company. There were 10 CBYD calls during September. He is signed up for some training. The Copper Lead sampling went well. The report on congregate flushing was filed. The Emergency Plan is being updated.

Mike Noel read the Zoning Enforcement Officer's Report. There were 15 permits issued.

Cindy Steel gave the Treasurer's report. She is in contact with the auditors. The report should be ready in December. Repair and Maintenance will be combined for budgeting and expense reporting. The transfer of fire truck funds has not been completed.

V. Communications

An email was received from John Casey checking on our progress with implementing Sexual Harassment training.

The Frank Socha memorial tree should be in place with 2 weeks.

VI. Old Business

The Fishtown Lane/Little Gull Lane proposal for public water was discussed. It was reported the TOG does not own the roads. James Furlong talked about the possibility of getting a grant to help with the expenses. An application for a grant is in progress. A comment was made by Bunny Furlong that hydrants in that area would be a very good reason to include in the grant application.

David Steel purchased a computer to be shared between the zoning secretary and the water company.

VII. New Business

Mike Haige came and offered free technical assistance and training for updating the water supply plan. He said there will be a template for all systems to use. The plan will not be due until 2024. The state will issue a new notice, likely in 2023.

VIII. Other Business – None

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore
Noank Fire District Clerk