

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
NOANK FIRE DISTRICT
10 WARD AVENUE
MEETING MINUTES

Date: 13 December, 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 (Steel/Rathbun) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting November 8 , 2022 as presented passed.

IV. Reports of District Officials

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Department. In November there were 22 EMS calls, 1 fire and 7 others. A tree was on fire on Brook Street. Noank went to the Seaport Marine fire. There was asbestos exposure. All clothing has been sent for cleaning. On November 23, a Groton Fire Officer meeting was attended. Pete Kelley will be driving Santa from the firehouse to Mumford Cove for the annual party.

Charlie Chaffee reported for the Fire Marshal's office. The monthly inspections were performed. Chaffee received the email regarding excessive brush at 798 Groton Long Point Road. He is looking into it.

Russ Fowler reported for the Water Company. Weekly testing within the building at the Mystic River Congregate has eliminated the need for weekly hydrant flushing. The list of questions regarding Little Gull Lane water is being compiled. The A and D docks at Noank Shipyard have had the water shutdown. Will need to review situation in the spring. Russ has been taking courses and certification training. The lead content at 18 Mainsail is still high. Russ is developing a 5 year plan. He will be meeting with the State regarding the Anderson Marsh on 01/04/2023.

Mike Noel read the Zoning Enforcement Officer's Report. There were 11 permits issued in November.

Cindy Steel gave the Treasurer's Report. The auditor's report looked good.

V. Communications

VI. Old Business

The Fishtown Lane/Little Gull Lane proposal for public water was discussed. An attempt will be made to see how much it will cost. Mike Noel has received information from Joe Courtney's office on how to apply for grants. Paul Bates suggested contacting Penny Newberry regarding her interest in working on the grant applications. She will be asked to attend an Executive Committee Meeting.

The Executive Committee decided to put a hold on the suggestion the Zoning Commission be eliminated and Noank go by Groton Zoning Regulations.

Nancy Gilmore will contact Bob Butler regarding his interest in working with Russ on the Memorial Day parade.

VII. New Business

It was decided water rates would require a twenty percent increase for 2023.

VIII. Other Business

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore
Noank Fire District Clerk