

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
NOANK FIRE DISTRICT
10 WARD AVENUE
MEETING MINUTES

Date: 14 March 2023

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), Ted Rathjen (Water Company), Cindy Steel (Treasurer), Nancy Gilmore (NFD Clerk)

II. Public Comments

Jim Furlong congratulated the Noank Fire District for getting the grant into Courtney's office on time.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion (Steel/Rathbun) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting February 14, 2023 as amended passed.

IV. Reports of District Officials

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Department. In February there were 7 EMS calls, 4 others for a total of 11 calls. Groton has allocated \$15,000 to Noank for COVID responses. Gale will work on the distribution plan. G46 had a minor incident resulting in a scratch and dent. A repair is scheduled for April 3. G42 had a seized On-Spot. It is scheduled for repairs by Shipman's for March 15. A new solar spotlight has been placed at the Brook St. flagpole. Gale received a letter from the Town Manager regarding the bridge replacement over Palmer's Cove. The design will be starting soon with construction beginning in 2025 or 2026. Gale received a signed copy of the Master Agreement with the state regarding reimbursement for any money spent on relocating Fire Alarm wiring during DOT projects. Integrated Security Solutions resealed the outside front of the building. Gale is awaiting a proposal for maintaining and testing of the fire alarm system.

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Marshal's office. The monthly inspections were performed. The battery in the emergency light was replaced. Chaffee attended the Groton Fire Officers Meeting. Chaffee attended 5 days of EMT training.

Russ Fowler reported for the Water Company. He introduced Ted Rathjen. The Mystic Congregate water testing received satisfactory results . Mike Hage met with Ted Rathjen. The State has changed the certification requirements. Russ,

Frank Lewis, and Ted Rathjen attended the AWWA Annual Conference. They are making a list of all streets with 3” pipes. Russ is in the process of prioritizing all outstanding projects. There were 5 CBYD calls in February.

Cindy Steel gave the Treasurer’s Report. She will write a check for the hydrant rentals. She will also review the delinquent water customer situation.

V. Communications

Mike Noel reported the State has taken over the GLP Bridge project.

VI. Old Business

The water grant was submitted on March 12. The Executive Committee is very grateful for all the work Penny Newbury did to make that happen.

Russ Fowler met with Bob Butler regarding the Memorial Day Parade.

Mike Noel reported he has contacted Fusaro Chimney to do the work on the firehouse chimney this spring.

VII. New Business

The budget meeting will be held the second week of April.

VIII. Other Business

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore
Noank Fire District Clerk