

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
NOANK FIRE DISTRICT
10 WARD AVENUE
MEETING MINUTES

Date: 14 May 2024

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), Charles Chaffee (Fire Marshal), Frank Lewis (Water Company), Ted Rathjen (Water Company Superintendent), Nancy Gilmore (NFD Clerk), Cindy Steel (Treasurer)

II. Public Comments

Peter Drakos asked about the current status of the Marsh Road cell tower. He stated he thought Noank Fire Districts approach to the issue was good. Mike Noel commented Rick Smith had put a lot of time into it.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion (Rathbun/Steel) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 9, 2024 as amended passed.

IV. Reports of District Officials

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Department. In March there were 0 fire calls, 20 EMS, 1 Hazmat, 10 Other for a total of 31 calls. On April 20 Gale attended the Old Mystic Fire Department Banquet. On April 24th, Noank Fire Department hosted the Groton Fire Officers meeting. They have received the Salamander ID printer. Gale will be working on Templates for District and Water Department ID's. The new pagers are now fully in service. He is still waiting for the final agreement with the Town of Groton for the ARPA grant. Gale has scheduled for Foam Tank Cleaning on May 15th. That will remove the hazardous PFAS containing foam from the apparatus.

Charles Chaffee reported for the Fire Marshal's office. The monthly inspections at the firehouse were performed. An inspection at 5 Center Street was performed. A tour of 10 Main Place was performed with Peter Morris and Ledge Light Health District was notified. Letters of Intent to Inspect were sent. Chaffee attended the NLCFC Meeting.

Ted Rathjen reported for the Water Company. There were 17 CBYD calls in April. They completed correlation leak detection on several streets. No leaks were detected. They replaced a 2" curb stop at Spicer's Marina near D Dock. Several seasonal services were turned back on. NWC has been working with Groton Utilities locating and determining depth of our system on Marsh Road. Work on repaving is scheduled to begin about June 1. Most of the time was spent on the

L/C Service Line inventory. So far with 65% of residences reporting, there has been no indication of lead.

David Steel reported for the Zoning Enforcement Officer. There were 8 permits issued in April.

Cindy Steel reported for the Treasurer's office. She is continuing her effort to increase the credit limit. She has reviewed the budget.

V. Communications

We received a thank you from the TOG for the \$5,000 contribution for the Noank School fence.

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business

The Park Commission will be contacted to take care of the park benches which are badly in need of repair.

VIII. Other Business

IX. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn (Steel/Rathbun) passed at 8:08 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore
Noank Fire District Clerk