

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

Date: 11/12/2024

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Michael Noel.
Committee members present: Michael Noel, David Steel, Katherine Rathbun
Others present: Michael Gale (Fire Chief), Charles Chaffee (Fire Marshal), Frank Lewis (Water Company), Ted Rathjen (Water Company Superintendent), Cindy Steel (Treasurer), Nancy Gilmore (NFD Clerk)

II. Public Comments

None

III. Motion (Rathbun/Noel) to approve minutes of 10/08/2024 as submitted passed.

IV. Reports of District Officials

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Department. In October there were no fires, 28 EMS, 2 Hazmat, and 8 Other calls for a total of 38 calls. On October 14, the Department responded to a MVA on Fishtown Road. Groton Long Point, Mystic and Old Mystic Fire Department performed the extrication of four occupants. Noank Fire Department would like to thank all of our Mutual Aid partners, the ambulance crews, Medics and police officers for their dedication and professionalism during this difficult incident. On October 18, the Department was responding to a medical call and was waved down for a car which had crashed into a house on Elm Street. Mutual Aid from Mystic FD was requested. On October 21st the Department held the annual Harassment Policy training. On October 28, members of the Department attended HazMat training at Old Mystic FD. On December 18th Chief Gale attended the GLP FD banquet. G46 was out of service for several days for repairs.

Charles Chaffee reported for the Fire Marshal's office. The monthly inspections at the firehouse were performed. Inspections were performed at 18 Cathedral Heights Pre-School and 201 Elm Street Apartments. A follow-up was performed at the Main Block building. Training meetings for NLCFCA, Haz-Mat Training And GFO Meeting were attended.

Mike Noel reported for the Water Company. There were 17 CBYD calls in October. Potter Court Water Main Project is nearly complete. The Town of Groton will do temporary repairs to the pavement on Pearl, Potter, and Riverview. Permanent repairs and repaving will begin next year. Ted Rathjen would like to thank the residents of Noank for their patience. Noank Water employees attended the annual CTRWWA conference on October 17. The final Lead Copper Survey Report was submitted on time. All but 12 inspections were submitted. NWC

purchased a new Magnetic locator to assist in underground pipe location. Rathjen is looking for approval to purchase a locator that can locate concrete and plastic underground. The cost is approximately \$6,000. The Elm Street Culvert project is starting with installation of new temporary utility poles.

There were 9 permits issued in October by the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Cindy Steel gave the Treasurer reports.

V. Communications

VI. Old Business

A new lock has been installed downstairs.

A motion (KR/DS) to approve up to \$1,000 for masonry work around the firehouse was approved.

Ted Rathjen recommended to the Executive Committee they find someone to write grant proposals.

VII. New Business

VIII. Other Business

Water rates will be established at a special meeting to be held on November 21 at 6PM.

IX. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn (Steel/Rathbun) passed at 6:37 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore
Noank Fire District Clerk