

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

Date: 12/10/2024

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Michael Noel.

Committee members present: Michael Noel, Katherine Rathbun

Others present: Michael Gale (Fire Chief), Nancy Gilmore (NFD Clerk)

II. Public Comments

None

III. A motion (Rathbun/Noel) to approve minutes of regular meeting 11/12/2024 as submitted passed.

A motion (Rathbun/Noel) to approve minutes of special meeting on 11/21/2024 as amended passed.

IV. Reports of District Officials

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Department. In November there were no fire calls, 18 EMS calls, and 20 Other calls totaling 38 calls. On 11/3, the Department responded to a sunken boat at Spicer Marina. Due to limited information, the Old Mystic Dive Team was requested to check for occupants. There were none on board. On 11/4, cold water rescue suits were found to be unserviceable. New suits have been placed into service. On 11/15 and 11/17 the Department responded as cover company to Ledyard. On 11/18 the Department responded to cover company to Poquonnock Bridge. On 11/11, AA lock and Key installed a new keypad on the downstairs door. On 11/16 the toilet in the meeting room was found to be leaking. It was repaired the next day. On 11/25, Densmore replaced two circulator pumps on the boiler system. On 11/21 and 11/22 Gale and Chaffee attended the IAAI conference in Rocky Hill.

Michael Gale reported for the Fire Marshal's office. The monthly inspections at the firehouse were performed. The new owners of the Main Block are looking in to installing sprinklers throughout the building.

Nancy Gilmore read Ted Rathjen's report for the Water Company. Potter Court Water Main project was completed with all residents connected to the system. Town of Groton Public Works Volunteered to pave the areas affected during construction until next spring at which time Potter Court will be repaved.

The new Fire Hydrant on the western side of Pearl Street opposite Potter Court is in service.

In compliance with state regulations, NWC sent certified letters to the 11 homes that have not responded to our numerous requests to certify what service materials were used connecting to our system. At this time, all unknown properties are assumed to be lead. NWC continues to make attempts to contact the homeowners.

The NWC completed 4 seasonal residential shutdowns and 2 commercial shutdowns.

Superintendent Rathjen presented budget item projects and purchases to the Noank Executive Committee for consideration.

Several phone meetings were held with Karl Acimovic, Engineer, to discuss grant questions needed to complete the engineering report.

Updated information requested by the state for the second water samples to determine if there is lead and/or copper in our water supply. The NWC is compliant for 2024.

The former water tower location was cleared of overgrown vegetation and the area was leveled.

NWC has begun sorting through years of documents and outdated material located at the Brook Street garage. The state has been contacted to determine how long the NWC needs to store records before discarding.

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

The Treasurer's reports were emailed to the Committee.

V. Communications

VI. Old Business

Mike Noel stated the NFD is looking for 75% reimbursement for Potter Court. Karl Acimovic did the drawings.

VII. New Business

None

VIII. Other Business

None

IX. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn (Rathbun/Noel) passed at 7:22 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gilmore
Noank Fire District Clerk