

**Bristol Fire Department
Board of Engineers Meeting
June 29, 2026**

A Quorum was established, Call to order, Attendance, Minutes & Agenda Approval, Next Regular Business Meeting.

The quorum was established, and the meeting was called to order by Chief Michael DeMello at 1901 hours.

Attendance

- ☐ Chief of the Department Michael DeMello
- ☐ Deputy Chief of Admin. Safety & Training Stephen Knapman,
- ☐ Deputy Chief of Operations Adam Medeiros Hydraulion
- ☐ Assistant Chief Dennis Cabral Ever Ready
- ☐ Assistant Chief Luis Medeiros Defiance
- ☐ Assistant Chief Zachary Rivers Dreadnaught
- ☒ ~~EMS Captain Brad Palmer~~ ~~Div. of EMS~~
- ☐ Board Clerk Lou Mascola
- ☐ Lt. Ross Tomkinson Division of EMS

Agenda & Previous Meeting Approval

A motion made by Assistant Chief Dennis Cabral and seconded by Deputy Chief Adam Medeiros to approve the Agenda of June 29, 2026.

A motion made by Assistant Chief Dennis Cabral and seconded by Deputy Chief Adam Medeiros to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2026 meeting.

Both motions were unanimously approved by the board 6-0.

Next scheduled meeting is Monday August 31, 2026 @ 7:00 PM. or at the call of the Chief of the Department

Meeting Agenda

Correspondence

No correspondence was received by the department to be read at this meeting.

Deputy & Assistant Chiefs Reports and / or Requests

Deputy Chief of Safety, Training & Administration Stephen Knapman

- ❖ Announced that the HazMat Classes have been completed, and all participants have passed.

Deputy Chief of Operations Adam Medeiros

- ❖ Informed Chief DeMello that the department's burn trailer will need some supplies prior to the next burn.
- ❖ Requested a uniform voucher for a member of the Hydes.
- ❖ Inquired about a food voucher for the July 3rd detail.

Assistant Chief Dennis Cabral

- ❖ No issues, or requests for this meeting.

Assistant Chief Luis Medeiros

- ❖ No issues or requests for this meeting.
- ❖ Chief DeMello stated that the Gator at the Defiance will need to be fueled, and there will be a "misting tent" and grill at the Defiance Station.

Assistant Chief Zach Rivers

- ❖ Announced that Jared Castigliego is an Operator of Marine 1.

Lieutenant Ross Tomkinson Division of EMS

- ❖ No issues or requests to report for this meeting, however, EMS will have food for the July 3rd & 4th details
- ❖ Chief Demello advised that due to the elevated temperatures, all transporting vehicles do a quick turnaround. He also advised that the recording of mileage will only be conducted for hospital transports.

Chief of the Department Michael DeMello

- ❖ Submitted an AFG Grant for the procurement of radios.
- ❖ The department is looking to sign a lease agreement for the purchase of 50 air packs.
- ❖ Looking to address some of the smaller projects for the new fiscal year.

- ❖ Reminded the board to forward to their companies, that when entering a building or using tools, to bring them in and take them out when the task has been completed.
- ❖ The upcoming muster, please schedule a few members of each company to assist with the clean up following the event. Also, going forward, the host company of Firemen's Memorial Sunday, are required to clean up the park post event.

Old Business

July 3rd & 4th

- ❖ Marine 7 will only respond to calls in the Bristol area ONLY.
- ❖ Advised the board to ensure their details are well hydrated due to the extremely high temperatures.
- ❖ EMS radio communications will be on the 800 mhz channel, once the call for service is announced.

August Board Meeting

- ❖ **The August 3rd Board Meeting has been cancelled. The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 31st.**

New Business

- ❖ The Annual Firemen's Muster is slated for Sunday, July 26th. It will begin at 10:00 hours and end around 13:00. Upon completion of the muster the awards and a cook out will be held at department headquarters.
- ❖ The Bristol Community Night Out will be held on August 5th on the Town Common. Fire Department apparatus will be participating in this event.

Company, Department & Town Events for July , August & September

July

3	Fireworks Display
4	4th of July Parade
26	Firemen's Muster

August

2	Ever Ready Station Family Outing
5	Community Night Out
TBD	Engine 4 Family Outing

September

20 Bristol Annual Porch Fest (Rain Date 27)

For the Good of the Department

- ❖ Chief DeMello sends his thanks and appreciation to the men & women of the department for their continued support and good responses. Thanks for the great job performed at the Lincoln Ave. fire recently. EMS as always, your responses are greatly appreciated.

Calls for Service Year to Date

- ❖ There was no report available for this meeting.

Closing & Adjournmentours

Without any further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 19:45 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Mascola

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