

**Bristol Fire Department
Board of Engineers Meeting
June 30, 2025**

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 1900 hours.

Attendance

- ☐ Chief of the Department Michael DeMello
- ☐ Deputy Chief of Admin., Safety & Training Stephen Knapman,
- ☐ Deputy Chief of Operations Dennis Cabral
- ☐ Assistant Chief John Perry,
- ☐ Assistant Chief Luis Medeiros
- ☐ Assistant Chief Adam Medeiros
- ☐ EMS Captain Brad Palmer,
- ☐ Board Clerk Lou Mascola

Agenda & Previous Meeting Approval

A motion made by Assistant Chief L. Medeiros and seconded by Deputy Chief Cabral to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2025 meeting. A motion made by Assistant Chief Adam Medeiros, and seconded by Assistant Chief John Perry to approve the agenda for June 3, 2025. Both motions were unanimously approved by the board.

Next scheduled meeting is *Tuesday Sept. 2 @ 7:00 PM.* or at the call of the Chief of the Department

Meeting Agenda

Correspondence

No correspondence was received to be addressed at this meeting.

Deputy Chief of Safety & Training

- ★ The CPR Class will be held in the fall of 2025.
- ★ When the attendance is taken at a call for service, add the incident report to it as well.

- ★ The Fall Training dates will be determined at a later meeting. They shall consist of Firefighter II, NFPA 1102 Pump Course, 1041, and 1521 training. They will begin in the fall of 2025.

Deputy Chief of Operations Dennis Cabral

- ★ (2) members of the Ever Ready Station with certifications will need turnout gear. At this time the board had discussion on the new PFAS Reduced gear.

Assistant Chief John Perry

- ★ Reported that Truck 6 is still out of service.
- ★ The roof turret on Marine 7 is out of service.
- ★ The generator on Ladder 1 has an issue.

Assistant Chief Luis Medeiros

- ★ Reported that the tank fill on Engine 5 has a leak,

Assistant Chief Adam Medeiros

- ★ Advised Chief DeMello that the burn trailer is requiring maintenance service.
- ★ Reported that the "Duty Day" Program on Engine 1 went well. Chief DeMello requested that they inquire with the duty chief prior to responding to a call that they are not dispatched to.
- ★ Announced that they (Hydes) are still working on the gym room at the Hydes.
- ★ Reported that the July 3- 4th details have been filled.

Captain Brad Palmer from the Division of EMS

- ★ Reported that all four of the Rescue vehicles are back in service. Chief DeMello stated that after the holiday, they will be rotated in for maintenance service.
- ★ Captain Palmer announced that the Division is at 98.5% staffing as of this meeting, with additional candidates inquiring about becoming members.

Old Business

- ★ Chief DeMello reported that the muster overall went very well. The goal for next year's event will be to reduce the time from 10:00 AM and end at 1300 hours.
- ★ Engine 10 has been added to the July 4th Parade.

New Business

- ★ Chief DeMello reported that for the July 3rd & 4th Holiday that all details have been filled.
- ★ For both nights he asked that everyone be vigilant for any protests that may pop up.
- ★ Once again the fireworks will be lit on July 3rd.
- ★ The breakfast meeting will be at 0800 hours at Headquarters, any last minute changes will be reviewed then.
- ★ The Parade will kick off at 1030 hrs.
- ★ The Board Meeting scheduled for August 4th has been cancelled. The next Meeting will be held on September 2, 2025

Chief Michael DeMello Chief of the Department

- ★ Once the holiday has passed, he asked the members of the board to look around your stations and advise if any repairs are requiring attention.
- ★ The Annual Stipends from the town will be distributed shortly.
- ★ The Annual "Porch Fest" will be held on September 14th this year. This event is getting bigger every year, which may require an EMS presence.

Company Meetings for July

Most companies suspend their meetings for July, therefore there is no calendar for July.

Company , Department and Community Events for July & August 2025

August

- 3 *Eveready Station Family Outing***
- 13 *Community Night Out***
- 16 *Bristol Harbor Festival***
- 24 *Engine 4 Family Outing***

Calls for Service 2025 Year to Date

Fires	15
EMS	1697
False Alarms	232
Others	144
Total	2088

For the Good of the Department

Chief Demello sends his thanks to all who support the department with responding, attending training and general support. It shows and is appreciated.

He wishes all a Safe & Happy 4th of July.

Closing & Adjournment

Without any further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 1945 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Mascola

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Clerk for the Board of Fire Engineers

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