

**Bristol Fire Department  
Board of Engineers Meeting  
June 2, 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 1900 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

**Agenda & Previous Meeting Approval**

**A motion made by Deputy Chief Adam Medeiros and seconded by Deputy Chief Stephen Knapman to approve the Agenda of June 2, 2026.**

**A motion made by Deputy Chief Stephen Knapman and seconded by Deputy Chief Adam Medeiros to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2026 meeting.**

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

**Next scheduled meeting is Monday June 29, 2026 @ 7:00 PM. or at the call of the Chief of the Department**

**Meeting Agenda**

**Correspondence**

A letter of thanks was received from a Bristol resident for a recent call for service at their residence.

## **Deputy Chief Stephen Knapman of Training, Administration, and Safety**

- **The NFPA 1041 Course will conclude at the end of this month.**
- **Haz Mat Operations Course will conclude the week of June 7th.**
- **Bristol Lofts Walk Throughs will be held on Wednesday & Thursday June 17th & 18th at 1800 hours.**
- **A CPR Class will be held on Saturday June 6th at 0900 hours.**
- **An Introduction to A Rescue Task Force will be held on Saturday June 20th, in the Training Room at 0900, and conclude at 1500 hours. This is encouraged for all members planning on working department details. Lunch will be provided.**

## **Deputy Chief of Operations Adam Medeiros**

- Reported that the July 4th details are progressing, and will submit them shortly.
- Inquired about the radio at the Police Station not working properly.

## **Assistant Chief Luis Medeiros**

- Reported that one of the mini splits in the Defiance meeting room is not working.
- Brush 1 is out of service at the DPW for repairs.
- The July 3rd & 4th details are progressing.
- The Defiance Annual Banquet is Saturday June 6th.

## **Assistant Chief Zach Rivers**

- Reminded the board that Dreadfest is this coming Sunday, June 7th.
- **There will be Marine 7 Training on Wednesday June 10th. The time will be announced.**
- Reported an issue with a valve on Marine 7.

## **Chief of the department Michael DeMello**

- Reminded the board that the Mt. Hope High School Graduation is being held at RWU this Friday, June 6th.
- Spoke Briefly with discussion on the Bristol Lofts Construction. Some topics were the Interior Floors, Window Openings, a wet and/or dry stretch, and the standpipe system.
- Discussed the IAP with the board.

## Old Business

- The concert series will begin on June 21st, and conclude on July 2nd. The department will supply a gator and (2) EMT's for each concert.

## New Business

- With World Cup Soccer being played in Foxboro, the town may see increased attendance with soccer patrons at the 4th of July events.
- Regarding the **Concert Series at Independence Park**, the following changes have been made at the venue: Thames Street traffic will be only traveling northbound, handicap parking will be at the boat ramp area, The Food Trucks will be located on Thames Street (west side).
- Firemen's Memorial Sunday is June 14th. There will be mass prior to the parade, and a speaking ceremony at Firefighter's Memorial Park at the conclusion of the parade.
- Flag Day Ceremonies are also on the 14th, on the Town Common, at 1700 hours. It will be moved to Mt. Carmel Auditorium in the event of inclement weather.
- As mentioned earlier the Concert Series will run from June 21st through July 2nd.
- There will be a Half Marathon held on June 27th. The department will supply (8) members on detail for this event.
- The 4th of July Carnival will be on the Town Common from June 19th through July 4th.
- The Annual Fireworks display will be held on July 3rd. There were no changes to this event.
- The 4th of July Parade will step off at the Corner of Chestnut St, & Hope St. at 1030 AM.
- The Firemen's Muster is scheduled for July 26th.
- Bristol's Annual Community Night Out is scheduled for August 5th.
- Bristol once again has scheduled a "Last Night" event on Labor Day Weekend. The Philharmonic Band will perform followed by a fireworks display.

## Town, Department & Company Events for June / July / August

- June 6                      Defiance Annual Banquet
- June 7                      Dreadnaught DreadFest
- June 14                     Firemen's Memorial Sunday
- June 14                     Flag Day
- June 21 - July 2         Concert Series

- July 3                      Fireworks Display
- July 4                      Civic, Military & Firemen's Parade
- July 26                     Firemen's Muster & Field Day
  
- August 5                  Community Night Out

**For the Good of the Department**

**Chief DeMello sends his gratitude to the men & women of the department for their continued support, and responding to all calls for service.**

**Calls for Service Year to Date**

<b>Fire</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Medical / EMS</b>	<b>1338</b>
<b>Public Service</b>	<b>162</b>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>180</b>

**Total Calls for Service 1697**

**Closing & Adjournment**

Without any further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 1952 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

***Lou Mascola***

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