

**Bristol Fire Department
Board of Engineers Meeting
September 29, 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

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TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND

Agenda & Previous Meeting Approval

A motion made by Assistant Chief J. Perry and seconded by Assistant Chief A. Medeiros to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2025 meeting. A motion made by Assistant Chief Adam Medeiros, and seconded by Assistant Chief John Perry to approve the agenda for September 2, 2025. Both motions were unanimously approved by the board.

Next scheduled meeting is Monday November 3, 2025 @ 7:00 PM. or at the call of the Chief of the Department

Meeting Agenda

Correspondence

- An invitation from the Swansea Fire Department to participate in their Public Safety Day on Sunday, October 5, 2025. The parade will form at Station No. 1 (Main St). at 12:30, with festivities at Station 2 from 1300-1500 hours. Everyone is invited to attend / participate.

Deputy Chief of Administration Safety & Training Stephen Knapman

- The 1002 Course will be concluding the week of October 5th.
- The Firefighter II Class will begin on October 14th.
- A department tour of the Sewer Plant on October 25th @ 0900 hours.

- The department will conduct a tour of the Bristol Lofts Apartment Complex on Thames Street on October 8th & 15th at 1800 hours. Anyone can attend either of these two dates.

Assistant Chief John Perry

- Reported that there are leaks in the gutters at the Dreadnaught Station.
- Requested a pager for a member of his station.
- Reported an issue with the compressor at the Dreadnaught station.

Assistant Chief Luis Medeiros

- No issues or requests for this meeting.
- Chief DeMello stated that the concrete should be poured this week.

Assistant Chief Adam Medeiros

- No issues, or requests for this meeting.

Chief of the Department Michael DeMello

- The New England Association of Fire Chiefs Annual Conference will be held at Mohegan Sun October 29-31. If anyone would like to attend, passes are available.
- Reported that the State will be test patching with the 800 frequency radios.

Old Business

- Reported progress with the Department's SOG review.
- Chief DeMello discussed with the board the requirements to become a line officer. Some requirements are a department member for at least (3) years, certified Firefighter I & II. The board would like this to take affect in January 2027.

New Business

- The Rhode Island Association of Fire Chief's Meeting on Thursday October 23rd, in Coventry RI.
- The New England Association of Fire Chief's Conference will be held on October 29-31, if anyone would like to attend.

Company Meeting Calendar for October 2025

- 1- Company Meetings**
- 7- Engine 4 Meeting**
- 9- Fire Police Meeting**
- 14- EMS Meeting**
- 22- Ladies Auxiliary Meeting**
- 23- Firemen's Memorial Committee Meeting**

Company & Departments Going Forward in October - November 2025

October 19- Ever Ready Clamboil
26- Defiance Clam Boil

November 1- Dreadnaught Surf & Turf
7- Hydraulion Turkey Roll

For The Good of the Department

To all members of the department : Thank you for your continued support. EMS keep up the outstanding work responding to calls for service.

Calls For Service Year to Date

33-	Building Fires
2591-	EMS Calls
436-	False Alarms
213-	<u>Other Calls for Service</u>
3273	Total Calls for Service

Adjournment

Without any further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 1935 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lou Mascola

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Clerk, for the BOard of Fire Engineers

Bristol Fire Department

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