# Bristol Fire Department Board of Engineers Meeting May 1, 2023

Call to order, Quorum Established, Attendance, Minutes & Agenda Approval, Next Regular Business Meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chief Michael DeMello at 7:00 PM, a quorum was established. In attendance were Deputy Chief of Safety Training and Administration Jim Vieira, Deputy Chief of Operations John P. Perry, Assistant Chief Nelson Luis, Assistant Chief Dennis Cabral, Assistant Chief Adam Medeiros, EMS Captain Sam Turner, Board Clerk Lou Mascola recorded the minutes.

A motion and second to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2023 meeting, and the meeting agenda for this meeting, April 3, 2023 were both unanimously approved by the board.

Next scheduled meeting is Monday June 5, 2023, @ 7:00 PM

Correspondence, Training & Safety Reports, Apparatus Reports, Station Requests and Issues, Board Reports, Chief DeMello's Report, Old Business, New Business, For the Good of the Department, Calendar Updates, and Closing / Adjournment.

# Meeting Agenda Correspondence

- ★ The Veteran's Council sent the department the invitation to participate in the Annual Memorial Day Parade and Exercises. Meet at The North Burial Ground at 9:00 AM.
- ★ Snugpups.net is looking for any old turnout gear the department may have.
- ★ A notification of a new member was received from the Fire Police. This was held over to New Business.

## **Deputy Chief of Operations John Perry**

- ★ Requested a grease tube for General Maintenance.
- ★ A new driver for Ladder 1 is ready for his / her department test.
- \* Reported that the generator on Ladder 1 is "pulsating".
- ★ Reminded the board that the Dreads Annual Dreadfest will be held at Vigilant Brewing on June 3rd from 3:00 8:00 PM.

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#### Assistant Chief Nelson Luis from the Defiance Station

- ★ Requested batteries for the SCBA's.
- ★ Announced that the Defiance will be holding their Annual Fall Clam Boil on October 29th.

## **Assistant Chief Dennis Cabral from the Ever Ready Station**

- ★ Announced the Ever Ready's Annual Surf & Turf Fundraiser will be held on MAy 20th.
- ★ Requested some reflective tape for the exterior stairs at the Ever Ready Station.
- ★ Inquired about the Muster / Water Battle. It will be held in the rear field at the Guiteras School on June 25th. There was additional discussion under Chief DeMello's prerogative.

## **Assistant Chief Adam Medewiros from the Hydraulion Station**

- \* Reported an issue with a tire on Engine 1.
- ★ Requested Lieutenants badges and pins for the two new Lieutenants.
- ★ Reported an issue with the gas meter and requested batteries for Engine 4.

## Deputy Chief of Safety, Training & Administration Jim Vieira

- ★ Reported that the Firefighter I Class has been completed, with a 100% pass rate. The Haz Mat portion will begin in July.
- ★ The Training Committee will meet on May 11th at 7:00 PM.
- ★ EVOC Train the Trainer will be conducted on MAy 20th & 21st.
- ★ The 1021 Class will begin in October 2023.
- ★ The MArine Task Force Spring Drill on May 22nd at 8:00 AM.
- $\bigstar$  The next Firefighter II Class will begin in August.
- ★ There will be a Rescue TAsk Force Training held on May 9th. Please send in the names of those wishing to attend.

# **Captain Sam Turner from the Division of EMS**

- \* Reported an issue with the stretcher base on Rescue 1.
- \* Requested station access fobs for new members.

## **Chief of the Department Michael DeMello**

- ★ There's a possibility that the new Rescue 4 may be in in the month of August.
- ★ Requested a "good turn out" for this year's Firemen's Memorial Sunday activities. There will be a department photo taken after mass on the Town Common.
- ★ The department participates in the Annual Flag Day activities on June 14th. All department members are welcomed to participate.
- ★ The July 4th Celebration Meetings between the departments are starting up. Chief DeMello will keep the department posted on any updates.
- ★ The Coast Guard will be conducting a drill on June 14th & 15th.
- ★ Regarding the Muster / water battle scheduled for June 25th, Chief DeMello would like the names of those who will be attending the meeting.

#### **Old Business**

- ★ The department 's are still being reviewed.
- ★ The templates for the 4th of July details will be distributed shortly.
- ★ There will be a practice for those participating in the Bristol Fire and Police softball game on May 18th on the Town Common. Practice is scheduled for the week of May 2nd. The game will be played at the Town Beach Facilities on May 18th

#### **New Business**

- ★ The name of Bob Martin was selected by Bristol Fire Police. A motion and second followed by a unanimous vote to approve the selection followed.
- ★ Chief DeMello reminded everyone that May 6th is Remembrance Day at the State Fire Academy in Exeter RI. He is hoping for an excellent turnout by the department.
- ★ Firemen's Sunday is June 11th. First there will be the mass, followed by a department photo, then the parade & exercises at the Park.

## For the Good of the Department

- ★ For the year to date, there have 1,300 plus calls for service averaging 330 calls per month.
- ★ Chief DeMello thanks all who have been responding to those calls, and to keep up the outstanding work. It is very appreciated.

## Meeting and Event Calendar for May 2023

May 2023
Board Meeting
3 - Company Meetings
- Engine 4 Meeting
- EMS Meeting
.1 - Fire Police Meeting
.7 - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
.8 - Firemen's Memorial Comm. Meeting
.8 - Fire / Police Softball Game
0 - Ever Ready Surf & Turf

## 10 - Department & Company Events Going Forward

**June 3 - Dreadnaught Dreadfest** 

Oct. 22 - Ever Ready Clam Boil

Oct. 29 - Defiance Clam Boil

Nov. 3 - Hydes - Turkey Roll

Nov. 11 - Dreads Surf & Turf

Nov. 11 - Ever Ready Annual Banquet

## **Meeting Closing & Adjournment**

Without any further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

# Lou Mascola

Lou Mascola Clerk, for the Board of Engineers Bristol Fire Department Bristol, Rhode Island 02809