

**Bristol Fire Department
Board of Engineers Meeting
February 27, 2023**

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND
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**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 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 January 30, 2023 meeting, and the meeting agenda for this meeting, February 27, 2023 were both unanimously approved by the board.

Next scheduled meeting is Monday April 3, 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.

Meeting Agenda

Correspondence

- Ever Ready Chaplin Robert Holt spoke to the board regarding the services for former Chief David Sylvaria. The information received to this point is pending the family meeting with the staff of the Sansone Funeral Home. What has been determined is the services will be held on Saturday March 4, 2023 at the Sansone Funeral Home on Wood St. The services will be from 12:00 - 4:00 PM. The Fire Department Honor Guard will commence at noon, (2) dept. Members for 10-15 minutes per stance. The Fire Department Axes will arrive at 2:00 PM, followed by the reading of the Worcester Memorial Prayer, the Last Alarm, and the department walk through. The family has requested that the apparatus park on Union St, and not in front of the funeral home, and no bagpipes be played. After the walk through the department will congregate at the Dreadnaught



Station for a coalition. The department requests that members from all of the stations assist in the set up and cleaning.

Deputy Chief of Operations John Perry of the Dreadnaught Station

- Submitted the dates for the Dreadnaught fund raisers to the clerk for the Event Calendar. June 3rd - Dreadfest, and November 11th - Surf & Turf.
- Inquired about the Marine Classes starting in the spring. Chief DeMello will speak with Greg Marsilli on scheduling.
- Inquired about obtaining dress uniforms. Chief DeMello asked that the names be submitted.
- The Ice Pick has been ordered.
- The elevator tool for Truck 6 has arrived.

Assistant Chief Nelson Luis of the Defiance Station

- SCBA's 3-3 & 3-5 from Engine 3 need replacement batteries.
- No issues to report from Engine 5 for this meeting.
- The first driver of Brush 1 is adding additional shelving, a small ladder to get to the top, amongst other additions.
- Asked about reimbursements for the RI Ems Expo.
- Inquired if there will be an emergency light class? Deputy Chief of Safety & Training Vieira will set up a date.

Assistant Chief Dennis Cabral of the Ever Ready Station

- Inquired about the seat belts for Engine 2.
- Asked if SCBA 2-2 has been brought to headquarters? Chief Vieira stated that it hadn't.
- Requested a Carabiner Clip be obtained for the Life Safety Pack on Engine 2.
- Reported that the rear wall in the storage room at the Ever Ready Station will require attention soon.
- Inquired about obtaining batteries for members of Fire Police.

Assistant Chief Adam Medeiros of the Hydraulion Station

- Requested a member of the board take a member of the Hydes out for his driving test on Engine 1.
- An SCBA for Engine 1 is in need of repair.

Captain Sam Turner of the Division of EMS

- Inquired about obtaining Class A uniform items for members of his division. Chief DeMello asked that he submit the names of those needing them.
- Reported that all of the rescue vehicles are in service with no issues to report.
- Announced that the new gear dryer has been completed and is working well.

Deputy Chief James Vieira of Safety and Training

- The present Firefighter I Class is progressing well, and is about half-way through. He reported that the testing so far has been good.
- The EVOC Train the Training class scheduled for May 13th & 14th has openings. The minimum number of participants is 15.
- The NFPA 1002 Aerial Course is scheduled for April 17th,. However, as of this meeting there are no applicants signed to take the course.

Chief Michael DeMello Chief of the Department

- Reported that the first Officer's Tactical Training went well. The plan is to schedule one prior to the board meetings, and if anyone would like to teach a class they are welcomed to do so.

Old Business

- Continue to review the department SOG's. Report back to the office and board of any changes that need to be made, any omissions that need to be added, any errors that need to be corrected. Some of the guidelines may be out of date and need to be updated.

New Business

- The Awards & Recognition Night is scheduled for March 30th at 7:00 PM.
- Start pulling your detail lists together for the July 4th Celebration.

For the Good of the Department

- Chief DeMello is pleased with the continued support from trainings and calls for service. So far for 2023 the department has responded to approximately 650 + calls. Keep up the outstanding work.

Event Calendar Updates for March 2023

March 2023
27 - Feb. - Board Meeting
1 - Company Meetings
7 - Engine 4 Meeting
9 - Fire Police Meeting
14 - EMS Meeting
15 - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
16 - Firemen's Memorial Comm. Meeting
11 - Engine 4 - Newport St. Patrick's Parade
30 - Awards & Recognition Night

Closing & Adjournment

Without any further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Mascola

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