

BOLTON FIRE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024

BOLTON FIRE HOUSE – 7:00 P.M. and Via Zoom

Fire Commission Chairman John Morianos convened the Bolton Fire Commission meeting at 7:02 P.M. at the Bolton Fire House.

Commission members present was Elizabeth Malone. Also present was Chief Bruce Dixon and Assistant Fire Chief Michael Eremita.

Also present via zoom was John Morianos, Chris Moquin and Danny Moquin.

Robert Langton was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion to approve the February 26, 2024 meeting minutes (EM/JM) VU.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – None

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF –

- The Bolton Volunteer Fire Department (BVFD) responded to 35 emergency calls since the last meeting which included motor vehicle accidents on Route 6 and on Bolton Center Road, 63 Lynwood Drive, a boating accident in Vernon, 7 Meadow Rd which included a gunshot victim and many EMS calls.
- Budget: Discussion with the Board of Selectmen (BOS) on February 21, 2024 concerning Fire Commission budget submitted. BOS cut Training line item by \$4,000, Payroll line item by \$2,000 and a Lieutenant position. They increased the Proficiency Fund line item, however it will remain in the Proficiency Fund line item, not the Payroll items, as requested.
- The town's new 2023 Pierce fire apparatus, ET134, final cost came out to \$18,400 over budget after the total cost was estimated by the Chief back in 2015 during the Capital Project submissions. The BOS asked that the BVFD contribute \$5,000.00 from their budget to cover this expense.
- The town's 1993 E-One fire truck, ET334, has been retired and delivered to the Eastern CT Fire School in Willimantic after a decision made by the BOS.
- The new training building prop is nearing completion, with many thanks to the Bolton Greater Together Community Fund and the engineering and carpentry skills by DC Pereira and FF Cycenas.
- The current budget, 2023-2024, is at 23 % spent.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT – None

DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT - None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – Chief Dixon invited the Fire Commission member to the Annual Dinner on May 5, 2024 at Villa Louisa in Bolton.

John Morianos thanked everyone for the fruit basket and well wishes for his surgery. He greatly appreciated it.

Next meeting scheduled for April 22, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn at 7:17 pm (EM/CM) VU

Respectfully submitted,

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Board Clerk