Colchester Hayward Fire Department

TO BE APPROVED AT NEXT MEETING

Monday September 11, 2023 1800 hours

52 Old Hartford RD Colchester CT 06415

**Call to Order:** 1800 hours

Members Present: Chief Hoffmann, AC Shoemaker, Acting DC Bernier, Capt. Papp, Capt. Barnes, Capt. Guidice, , Lt. Bellantone, T. Joseph, LT Kundahl, LT Standish, M. Previti, , Capt Barnes, B. Currie, D Marvin,

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moment of Silence for Sept 11, 2001**

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Motion made by DC Bernier to accept the minutes, the motion was seconded by AC Shoemaker. The motion passed unanimously.

**Additions to the agenda:** None

**Citizens Comments:**

1. None

**Budget update:** Chief reviewed the current status of the budget.

**Career Staff/Volunteer/Personnel:** The new FT FF Eoin Kavanaugh is in training and progressing well. Chief Hoffmann stated that the 3 Career Officer positions are now in place. AC Morris stepped down from his officer role, due to family commitments not allowing the time to fulfill his position with the FD, FM Shoemaker will be assuming the role of AC. Brad Bernier will be acting DC until DC Lee returns.

**Training:** The test burn went well with the new burn box. East Hampton will be at Schuster on Sunday for a burn. There will be a CFE burn on October 26, and all of the career staff is invited to attend. Capt Papp stated that it was nice to see career staff stepping up.

**Safety:** Mystic Air Quality came and took air samples upstairs and waiting for the results. Stula will be coming out to inspect our vent pipes to try to find where the foul odor comes from

**EMS**: Active aggressor bags are in place on the rear compartment. Please do not place things on top of them. There will be a new traffic pattern at Backus so please beware that there will be two way traffic on the driveway going in.

**Captain:**

**Capt. Papp-** Met with Acting DC to assure AC Morris’s duties were kept up with.

**Capt. Barnes:** Nothing to report.

**Capt. Giudice:** inquired about the incentive being adjusted now that there is 25/7 coverage so there is consistency.

**Capt Dombroski-** please remember to fill out discrepancies and be thorough when doing so

**Lieutenants:**

**Lt. Kundahl:** Slate pages is working however it is not good with reports, we are working on it.

**Lt. Standish:** Please keep up with inventory on slate pages. If you would like patient updates from the hospital check the box, Request for review.

**Chiefs:**

**AC Shoemaker:** Career Staff Officers are being put into ESO Please fill out narrative if you are at Station 2.

**DC Bernier:** The Tower truck is coming along nicely and E1 and E3 have been started, E2 is due to start Mid October. Met with the town in regards to ordering 3rd ambulance to be in place when A5 goes out to be refurbished. The plan is to have 3 ambulances in place and running within 4 years. Met with a factory rep for A6 replacement. New Spreaders and cutters are in place. Knox boxes are now in place and you will be issued a 4 digit code, see AC Shoemaker. Working on a policies/Rookie book, thank you Tim J for all of the help. We are working on getting the trucks relettered to depict the new name.

**Chief Hoffmann:** Policy updates are still being worked on slowly, The Active Aggressor Policy will be trained on during the winter. Stoks was tested and it is Stoks 1 to talk to PD. Police can talk to the 4 schools on our channels, they have 2 radios that they will grab if going to school. School security cant talk to the Cops they can only talk to us on red or blue. Fire Police Policy was reviewed with FP. As of 1/1/2024 you must use the Department doctor for physicals. Waiting on Finance for the vehicle exhaust to be ordered. Facilities manager will be handling building issues. HQ parking lot being paved. Security cameras are up and running at HQ. Computers at HQ are updated, waiting on Novus to complete Station 2. Chiefs Office as well as admin are upstairs, thank you to the Company for funding. Upgrades for 800 mhz are still in a waiting pattern. North Stonington Fire is interested in purchasing the ladder truck, Nutmeg is interested in E3. Great Job Cadets and B. Fiala for the help they rendered on 91. We had a CPR save last week, great job by all involved.

**Fire Marshal-** did not leave a report for the Chief.

**President Knapp:** Not present

**Adjourment:** A motion was made by DC Bernier to adjourn, seconded by AC Shoemaker. Motion passed at 1855.

Respectfully submitted;

Ruby York

Assistant to The Fire Chief