

**NORTH WALPOLE VILLAGE DISTRICT**  
Minutes of the Board of Commissioners  
Patrick Kiniry Melissa Colburn Celeste Aumand  
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Date August 17, 2021

**Commissioners: Patrick Kiniry, Melissa Colburn, Celeste Aumand**

**Attendees: Bill Crawford, Fire;  
Cheryl Mayberry, Selectboard Chair; Alice Maurer, resident**

**Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Com Kiniry**

**Chief Crawford requested that amendments /corrections be appended to August 10, 2021 minutes. Corrections are attached..**

**Minutes of August 10, 2021 approved, as amended, by Motion by, Com Colburn seconded by Com Kiniry with two in favor. Com Aumand did not respond to the motion.**

**FIRE:**

**Com Aumand questioned references to Thermal cameras in trucks. Chief noted that eventually every truck would have a thermal camera under each occupied seat. The Department currently has six.**

**Chief had invoices totaling \$ 880.75, which were approved by motion Com Aumand, seconded by Com Kiniry, with three in favor.**

**Chief presented Personnel Form for new Member, Pierson Dey.**

**Chief noted that Tristian Crawford and randy Rumrill are taking Fire One Class.**

**Due to recent concerns expressed by the Commissioners, Chief Crawford and Officers have reviewed the issues and presented Recommended remedies. (see attached)**

**Due to the closing of Route 12 north, Chief has review options for obtaining fuel for trucks. To get to the State Pumps in Charlestown trucks would have to travel up I-91 which would tie of the truck for over an hour.**

**Chief is working with Mike Rau, Walpole Road Agent and Jiffy Mart (Citgo) to obtain cards to access their pumps. Motion by Com Colburn, seconded by Com Aumand to proceed with this option.**

**Dress code in responding to all Fire and/or Rescue calls. A motion by Com Aumand, seconded by Com Kiniry to accept Option 4, which addresses any combination of the other three options with all three in favor. This is assure that any member responding will be in Departmental approved attire.**

**Late night emergency calls: Chief has set up a schedule for coverage between 10:00 pm and 5:00 am. Members volunteered to fill those time schedules. A copy of on duty members will be given to the Commissioners every month.**

**Day calls for the NW Department: Chief will respond to EVERY call. (Note: due to Rt 12 closure it may take some time for him to report. He works in Charlestown) The attached lists the procedure to be followed.**

Certified EMR members were discussed. Chief noted that after taking the EMR class, the State allows up to a year to take the State Test. He feels that is too long a wait. Com Aumand stated that the Chief should set a shorter time limit. After completion of the Class and the Test, the Village reimburses member as part of training program. Certified member must be on all calls or avail for ambulance assistance with certified personnel.

**WATER:**

Com Kiniry did pre-bid walk through of WTB on August 10 with three interested parties. He will do another on August 18, with Cheryl Mayberry in attendance.

1,4-Dioxane: received third quarter test results and our readings are slightly over the State's standard. We will again receive a violation notice.

Com Kiniry noted that DES denied the request for temporary discharge permit.. They suggested that the discharged water be transported to a hazardous site or it be filtered through a carbon filtration system.

Original plan was to redevelop Well 507, Com Kiniry is now requesting that both 507 & 508 be done at the same time. He is working with Cushing & Sons to obtain an estimate of the cost.

Still approximately 50 outstanding water bill. Penalty notices will be mailed shortly.

**MISC:**

August 19, 2021 Commissioners will meet with the NW ZBA and ZAO to discuss upgrading the Zoning Ordinances.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Com Aumand at 9:04 pm, seconded by Com Kiniry, with all three in favor.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:04 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
William H. Moses

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Patrick Kiniry, Chair

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Melissa Colburn

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Celeste Aumand.

**Note: These are UNAPPROVED minutes. Any Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the next Commissioner's Meeting.**

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CORRECTIONS TO MINUTES NOTES RECORDED TUESDAY AUG 10, 2021  
PREPARED AND SUBMITTED BY CHIEF WILLIAM L. CRAWFORD

#3 ACTUAL ANSWER: "ULTIMATELY WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE 1 PER SEAT IN EVERY TRUCK. THIS INVOICE WAS FOR 1 OF 2 CAMERAS I ORDERED. I HAD ORDERED 2, AND THE REP ONLY ORDERED 1. THE OTHER ONE SHOULD BE COMING IN SOON". I THEN STATED THAT "IF I HAVE THE BUDGET LATER IN THE YEAR, I MAY ORDER ANOTHER 1 OR 2". I ALSO STATED THAT "WE CURRENTLY HAVE 5, AND THE OTHER ONE COMING IN WILL MAKE 6".

#5 PART ABOUT PAGE 5: I SAID AS WE REVIEWED THE S.O.G., THAT "THE COPY I HAVE ON ME WAS THE ONE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES WERE ON FROM LAST YEAR. I DON'T HAVE WITH ME THE UPDATED COPY". I NEVER SAID THE DISTANCE WAS NEVER CHANGED. THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE THE SAME EXACT COPY WE HAVE. WHAT I SAID ABOUT BEING OVERLOOKED, WAS THAT "I DIDN'T KNOW HOW I OVERLOOKED THAT I HAD THE OLD COPY OF THE SOG'S ON ME, AND THATS WHY MINE SHOWS THE OLD MILEAGE".

#14 "MIKE PECOR IS STILL DOING DRIVER TRAINING ON E2" I STATED THAT "THE DRIVERS CAN NOT DRIVE E1 UNTIL THEY ARE COMFORTABLE DRIVING E2, BECAUSE E1 IS ALOT MORE TRUCK TO HANDLE"

#16 THE QUESTION I GOT WAS WHO IS ON THE RESCUE? NOT EMT TRAINED. I NEVER CLAIMED TO BE AN EMT. WE ARE CERTIFIED EMR MEDICAL PROVIDERS. ALSO NOT JANICE AND MELISSA, IT IS "JASON AND MELISSA CANT AFFORD THE TESTING FEE., AND I HAVE OFFERED TO PAY FOR THEM TO TEST OUT OF MY POCKET, AND GET REIMBURSED FROM THE VILLAGE." I ALSO STATED "THE MEDICAL STUDENTS ARE COMPLETED WITH THE CLASS, THEY ONLY HAVE TO TEST OUT".

#17 I STATED "ONLY MEDICAL CERTIFIED PERSONNEL CAN GIVE NARCAN, BUT THE MEDICAL PERSONNEL MUST HAVE THE NARCAN MODULE, WHICH IS NOT TAUGHT AS A PART OF MEDICAL CLASS, IT IS A SEPERATE CLASS, AND EMR'S HAD TO HAVE APPROVAL FROM THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR TO GIVE NARCAN, WHICH WE DO". AT NO TIME HAVE I CLAIMED THAT MYSELF OR JANICE ARE EMT'S. ALSO ABOUT JANICE DRIVING, I STATED THAT "SHE IS NOT SIGNED OFF ON THE ENGINE, BUT SHE WAS ON THE RESCUE". I STATED "SHE NEEDS TO BE SIGNED OFF ON E2 BEFORE SHE CAN DRIVE E1". I ALSO STATED THAT "SHE IS CLEARED TO DRIVE THE BRUSH TRUCK IF NO DRIVERS ARE THERE FOR THE ENGINE TO MEDICAL CALLS".

**NWFD ISSUES / RECOMMENDED REMEDIES  
PREPARED BY CHIEF WILLIAM L. CRAWFORD**

**FUEL - DISTANCE AND APPARATUS OUT OF SERVICE OR AVAILABLE DELAYED WHILE FUELING**

**REMEDY -**

**OPTION 1: OPEN ACCOUNT AT WALPOLE HIGHWAY GARAGE. SPOKE TO MIKE RAU, HE WILL BE LOOKING INTO GETTING US ACCESS TO THEIR PUMPS. EACH APPARATUS WILL HAVE A CARD AND CODE FOR FUELING. AN INVOICE WILL COME IN FROM THE TOWN MONTHLY. WE WOULD HAVE FULL ACCESS ANYTIME, UNLESS THE GATE IS LOCKED. MIKE INFORMED ME THE GATE DOES NOT GET LOCKED ANYMORE, JUST CLOSED, AND SAID THEY JUST ASK THAT WE CLOSE THE GATE BEHIND US IF IT WAS CLOSED ON ARRIVAL. ACCORDING TO MIKE RAU, THE TOWN HIGHWAY PREBUYS THE FUEL 2 TIMES PER YEAR, SO WE GET THE FUEL AT THE COST THEY PAID AT DELIVERY.**

**OPTION 2: OPEN A FLEET CARD ACCOUNT AT WALPOLE JIFFY MART. THESE CARDS ARE ACCEPTED AT OVER 300,000 LOCATIONS NATIONALLY, AND DISCOUNTS ARE PROVIDED AS WE SPEND MORE. A CARD AND CODE WOULD BE ISSUED TO EACH APPARATUS, AND WE SHOULD HAVE 24 HOUR ACCESS TO PUMPS. NO ANNUAL FEE, MONTHLY FEE, OR SET UP CHARGE.**

**CHIEF HOUGHTON SAYS THEY HAVE BOTH ACCOUNTS FOR THEIR FLEET, AND RECOMMEND US TO HAVE BOTH AS WELL TO ENSURE WE HAVE ACCESS TO FUEL AT ALL TIMES. THIS WILL SAVE US ALOT OF TIME, WEAR AND TEAR, AND MILEAGE ON OUR APPARATUS. IT WILL ALSO PREVENT ALOT OF DELAYED OR UNAVAILABLE TIME FOR THE TRUCKS FUELING.**

**OPTION 3: MOVE FORWARD WITH THE ACCOUNT AT COTA & COTA, AND PAY THE FUEL TAXES. THIS OPTION IS ULTIMATELY MORE COSTLY WITH THE FUEL TAXES. AND TAKES OUR TAX DOLLARS TO ANOTHER STATE.**

**PERSONNEL REPRESENTING THE FD AT CALLS: COMPLAINT THAT PERSONNEL ARE NOT CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AT CALLS, PARTICULARLY MEDICAL CALLS, AND OR DRESSED PROFESSIONALLY.**

**REMEDY:**

**OPTION 1 - ALL PERSONNEL RESPONDING TO MEDICAL CALLS SCENES WOULD BE REQUIRED TO HAVE IN THEIR VEHICLE OR LOCKER IF THEY ARE NOT ALREADY WEARING, A NORTH WALPOLE TSHIRT, AND OR CHANGE OF CLOTHES, AND PROPER FOOT WEAR PER THE DRESS CODE OF THE DEPT. SOG'S.**

**OPTION 2: ALL PERSONNEL RESPONDING TO MEDICAL CALLS SCENES WOULD BE REQUIRED TO WEAR THEIR REFLECTIVE VEST ISSUED BY THE DEPT FOR MEDICAL CALLS. PROPER ATTIRE ACCORDING TO THE SOG'S WILL STILL BE REQUIRED. WE ALREADY HAVE REFLECTIVE VEST THAT ARE ISSUED TO EVERY MEMBER. THIS IS THE MOST FAVORABLE AND EFFICIENT OPTION.**

**OPTION 3: ALL PERSONNEL RESPONDING TO MEDICAL CALLS SCENES WOULD BE REQUIRED TO WEAR A LIGHT WEIGHT COVERALL OR JUMPSUIT, OR OTHER APPROVED RESCUE DUTY CLOTHING, THAT IS QUICK TO PUT ON, PROVIDED BY THE DEPT THAT IDENTIFIES THEM AS A MEMBER FOR ALL MEDICAL CALLS. THESE WILL BE KEPT WITH THE TRUCK, OR IN PERSONAL VEHICLES FOR THOSE THAT RESPOND DIRECT. I AM CURRENTLY LOOKING INTO PRICING ON COVERALLS, JUMPSUITS, AND EMS DUTY PANTS. THE DUTY PANTS WOULD BE WORN WITH A FD TSHIRT AND OR REFLECTIVE VEST. THIS OPTION IS LESS FAVORABLE, DUE TO HIGH HEAT DAYS AND PERSONNEL HEALTH.**

**OPTION 4: ANY COMBINATION OF THE ABOVE LISTED OPTIONS, AS LONG AS THEY FOLLOW DRESS CODE AND ARE IDENTIFIED WITH THE DEPT.**

**ENSURING A RESPONSE FOR NIGHT HOURS: TRUCKS AND OR PERSONNEL NOT RESPONDING TO LATE NIGHT CALLS**

**REMEDY:**



DUTY CREWS HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED BY WAY OF VOLUNTEER SCHEDULING. ALL MEMBERS HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PROVIDE DUTY CREW ASSISTANCE. A SCHEDULE HAS BEEN FILLED FOR THE REMAINDER OF AUGUST. EACH MONTH THIS SCHEDULE WILL BE FILLED IN BY THE MEMBERS AVAILABILITY. WE HAVE MADE SURE AN OFFICER AND AT LEAST 1 MEDICAL IS AVAILABLE EVERY NIGHT OF THE WEEK TO HANDLE MEDICAL CALLS. DUTY CREW HOURS ARE NOT PAID UNLESS A CALL OCCURS. WE FEEL THIS WILL ENSURE ALL CALLS ARE ANSWERED AND THAT MEDICAL CARE IS AVAILABLE TO OUR RESIDENTS. DUTY CREWS HOURS ARE FROM 2200 (10PM) TO 0500. WE HAVE ALSO OPENED IT UP TO "SLEEPERS". SLEEPERS ARE PERSONNEL ON DUTY CREW THAT HAVE A CHOICE TO STAY AN OVERNIGHT AT THE STATION, AND HAVE PROVIDED SLEEPING ITEMS TO MAKE RESPONDING EASIER AND FASTER. SLEEPERS ARE NOT REQUIRED, BUT ONLY OFFERED FOR THOSE THAT HAVE TO TRAVEL. DUTY CREWS HAVE BEGAN ROTATIONS AS OF SUNDAY 15AUG21.

ENSURING A RESPONSE FOR DAY CALLS: TRUCKS NOT RESPONDING OR HAVING TO DELAY RESPONSE TO WAIT FOR AN AMBULANCE.

REMEDY:

CHIEF CRAWFORD WILL LEAVE WORK FOR ANY AND ALL DAYTIME CALLS TO ENSURE MEDICAL IS ENROUTE. WE WILL STILL HAVE THE ISSUE WITH TRAVEL TIME, HOWEVER IF THE INCIDENT MEETS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT OUR PERSONNEL CAN MANAGE, AS LONG AS THE CREW IS IN CONTACT WITH THE CHIEF, THE TRUCK MAY GET STARTED ON THE ROAD A LITTLE SOONER. ALSO IF WE KNOW OUR AMBULANCE IS DELAYED BY A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME, CREWS WAITING WITH THE TRUCK CAN REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM ANOTHER AGENCY.

WE ARE ALSO CONTINUOUSLY TRYING TO PUSH OUR MEMBERS TO GET THEIR MEDICAL CERTIFICATIONS DONE, AND NEW MEMBERS TO TAKE CLASSES AT THE EARLIEST CONVENIENCE. WE WILL ALSO LOOK FOR CERTIFIED CANDIDATES THAT ARE AVAILABLE DAYTIMES. NOTE, THIS PROBLEM WILL BE THE HARDEST ONE TO REMEDY, AS VOLUNTEERS ARE HARD TO FIND, AND MOST HAVE REGULAR JOBS, AND PERSONNEL ARE NOT GOING INTO THE MEDICAL FIELD AS MUCH.