

West Newbury Board of Fire Engineers
Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2022

In Attendance: Michael Dwyer, Ben Jennell (ZOOM), Dave Evans, Mark Marlowe &
Cooper Carifio

I. Call to Order: 7:00pm

II. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- May 5, 2022: Minutes - Motion to approve (M. Dwyer), 2nd (D. Evans)
Approved (4-0) * M. Marlowe not in attendance at this time
- June 9, 2022: Minutes - Motion to approve (M. Dwyer), 2nd (D. Evans)
Approved (4-0) * M. Marlowe not in attendance at this time

III. Budget: Chief Dwyer

- FY24 Budget will be similar to the FY23 Budget (no large changes)
 - Reduced medical spending by approximately \$2,000 (Per Town Mgr request)
 - Will not be paying the cost for hydrant repairs
 - Equipment Grant (DFS) - \$12,500
 - Will look into Active Shooter equipment
 - Vests, plates, helmets and medical equipment –
Firematics will get pricing to Chief Dwyer
 - WNFD may have to pay \$500 for gear

IV. Apparatus

- Chief Dwyer approved new tires for Engine 23
- Battery Charger on Engine 23 needs to be replaced – Lt Marlowe has Al Burnham coming to check it out.
- Ladder testing is completed for FY23
- Hose testing needs to be done (was put on hold due to COVID)
- Pump testing needs to be done (FDSS ?)

V. Special Articles:

- AC Jennell spoke on the equipment purchased with the money from the Special Articles:
 - Jaws & Equipment (\$8,000)
 - Power Tools and Saws (\$9,000) * will order the K12 saw and Roof saws (2)

VI. November Meeting:

- Chief Dwyer will send out email for a meeting to discuss the FY24 Budget & special articles
- Due to replace Forestry 27
 - Does not want another “Hand-me-down” truck
 - \$50,000 from Capital Improvement for new replacement truck.
 - Was bumped to \$85,000 for new truck. AC Jennell looking into new truck (Deep South Trucking in Texas)
 - Chief Dwyer will be checking in with ZOLL for replacing AED’s through out the Public Safety Departments (Special Article)

VII. Meeting Adjournment: 7:20pm