

Newtown Volunteer Ambulance Corp.

Quarterly Business Meeting – March 26, 2024

6 Washington Square, Newtown, CT 06470

Meeting commenced at 19:00

Attendees: Chief Greenspan, Asst Chief Arneth, Secretary Newsom (arrived at 19:10) NVAC Members: Joseph Belisari, Liz Cain, Kris Peterson, Thomas Ryer, Diane Salvo, Janet Zamarly.

Agenda:

Old Business: Minutes from fourth quarter 2023 business meeting approved unanimously.

New business:

Procedures for notification to e-board from committees was reviewed.

Discussion regarding mutual aid calls to Southbury regarding procedures for covering these calls and being able to assist Southbury while covering Newtown.

Reviewed Mutual Aid proposal with the Town of Brookfield and how it can assist Newtown in covering calls.

The next batch of radios have arrived. Many have been distributed to members for direct responding.

Blue books in all ambulances have been updated with radio/channel updates for all hospitals.

The wording “Volunteer” had inadvertently been removed from logo on clothing – all new items will have it added back to clothing.

The chief/e-board has met with many in town care facilities. Each place has different policies regarding calling 911, mostly as it relates to ‘fall’ calls. NVAC is working with them to help reduce these calls as to keep crews freed up for multiple calls simultaneously.

EMS1 – Many members have yet to complete their required annual trainings. March 31st was the deadline. Future trainings will be reduced now that all members are on the same training plan.

The members have voted on a new summer shirt – an initial order is being placed.

Members are reminded to visit our internal website – more information daily/weekly – google calendar.

Insurance and driver’s license info has been provided to the Association as required annually for the insurance company.

Spring cleaning date to be set – all members are asked to help out.

Procedure for new paramedic coming on staff procedure was discussed. Service that provides medics is required to have medics oriented in Town prior to staffing in town.

Staffing has improved greatly – no first calls have been dropped since November 2023. Members are asked to give anything that they can, so all calls are covered.

NVAC is at the 1-year mark with Bravo1. Suggested changes to sign-out and sign-in process are being reviewed for simplicity.

General feedback regarding the incentive plan is that there are members that are doing more hours due to the plan.