



# POQUONNOCK BRIDGE FIRE DISTRICT

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## Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes March 13, 2025

**Present:** President Ron Yuhas, Vice President Kevin Marquardt, Jon Luther, Richard Marquardt, Clerk/Treasurer Susan Aguiar, Chief Rheame, Deputy Chief Lowell and District Administrator Mary Santos

**Absent:** Board Member Randy Ackley and Al Luther

At 6:10 p.m. President Ron Yuhas announced the call to order with the time, date and place. Roll call was taken to establish a quorum. A moment of silence and a pledge to the flag followed.

### Remarks from Visitors:

N/A

### Approval of Previous Minutes:

MOTION: It was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to accept the meeting minutes of February 13, 2025.

### Reports and Communications:

Fire Chief Rheame's report was submitted, read and accepted for the record. Deputy Chief Lowell's report was submitted, read and accepted for the record. Fire Marshal Bednarz's report was accepted for the record.

### Old Business

### New Business

- a. Personnel Matter: A motion was made by Kevin Marquardt to go into Executive Session at 6:21 pm to discuss a personnel matter. The meeting was resumed at 6:45 pm and no votes were taken.
- b. Approval of Sole Source Provider and Matching Funds of \$9,899.60 for the AFG: Kevin Marquardt made a motion to accept MES's letter as the sole source provider for 3M-Scott Fire and Safety to allocate \$9,899.60 from the Reserve Fund as the district's match for the 2023 Assistance to Firefighter's Grant award for the purchase of new breathing apparatus and associated equipment and training. Susan M. Aguiar seconded the motion and it was passed with a 4-0 vote.
- c. Approval of Brycer Compliance Engine: Chief Rheame gave an overview of Brycer explaining there would be no cost to the district but there would be a cost to the tax payer. Ron Yuhas and Kevin Marquardt would like to know if the fees being charged to the tax payer would be in the contract that the district would sign and would the company be able to increase the fee? Ron Yuhas wanted the Chief to ask the Fire Marshal if he would like

- the town buildings and schools exempt. Chief Rheaume will get answers and report back at the next board meeting in April
- d. Budget Workshop: Scheduled for March 31, 2025 at 5:30pm at Thrive 55+ Active Living Center.

Good of the Department

Chief Rheaume received an email from Police Chief Fusaro of the Groton Town Police thanking the crew at Poquonnock Bridge for their assistance at a call at 106 Midway Oval. Chief Rheaume read the email to the board members.

Presentation and payment of bills

Treasurer/Clerk Aguiar announced that the bills to be paid for February 2025 in the amount of \$128,766.39 were accepted.

MOTION: At 7:31 PM it was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to adjourn. The next regular meeting will be held on April 10, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan M. Aguiar, Clerk  
Poquonnock Bridge Fire District