

COLCHESTER HAYWARD VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY
MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Thursday, April 9th, 2026

President Marvin called the meeting to order at 1900 hours.

FF/EMS LODD YTD: 4 – a moment of silence observed and a benediction by Chaplain Caronna.

Voting members present: 33, Total members present: 39

Minutes from the March meeting were posted – motion by Marty Gordon to accept, 2nd by Brian Currie.

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Executive Officer Roll Call: President D. Marvin, Vice President K. Kundahl, Treasurer Chuck Maynard, Secretary M. Ziegler

Treasurer’s Report:

Motion by Marty Gordon and 2nd by Justin Derr, all approved to pay the bills. Forward to Trustees.

Correspondence: 4: Irene & Brendan Healy thank you card, Gary & Sharon Baack card read in regard to Rob Brown donation, New England States Veteran Fireman League Inc membership letter read and dues paid, Yantic Fire Engine Co. 1 chicken bbq on May 2, 2026, Take-out Only, Call Rick for Tickets: 860-213-2873.

Chief’s report: No Chiefs were present, Sitrep attached, 5 important topics to note:

1. Training Facility Licensing Agreement is nearly completed. Once CHVFC approves, will bring to the next BOS meeting.
2. Ensure EMS providers obtain patient signatures. There are times where this is not possible, but effort should be made to obtain this as it affects billing and attests to certain items.
3. DO NOT use Troop K as the home address of patients that are transported from there. Ask the Troopers for their home address, as billing is being sent to Troop K and they do not pay it. Then we have to work with the billing company to track down the patient’s information.
4. The Fire Marshal needs to be contacted for all fires in town. This can be down through a request to QV.
5. Memorial Day Parade is on May 24th with step off at 1230 hrs. I am not aware of anything changing, but Lt. Kundahl will be the contact and coordinating the event.

Captain’s/Lieutenant’s reports: None

Committee reports

Committee	Tasks/ Motions
175 th Anniversary: TBD 2029	
Antiques/Historical/Museum: Capital City Helmets gave Matt Ziegler a gold Hayward Fire Chief badge that he gave Jarod Underberg for the museum to display. Also, someone dropped off 4 German style fire helmets to HQ from 1800 – 1900s so Jarod took them to museum as well.	Discussion on what we have and what we need at the museum for phone/TV/wifi internet. Alarm system is on wifi. Is fiber an option? John Knapp discussion on donation of \$5,000 for internet. Dan Rowland will confirm what is needed and used.
Awards Banquet: March 6 th , 2027	If you have any raffle prize requests see a committee member. Congrats to Brendan Fiala 10 years & Blake Baillargeon 5 years of service. They were not at the banquet so received their pins tonight at the meeting.
Bereavement:	Bob Russell’s sister died & Ruby York’s son died. Flowers/Cards sent.
Bylaws: The Bylaw Change approved at the 4/9/26 meeting with the modification approved by	Bylaw Committee Report for the monthly April 2026 meeting:

motion. See attached.	<p>- There is one Bylaw change to be voted on tonight. This is the change of the annual meeting from January to October. It has been posted since the March 2026 meeting</p> <p>- A proposed change to the Point System Bylaw (Article XII) has been presented to the CHVFC Executive Board for review. This change better aligns with the current CFE call requirements for remaining active.</p> <p>- There is currently no Bylaw Committee meeting scheduled.</p>
Christmas trees: growing!	
Comp. Contract: will work on after SP contract.	<p>See attached document for Schuster Park agreement.</p> <p>*One change from special meeting: Company Attorney agreed to maintenance terms</p>
Fire Prevention: Open House Oct. 4 th , 2026	
Golf Tournament:	<p>Date is secured at Black Ledge Country Club again: Monday, Sept. 21st – contract is signed and returned, different food options this year to change it up, will be selling dinner only tickets too for non-golfers.</p>
Grievance: no report	
Holiday dinner: Dec. 11 th , 2026	
House 1: no report	
House 2: no report	
Kitchen: Thanks to the Aux. for dinner tonight	<p>The freezer died but has since been reset and sustaining. There is a temperature monitoring device in the radio room at HQ that is Bluetooth to Debi Marvin phone. Please do not unplug it! It will alarm.</p>
Mailbox Signs: no report	
Mailout: no report	
Parade: Our parade is 5/24 1230 step off any questions contact LT Kundahl or FF Underberg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webster Mass May 17th Tri State Hand Pumper Convention. • Bozrah May 23rd Tanker 228 & Truck 128 going. • Windsor Locks June 27th Summer Fest Hand Pumper going. • Thomaston August 1st no convention this year but a state parade here with the hand pumper. • Mystic August 27th Hand Tub Muster. • Massachusetts Aug 26-29 Annual SPAMFA
Photography:	<p>Add your photos to the 2026 Cluster please! Remember to take videos as well.</p>
Physical Fitness:	<p>Our treadmill and stair master both broke last month according to Kyle Mosig. Tom Welch fixed the stair master, thank you Tom. Justin Derr stated the cable weight machine also is broken. Can someone please bring the treadmill to the transfer station? See New Business for more.</p>
Picnic: no report	
Quartermaster: Reminder if you have a uniform out on loan to please get it dry cleaned and return it!	<p>-The new CFE shirts that each new member gets (short & long sleeve) are running low on certain sizes. Matt will do inventory. Discussion on who purchases these as we've</p>

	<p>gone back and forth in the past Dept and Company every other order. Dept asked us to wait until July if they're going to buy this round. Dept is buying (well Capt. Joseph is getting quotes for) uniform badges so maybe we buy this round of t-shirts? No decision made.</p> <p>-Matt is getting quotes from Capital Uniform for tie bars and hat badges to have on stock for when people borrow uniforms.</p>
Recruitment and Retention:	<p>1st Quarter Awards – See Ruby for your Gift Cards</p> <p>Top Responder: Matt LaRosa – 110 calls Most Trainings Attended: Matt LaRosa – 12 classes Most EMS Scene: Olivia Berard – 33 calls Most EMS Shifts: Brian Currie – 43 shifts Most Overnight Calls: Blake Baillargeon – 13 calls</p>
Santa on the Green: Dec. 5 th 2026	<p>The sleigh will probably need to be moved again from Elite Detailing in Westchester; Matt Ziegler to follow up with Dave Barnes.</p>
Scholarship:	<p>Committee met remotely. Brody Derr received \$1,000 & another undisclosed recipient from Bacon Academy will also receive \$1,000 at the Awards Night.</p>
Schuster Park:	<p>-SP Committee Meeting on Monday 4/13, SP Training Facility Build Out Meeting on 4/15, and SP Work Detail on Sunday 4/26.</p> <p>-Steve Shorts reports more rentals are coming in!</p> <p>-Chuck Maynard spoke with Empire Paving and our driveway will be redone this summer.</p> <p>-Welder will continue to work on the Training Facility railings next week.</p> <p>-Funds for a new sign were donated and ordered. The sign will be visible from getting off old exit 17 eastbound on Mill Hill Rd.</p>
Social media: no report	
Vending: no report	
Old Business:	<p>-Yard Goats game flyers posted at both fire stations, game is 7/30/26, so far 10 people have signed up, and we need 25 for a group discount.</p> <p>-Eastern CT Softball League needs \$75 for our team to play; motion by Marty Gordon, second by Matt Ziegler. The bat is at Co. 2. We have 4 players from our company.</p> <p>-Bylaw vote passes 28, 0. Motion by Rick Berkman, 2nd by Chuck Maynard. Motion passes.</p> <p>-The bunting Debi Marvin ordered is in for the lightbars.</p> <p>-Discussion on Schuster Park Training Facility Contract. Motion by Tony Skut, 2nd by Bert Marvin for President Marvin to sign the contract.</p>

<p>New Business:</p>	<p>-Lt Justin Derr mentioned the key fob system has been down on both sides of Fire Hq. John Knapp stated it could be a battery issue. Chief Hoffmann is getting quotes for a new system but Matt Ziegler will pass along John Knapp's info to Chief Hoffmann first.</p> <p>-John Rowan Stern will investigate grants for Physical Fitness Equipment. Chuck Maynard will check with Anytime Fitness in Westchester to see if they can donate a treadmill. VP Keith Kundahl checked with Bacon Academy Athletic Director and they do not have a treadmill to donate us. Discussion on asking Chief Hoffmann to pay for a new treadmill out of the "donations fund" by Matt Ziegler, 2nd by Bert Marvin. Chuck requested we hold off and see what we can find out first from other avenues. Lots of discussion on how the IAFF 3831 members use the gym and request they pitch in some funds; Matt spoke with Kyle Mosig and that won't happen.</p> <p>-Secretary Ziegler updated a document between the E-Board members for when members have our property out on loan ie. Tables and chairs. A member of the E-Board needs to be notified/give permission to borrow such items and will be logged.</p> <p>-Treasurer Maynard made a motion for \$380 for new cameras at Schuster Park, 2nd by Judi Didato. Motion carried. The current cameras had moisture damage. The vandalism at SP has severely slowed down or stopped since cameras have been installed. Chuck and Steve Shorts have access to the cameras.</p>
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Board reports

Board	Task/ Motions
<p>Point audit: posted by Brian Currie in both radio rooms and passed around at meeting.</p>	<p>Matt, Judi, Debi and Rick are sitting down to do an old school paper audit. If anyone keeps track of the calls they went to please send that info to Matt or Judi.</p>
<p>Trustees: Need to schedule a meeting.</p>	
<p>Welfare: No report.</p>	
<p>Membership:</p> <p>Cadet Report for the Month of April 2026</p> <p>Membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nothing new <p>Qualifications/Certifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No meeting was held ● Cadet kickball, Tuesday, July 14th, 20% of Mel's purchases go towards the cadets 	<p>Welcome new member Josh Wojtunik</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working on vehicle extrication for this months training topic. Signed, Cadet Captain Brody Derr	
Motion to accept Cadet Report by Marty Gordon, 2 nd by Tony Skut.	

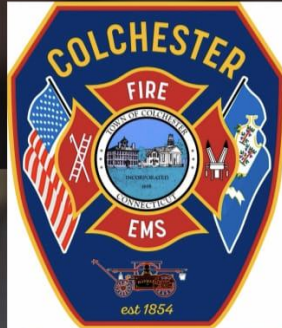
President’s Minute: Reminder of Coffee Communications on Tuesday. Please utilize IaR Events and RSVP so we can plan for food for the Memorial Day Parade/Picnic. Sign up for the Yard Goats Game if interested.

Motion to adjourn by Marty Gordon, 2nd by Bert Marvin. Meeting adjourned at 2040 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
 Matthew Ziegler
 CHVFC Secretary

1	Applicant	Stage	Division	Co. Of
2	Dax Bard	On Probation	EMS Division	Capt. Standi
3	Scott Kardys	On Probation	EMS Division	Lt. Baillargeo
4	Elijah Blanchard	On Probation	Fire Division	Lt. Dombros
5	Larissa Vilcinskas	On Probation	EMS Division	Capt. Standi
6	Katlyn Payne	On Probation	EMS Division	Lt. Baillargeo
7	Quinton Czarnota	On Probation	EMS Division	Capt. Standi
8	Cole Harrison	On Probation	EMS Division	Lt. Baillargeo
9	John Rowan Stern	On Probation	Fire Police Divi...	Lt. Bush
10	Isabel Poole	On Probation	EMS Division	Capt. Standi
11	Michael Laban	On Probation	EMS Division	Capt. Standi
12	Justin Deloge	On Probation	Fire Division	N/A
13	Felix Colondres	Awaiting Physical	Fire Division	
14	Amber Harrison	Awaiting Physical	Fire Police Divi...	
15	Brandon Liggett	Application Reciev...		
16	Joshua Wojtunik	Awaiting Drug Scre...	EMS Division	Lt. Baillargeo
17	Sam Hipsher	Application Reciev...		
18	Kaden Sorits	Awaiting Physical	Fire Division	
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COFFEE CONVERSATIONS



Stop in, have a cup of coffee and chat about the history of the department, new projects, etc

All our former and current personnel are welcome to attend!!



Tuesdays following the CHVFC Monthly Meeting at 4:00PM at Fire HQ