

Centerville-Osterville Marstons Mills Fire Department
Fire Commissioners' Meeting
September 15, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting will come to order at 1700 and will be recorded. We will begin our meeting with public comment. If you wish to provide public comment, please raise your hand, and wait to be called on by the chair. Speakers should identify themselves when called on to speak. Each speaker may have a minimum of three minutes. To be complaint with the Open Meeting Law, the board may choose not to engage in discussion on a particular comment but may wish to include the topic on a future agenda. The Board of Fire Commissioners strives to maintain an orderly and peaceable public meeting environment.

Fire Commissioners Macallister, Coombs, and Brown were in attendance along with Chief Hill, Deputy Rogers, and N. Kennedy.

Roll call was taken. Questions or comments on last month's meeting minutes? Seeing none, a motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the August 15, 2025, meeting.

There were no ambulance waivers.

CORRESPONDENCE

Effective September 1, 2025, all Barnstable County Fire Departments transitioned to a standardized apparatus identification and radio communication format. This change is intended to standardize communications, reduce confusion, and improve coordination across all Barnstable County departments.

PERSONNEL

James Craven and William Botelho have completed their 2-week orientation. James has been assigned to Group 3 and William has been assigned to Group 1.

Joe Desrosiers last day was September 12th.

Maintenance Technician Domonic Diauto started on September 8th.

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention continued this month with routine inspections both commercial and residential. Resale/Transfer inspections were down for the month.

Participated in the Annual Kids Day held at Barnstable High School. We had our tent set up and handed out many informational flyers, plastic helmets, and other swag, along with educating both adults and kids. FPO Booth also attended West Villages Elementary School ice cream social where he scooped ice cream.

FPO Booth gave a tour to the district to Lead Dispatcher Perkins and Dispatcher Larrivee to go over high target hazers i.e. nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and schools.

This past month a total of (69) permits were issued by the Fire Prevention Office while collecting (\$1,645.00)

permits. Resale inspections of homes were the least common type of permit (30) and inspection (43). Overall Fire Prevention completed (98) inspections and/or activities, (25) of which were part of our Community Outreach "Senior Safe" campaign.

EMS

New ambulances expected to be delivered in the next 2 weeks. Anticipate 2 weeks of radio and equipment installation upon arrival to COMM.

FF Mosher has been instrumental in assisting with inventory management and compliance. Also assisting with new equipment instruction to crews.

EMS training has resumed after the summer season. Required classes have been scheduled. NCCP, CPR etc.

All Stryker equipment preventive maintenance has been completed.

DISPATCH

In the month of August COMM units were dispatched to 514 calls for service and 102 calls were dispatched for Cotuit. **Chief Hill – 3,623 calls for the year.**

EQUIPMENT

Car 4 (321) – Faulty backup camera, contacted CMG to replace camera.

Car 5 (323) – Replaced running board lights.

Service 3 (322) – Performed oil change.

Engine 3 (303) – Charged air conditioning system. Cleaned battery connections on generator. Scott Repair replaced faulty lower ball joint.

Engine 2 (304) – Charged air conditioning system. Ordered new receiver/dryer.

Engine 1 (305) – Replaced valves for water and foam. Quoting to rebuild a/c compressor.

Rescue 1 (306) – Performed oil change. Replaced fan belt and fuel filter. **Chief Hill – ALS engine.**

Ladder 1 (307) – Replaced driver side air horn. Replaced all front brake components.

Scott Repair inspected all engines. Ordered parts to replace (3) ball joints.

GovDeals arrived to take photos of the hovercraft to post online for sale. **Chief Hill – hope to be posted online this week.**

TRAINING

This month's training emphasized readiness in firefighting, rapid intervention, driver/operator skills, and EMS care. Fire companies focused on SCBA proficiency, respirator protection, and tactical size-up through CHIPS house walk-throughs. RIT evolutions and fireground roundtable discussions reinforced survival, strategy, and decision-making. Officer and operator training requirements continued with driver training and officer development webinars. EMS training highlighted recognition and management of shock, with scheduled M&M rounds supporting ongoing clinical education. Fire Engineering LMS training has been scheduled this month to

be deployed as a new component of the department's learning management system.

OPERATIONS

Marine Division

All marine units are in service. As of August 31st, the department has responded to fifteen marine-related incidents during CY 2025.

Dive Team

The Dive Team conducted training in August at Hathaway's Pond. The focus of the training was partner based free diving.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Repaired B-side sidewalk at Station 1.

Assembled new lobby chairs and table at Station 1.

Installed new display case in Station 1 lobby and hallway.

BUDGET

See attached budget sheet.

PLANNING

COMM Recognition Ceremony will be held on Friday, October 17th at 10:00am.

Chief Hill – Installation of the Above Ground Storage Tanks is making progress and will hopefully be moving forward with the work soon.

Chief Hill – Attended site plan review for Centerville Cove a housing complex consisting of 3 story 36-unit apartments and 19 additional townhouses. The department had asked for a traffic study to be done, and the study came back that there will be no change in traffic by adding this complex. We will be working with the Water Department once the planning moves forward as to placement of hydrants.

COMMITTEES

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES (IT)

MISCELLANEOUS

Community Educational CPR class will be held on October 10th at the Osterville Village Library. **Chief Hill – Firefighter DePippo will be conducting this class.**

Flu Clinic will be held on October 28th at HQ.

Honor Guard presented the flags at Fenway Park for the Red Sox vs. Yankees game on September 12th.

Local 2346 along with Four Seas Ice Cream held and ice cream social where the antique fire truck and ladder truck were present.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 1724. Next meeting is October 20th at 5:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Doug Brown", written over a horizontal line.

Doug Brown, Clerk