

The Tolland Fire Department, Inc.  
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES  
February 2, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Jared Senelick at 1900hrs. Members were requested to silence all cell phones and pagers. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Roll Call:

The roll was called and 19 Active members were present, representing a quorum.

	Audette, Nicholas - PSO	X	Duval, Joseph, Jr.		John, Clerin - S		Peirola, Kayla
	Bautista, Camilla - S		Eddy, Mary Katherine - S		Karasinski, Katherine (KC) - P		Racicot, Carrie (MLOA)
X	Bielski, Kladia - S	X	Euliano, Kelly		LeBrecque, Sophia - S		Racicot, Douglas - S
X	Binheimer, Tina		Falcone, Frank - PSO		Lee, Michael - S	X	Roper, Benjamin
	Brodhueher, Jeffrey		Farley, Kristopher		Li, Derrick - S		Sagi, Shreya - S
	Calchera, Anthony	X	Fellner, Jake - S	x	Littell, John		Sce, Amanda
X	Calchera, Tony		Fournier - Wyllie, Olivia - S		Littell, Ronald Jr (MLOA)		Seitz, Timothy - PSO
	Cheneski, Brady - S	X	Gallagher, Jeffrey		Livingston, Zoey - S	X	Senelick, Jared
	Chevalier, Taylor - S		Gantick, Trevor - PSO		Lloyd, Jessica -P	X	Sisson, Jon
	Chilukuri, Aniketh - S		Ganta, Akshaj - S		Locke, Justin		Sogliuzzi, Lianna - S
X	Corne, Donald	X	Gearin, Joshua		Malpure, Aditi - S		Tanner, Elizabeth - S
	Cunningham, Kelsey - P		Gordon, Lara - S	X	Maynard, Grace - S	X	Trice, Kenneth
X	Curley, Chris		Gottier, Kimberly - S	X	McDonald, Broderick	X	Walbridge, Richard
X	D'Silva, Kyle - S		Grogan, Michael		Meyer, Julie - PSO		Wilkinson, Benjamin - S
X	Davis, Carl (CJ)		Handel, Christopher - PSO		Mimbs, Tiffanie		Williams, Jordan
	Davis, Sarah - S	X	Indermaur, Douglas	X	O'Hanyan, Andre -S		Wozjenski, Amber - S
X	Desilets, James	X	Jampal, Grishma - S		Papanikolaou, Sophia - S	X	Yudichak, Colleen = P
X	Dojan, Carl		Jian, Noen - S	X	Patel, Sina - S		Ziegelmeier, Amy

P = Probationary Member    R = Reserve Member    S = Special Member/UCONN/PSO

**Auxiliary**

	Bernier, Carol		Gorsky, Julia		Walbridge, Sam		
	Curley, Laurel		Sisson, Loisann				

## Explorers

Capt. Zonghetti, Jack		Lt Roberts, Mason		Lt Hudson, Rex		Davis, Savannah
McIntyre, Nathan		Senelick, William		Wilson, Evin		

### Chief's Report given by Chief Littell:

- Firehouses: Waiting on the contractors regarding the roof on Station 440. Working on the heater and other items at Station 140. Station 240 ran out of fuel this morning.
- Budget: Capitol budget meeting for the town is in 2 weeks. Still uncertain what we will be doing with the old A640 chassis. May make into a dive truck to replace the trailer.
- Meetings/Legislation: Chief attended meetings with the state to discuss the increasing costs of apparatus. They were impressed with the records Tolland keeps which shows them the extreme increase in purchasing new vs refurbishing, etc.
- Chief will be working diligently to get the tones changed to separate the medical with the fire and hopes to get it done in the next 3 months.
- Chief wanted to remind members about how important confidentiality is. We all signed agreements. Remember that you could be out in public speaking to another member about something and someone can overhear. Keep information off social media.
- When temperatures are extreme (hot/cold), we need to do our best to rotate out the crews so they can have cooling or warming breaks.
- In the winter, try to grab the service truck with plow. In situations where the driveway or roads are in poor condition, remember we have the service truck, or maybe we need to call DPW or a contractor to assist.
- Chief recommended to the Board of Directors to send a thank you to Killingly Rehab and our Auxiliary for coming out for our last large incident.
- The department is extremely thankful to have Chaplin Gallagher who was on scene of the fire and was able to handle speaking to the family and continue to work with them and their needs.

### Explorers Report:

- Explorers were meeting at Station 240 for training during our meeting.

### Secretary's Report:

- None

### Treasurer's Report:

- Income: \$1,185.00 Expenses: \$7,173.58 Net: \$-6,038.58

### Report of the Board of Directors:

- Met once on January 29. Accepted 2 new applicants for membership.

### Membership Report:

#### Introducing new members

- Klaudia Bileski - UCONN Student. Has been an EMT for Stratford EMS.

-Collen Yudichak - Town Resident. Has her EMR earned through Capt Corne's Program.

Fire Operations Reports:

Total Calls: 185

	Day Time #	Night Time #
Fire	6	9
EMS	64	88
Hazard	6	13
MVA	7	11
Other	5	5
I-84	3	3

Training Report given by Capt Roper:

- Fire Rescue One - Thank you to all those who completed it in 2025. The modules for 2026 should be coming out soon. Reminder to EMT's, these count for CE Credits.
- Next Monday is EMS Week.
- Feb 16 - No training.
- Feb 23 - Cold Water Ice Rescue
- Capt is working on recertifications for all those who have March renewals.

Safety Reports given by Asst Chief Dojan:

- Snow and ice create a fall hazard so please use caution.
- Fire hydrants are not yet all cleared out. If you are coming back from a call and see one that is not yet cleared, please feel free to stop and clear it out.
- Reminder that career staff is not solely responsible for shoveling snow at the firehouses or hydrants. Please help out when you can.
- Another reminder that on nice days, if the walkways are dry with a lot of salt, please hose them as the salt is disintegrating the pavement.
- We have show grippers on apparatus, please use them if needed. Please remove them prior to entering anyone's home.

EMS Operations Reports given by EMS Capt Don Corne:

- Next weeks training will be the topic of "Bad Labs". We will have a presenter coming to discuss why they can be emergent calls.
- Officers have updated the feedback form from EMT's. Please use them.
- There has been a new form added regarding training during shifts, etc
- Officers are putting together FTO Guidelines for EMS Personnel.
- Lt Williams is asking for EMS Personnel to please reach out to their officers to take on shifts.

Christmas Tour/Parade Committee:

- Nothing new to report other than Asst Dojan will be stepping down as the Parade Coordinator so we will need a replacement prior to planning of the next.

Peer Support given by: Rev Dr Jeffrey Gallagher

The Peer Team wants to alert our department about two events that are coming up which members may be interested in attending.

- First - Travis Howze - a well known speaker who speaks about first responder wellness and mental health, will be coming to Central Connecticut State University on September 12, 2026. Tickets are \$40 per person and are expected to sell quickly.
- Second - we are in conversation with the Quiet Corner Peer Support Team to bring their "Spot the Signs" presentation to our department. This training lifts up the signs of mental health struggles that first responders may experience, to both watch out for in ourselves and in each other. No date has been set, yet, but we will be sharing one soon.

In the meantime, especially in light of some challenging calls as of late, please reach out if you need to talk. Conversations are confidential and can be anything: work related, department related, or something in your own life. We can then point you to additional resources to help, should that be necessary. We always encourage people to reach out before something becomes a problem, and we're available 24/7, all contact numbers on the walls in all the stations and the Training Center.

Truck Committee by Chief Littell:

- No new developments. Half payment has been made for the new Squad.

Tolland County Mutual Aid Fire Service by Asst Chief Dojan:

- January meeting was regarding the Statewide Fire Plan.
- Talked about the possibilities of moving to a Chief's Association layout.

Tolland Windham County Mutual Aid Ambulance Association (TWCMAAA) by EMS Capt Corne:

- Meets every other month and looking to revamp.
- The next meeting is February 17 if anyone is interested. Will be at JMH.
- Capt Corne requesting training on regional level if the association is willing.

For the Good of the Company:

- Winter Hats available. Speak to Capt Roper
- Capt Walbridge is working on redoing the TFD Website.
- The Town Council has been making comments about their appreciation of our department members.

Motion made, seconded, and meeting was adjourned at 1948hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved (or corrected and approved) on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.