



*City of Bristol
Board of Fire Commissioners*

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The regular Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on Thursday, March 26, 2026 at 6:00 pm in City Hall Council Chambers, 111 North Main Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Employee Recognition
3. Public Participation
4. Communications
5. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Approval of the February 22, 2026 Meeting Minutes.
 - b. Approval of the March 19, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes.
6. Approval of Monthly Reports
 - a. Approval of the February Monthly Reports.
7. Committee Reports
 - a. Fire Station 3 Building Committee Report
 - b. Personnel Committee Report
8. Old Business
 - a. Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Discussion
 - b. Charter Revision Discussion.

9. New Business

10. Adjournment

PER ORDER OF THE CHAIRPERSON
Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu

Board of Fire Commissioners' Regular

Meeting February 22, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., in City Hall Council Chambers, 111 N Main Street Bristol, CT

Present: Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, Commissioners Sean Moore, Dana Jandreau, Hal Kilby, Anthony Benvenuto, and Sandra Bogdanski, Council Member Peter Kelly, and Fire Chief Richard Hart.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Zoppo-Sassu at 6:00 pm.

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- a. Chief Hart recognized Deputy Chief David Simard on his retirement from the Bristol Fire Department following 39 years of dedicated service.
- b. Chief Hart recognized members of the fire department for their life saving actions at a structure fire, incident #168, on January 22, 2026.
 - Lieutenant Gary Buzzell
 - Lieutenant Lance Lavore
 - Firefighter Andrew Duval
 - Firefighter John Stankus
- c. Chief Hart recognized members of the department for their actions at a structure fire, incident # 168, on January 22, 2026.
 - Captain James Plaster
 - Lieutenant Jason Dufour
 - Lieutenant Charles Judd
 - Firefighter Adam Barbuto
 - Firefighter Anthony Bentivengo
 - Firefighter Ryan Blaney
 - Firefighter Ryan Ciani
 - Firefighter Gregory Corvo
 - Firefighter Max Corvo
 - Firefighter Thomas Maguire
 - Firefighter Benjamin Mike
 - Firefighter Lawrence Rossi

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. None.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Mayor Zoppo-Sassu welcomed Commissioner Sandra Bogdanski. Commissioner Bogdanski

introduced herself to the board. She shared that she is a lifelong resident of Bristol and her late husband was a Waterbury Firefighter. She is honored to be serving as a commissioner.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- a. On motion of Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Jandreau it was unanimously voted: To approve the January 22, 2026 meeting minutes.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MONTHLY REPORTS

- a. On motion of Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Jandreau it was unanimously voted: To approve the January monthly reports.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Fire Station 3 Building Committee
 - Commissioner Moore provided an updated for the Fire Station 3 Building Committee. He shared that the building is anticipated to be occupied mid-March and the project remains under budget. The building committee hopes to hold an open house for the community sometime in April after Station 3 has moved in.
- b. Personnel Committee
 - Commissioner Jandreau shared that promotional testing for the ranks of Lieutenant, Captain, and Deputy Chief have been posted and written tests will be held March 16th and 18th.
 - The Fire Equipment Technician position was discussed. Chief Hart advised he is in discussion with Human Resources to redefine the position to mechanic to allow more in house repairs and services on apparatus. He shared that an increase in pay to align with the updated job description has been requested. Human Resources has concerns regarding the position's salary increase and being in the Fire Union as a civilian. The Commissioners expressed their support and agreement with Chief Hart. On motion of Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Jandreau it was unanimously voted to: Endorse the recommendation of Chief Hart to update the Fire Equipment Technician position to Mechanic and increase the salary. The commission advised Chief Hart build documentation within the monthly reports to show the costs associated with sending the apparatus out for repairs.
 - Chief Hart shared that the UTV from the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security has been delivered and a training program for the UTV will be implemented in the near future to the department.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Discussion
 - Mayor Zoppo-Sassu advised that Capital Improvement met earlier today and reviewed the various projects in discussion. The Fire budget is set to be

reviewed on March 4th at 6:00 pm. Chief Hart advised the budget is at an increase due to a request for 12 additional firefighters. He discussed the SAFER Grant and the terms anticipated. At this time DHS and FEMA are shut down and the grant has not yet been released.

- b. Commissioner Kilby gave an update on the red-light cameras through the Police Commission. He advised there are many questions the commission will be researching and reporting back on at their next meeting. He is hopeful there will be a positive referral to the Ordinance Committee and City Council following.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. A board of finance request to appropriate donated funds into Molly the Fire Dog's account was submitted. On motion of Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Benvenuto it was unanimously voted to: Approve the Board of Finance request to appropriate \$5,271.00 of donated funds into Molly's account.
- b. A board of finance request to appropriate donated funds to the Hap Barnes Fire Safety Trailer account from the Main Street Community Foundation was submitted. On motion of Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Kilby it was unanimously voted to: Approve the Board of Finance request to appropriate \$3,410.00 into the Hap Branes Fire Safety Trailer account.
- c. Commissioner Jandreau addressed the commission concerning language in the City Charter around promotional testing for Chief. He shared that currently the charter states that candidates who attain a mark of 70% or higher on the oral exam be placed on the final eligibility list and hired in scored order. The firefighter eligibility list is determined based on the Fire Boards recommendations. Other departments hold no test for Chief, but rather a submission of a resume, an oral interview, and the mayor or city leadership selecting the candidate. The commission will review language in chapter 42 to see if any other language changes or modernizations are needed.
- d. Chief Hart shared that the Bristol Exchange Club will be honoring Deputy Chief Mark Martin as Firefighter of the Year on Monday, March 30th.

10. ADJOURN

- a. On motion of Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Jandreau, it was unanimously voted: To adjourn the meeting at 7:03 pm.

Recording Secretary: Sara Bianchi

Board of Fire Commissioners' Special Meeting

March 19, 2026

A Special Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 9:00am in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, 111 N Main Street Bristol, CT

Present: Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, Commissioners Sean Moore, Hal Kilby, Dana Jandreau Anthony Benvenuto, and Sandra Bogdanski, City Council Member Peter Kelley, and Fire Chief Richard Hart.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Zoppo-Sassu at 9:00 am.

2. CONSIDERATION OF A CANDIDATE

- a. Discussion was held in regards to candidate selection for firefighter. The Personnel Committee made a recommendation to move forward with Candidate Lucas Martin. On motion of Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Benvenuto it was unanimously voted to: Consider candidate Lucas Martin for appointment pending the successful completion of a pre-employment screening.
- b. Discussion was held in regards to promotions for Deputy Chief, Captain, and Lieutenant. Chief Hart advised that written testing had just completed and oral exams will take place March 30th and 31st. The board discussed that they will hold special meetings to promote as needed.

3. ADJOURN

- a. On motion of Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Kilby it was unanimously voted: To adjourn the meeting at 9:06 am.

Recording Secretary: Sara Bianchi



BRISTOL FIRE DEPARTMENT
181 NORTH MAIN ST.
BRISTOL CT

OFFICE OF THE FIRE CHIEF
RICHARD HART
FIRE CHIEF

Fire Chief's February Monthly Report

March 26, 2026

To the Honorable Fire Commissioners;

The month of February saw the BFD respond to 239 calls for service. There were 8 residential structure fires, 13 total structure fires, \$155,500 property loss. The changeover to NERIS has created issues with reporting. I was assured that it will be resolved shortly.

Mutual Aid: 1

Employee recognition:

Personnel:

DC David Simard's last shift was 2/26/2026. We wish Dave well in his retirement after 39 years of service!

FF Sanchez remains off duty due to injury

Kayla Janick resigned from the Fire Department

Justin Tomlin doing well at the CFA and has been named Platoon Leader

Apparatus/equipment:

Engine 3 remains out of service with engine computer issue

Stations and Facilities:

Station 3 construction nearly complete, CO pending some minor repairs. Move in date TBD.

Meetings and Public Functions:

Monthly meeting with Staff and FMO

Presented the Department's Capital Budget request to the Board of Finance-\$3,000,000 to renovate Fire Headquarters and \$12,000,000 to construct a Fire and Police Joint Training



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RICHARD HART
FIRE CHIEF

facility. \$250,000 was approved for the design of the renovation. \$2,000,000 was approved for land acquisition and design for the training facility.

Received \$3,150,000 check from Congressman Larson for the Fire and Police Training Facility

Attended Family Fun Day planning meeting

Attended Career Chiefs meeting. Interesting conversation and presentation by CTIC and the recent cyberattack on New Britain and Meriden

Conducted tour of Station 3 for Parks Superintendent Josh Medeiros

Attended Station 3 contractor meeting

Attended meeting at DPW to discuss winter storm responses

Attended press conference in Hartford regarding recruitment and retention legislation

Conducted tour of new Station 3 for the Forestville Village Association

Met with Board of Finance members and Mayor to discuss budget and the potential hiring of 16 firefighters to staff the new ladder truck

Met with State Fire Administrator regarding training facility

Miscellaneous:

None

Respectfully submitted,

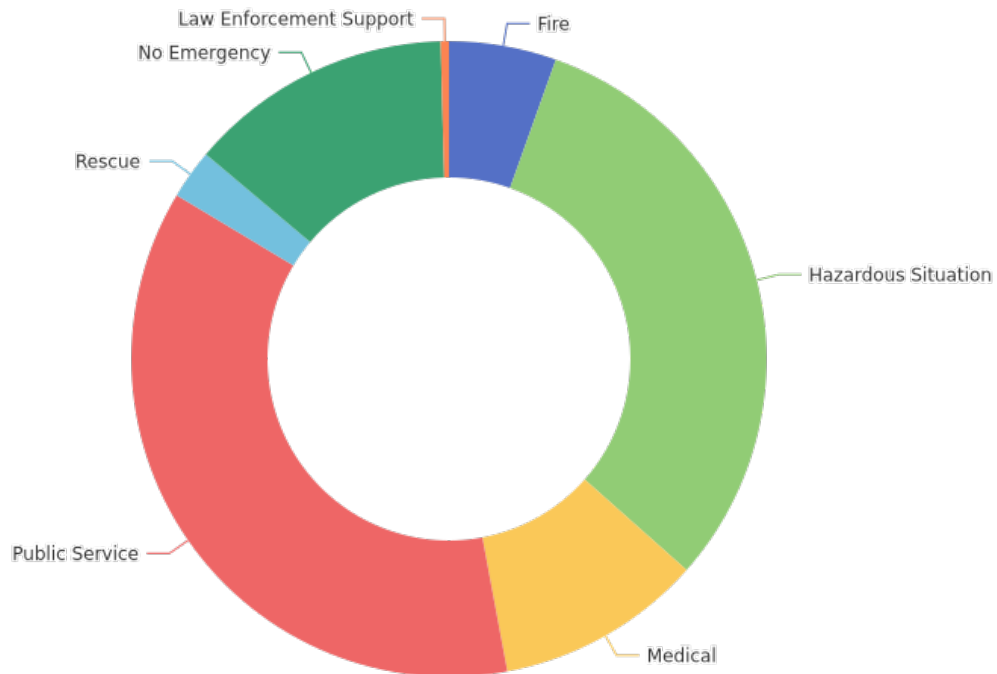
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Richard Hart

Fire Chief



FDR-IR: Incident Count by Primary Incident Type



PRIMARY INCIDENT GROUP / PRIMARY INCIDENT TYPE	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Fire	13	5.46%
Fire - Outside Fire - Other Outside Fire	1	0.42%
Fire - Structure Fire - Structural Involvement	4	1.68%
Fire - Structure Fire - Room and Contents Fire	3	1.26%
Fire - Structure Fire - Confined Cooking / Appliance Fire	1	0.42%
Fire - Structure Fire - Chimney Fire	2	0.84%

FDR-IR: Incident Count by Primary Incident Type

Bristol FD
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PRIMARY INCIDENT GROUP / PRIMARY INCIDENT TYPE	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Fire - Transportation Fire - Vehicle Fire - Passenger	2	0.84%
Hazardous Situation	74	31.09%
Hazardous Situation - Hazard Non-Chemical - Electrical Power Line Down / Arching / Malfunction	7	2.94%
Hazardous Situation - Hazard Non-Chemical - Electrical Hazard / Short Circuit	1	0.42%
Hazardous Situation - Hazard Non-Chemical - Motor Vehicle Collision	24	10.08%
Hazardous Situation - Hazardous Materials - Fuel Spill / Fuel Odor	3	1.26%
Hazardous Situation - Hazardous Materials - Gas Leak / Gas Odor	17	7.14%
Hazardous Situation - Hazardous Materials - Carbon Monoxide Release	7	2.94%
Hazardous Situation - Hazardous Materials - Hazardous Material Release (Chemical from Fixed Facility)	2	0.84%
Hazardous Situation - Investigation - Odor	7	2.94%
Hazardous Situation - Investigation - Smoke Investigation	6	2.52%
Medical	25	10.50%
Medical - Illness - Overdose / Poisoning	1	0.42%
Medical - Illness - Well Person Check	3	1.26%
Medical - Injury / Trauma - Fall	2	0.84%
Medical - Injury / Trauma - Motor Vehicle Collision	19	7.98%

FDR-IR: Incident Count by Primary Incident Type

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PRIMARY INCIDENT GROUP / PRIMARY INCIDENT TYPE	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Public Service	87	36.55%
Public Service - Citizen Assist - Person In Distress	6	2.52%
Public Service - Citizen Assist - Citizen Assist / Service Call	36	15.13%
Public Service - Citizen Assist - Lift Assist	2	0.84%
Public Service - Alarms (Non Medical) - Fire / Smoke Alarm	25	10.50%
Public Service - Alarms (Non Medical) - CO Alarm	5	2.10%
Public Service - Alarms (Non Medical) - Other Alarm	9	3.78%
Public Service - Disaster / Weather - Damage Assessment	3	1.26%
Public Service - Other - Move-up	1	0.42%
Rescue	6	2.52%
Rescue - Structure - Elevator / Escalator Rescue	2	0.84%
Rescue - Transportation (Land) - Motor Vehicle Collision Extrication / Entrapment	4	1.68%
No Emergency	32	13.45%
No Emergency - False Alarm - Intentional False Alarm	3	1.26%
No Emergency - False Alarm - Malfunctioning Alarm	8	3.36%
No Emergency - False Alarm - Accidental Alarm	7	2.94%
No Emergency - False Alarm - Other False Call	1	0.42%
No Emergency - Good Intent - No Incident Found Upon Arrival / Location Error	6	2.52%

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PRIMARY INCIDENT GROUP / PRIMARY INCIDENT TYPE	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
No Emergency - Good Intent - Smoke From Nonhostile Source (Smoke Scare)	1	0.42%
No Emergency - Good Intent - Investigate Hazardous Release (Nothing Found)	1	0.42%
No Emergency - Cancelled	5	2.10%
Law Enforcement Support	1	0.42%
Law Enforcement Support	1	0.42%
Total	238	100.00%

Tower 1 Monthly Report February 2026

Summary

Tower 1 responded to 84 calls for service in February.

Personnel

Training:

- Members conducted in house training on the ladder truck and continue to gain proficiency.

- Nothing to report.

Breakdown of Calls:

Due to the changeover to the national reporting system, I was unable to get an accurate response breakdown this month.

Apparatus/Equipment

- We continue to use Ladder 2 in place of Tower 1. There are still a few minor warranty problems that need to be fixed by Firematic Supply such as an improperly vented fuel tank and an intermittent squeaking noise from the engine compartment.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- Nothing to report.

Miscellaneous

- Nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted,
James Plaster
Captain
Tower 1

Engine Company 1

Monthly Report

February, 2026

Summary

Engine 1 Personnel responded to 119 calls for service, which included three structure fires.

Breakdown of Calls:

11 - Fire (9.3%)
0 - Rescue / EMS (0%)
23 - Hazardous Condition (19.4%)
54 - Calls for Service (45.4%)
0 - Good Intent (0%)
31 - False Alarm / False Call (27.8%)
YTD –262 calls

Training:

Ice rescue

Bloodborne

Infection control

Promotional study

Personnel. None

Apparatus/Equipment

- E1 Knox Box antenna broken repaired.
- E1 chest waders replaced due to leaking.
- 1 length 1 ¾" hose damaged at Summer Street fire.
- Engine 1 strap holding spare foam repaired by actin FET

Perrault.

- Engine 1-02 SCBA out for repair.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- Headquarters snow blower repaired by acting FET Perrault.

Miscellaneous

Notable calls. Engine 1 second due to 261 Perkins Street for a fatal house fire.

Engine 1 first due to 78 Summer Street fire with 8 adults and one infant displaced.

Engine 1 first due to 308 Summer Street for a basement fire.

Respectfully submitted, Captain, Thomas Scully

Engine Company 2

Monthly Report

February, 2026

Summary

Station 2 Personnel responded to 55 calls for service and performed 6 company area surveys in February. Engine 2 members participated in annual blood borne pathogen training as well as an Ice rescue refresher at Birge pond.

Breakdown of Calls:

7 - Fire (14.63%)
8 - Rescue / EMS (12.2%)
9 - Hazardous Condition (14.63%)
4 - Calls for Service (7.32%)
6 - Good Intent (9.76%)
21 - False Alarm / False Call (41.46%)
YTD – 115 calls

Personnel

February Training:

- Blood Borne

- Ice rescue

- Promotional Study

There were no personnel changes during the month of February at station 2.

Apparatus/Equipment

- There were no issues with Engine 2.
- Brush 1 plow taken out of service. Plow side attachment points failed during snow storm.
- There were no issues with the rescue boat.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- Public works was in to fix the toilet that was loose and leaking.
- We are currently having issues with wolf spiders in the station. Orkin will be notified.

Miscellaneous

- Engine 2 received additional station supplies.
- Our two new hires started the academy. Good luck to them both.
- Promotional study continues on all shifts.

Respectfully submitted,

Acting Captain, Steven Barnosky

Engine Company 3

Monthly Report

February, 2026

Summary

Station 3 Personnel responded to 65 calls for service this month. This was busy month for fire department. Engine 3 responded to 4 structure fires, 2 chimney fires an elevator rescue and an MVA with entrapment.

February's Training:

Ice rescue
Traffic Safety
Company level training
Promotional study

Breakdown of Calls:

7- Fire
18 - Rescue / EMS
7- Hazardous Condition
15- Calls for Service
6- Good Intent
12- False Alarm / False Call (31.34%)
- Special Incident/ In progress
YTD – 140 calls

Personnel

- No Changes

Apparatus/Equipment

- Engine 6 went out of service for ABS light.
- We are using spare engine 7.
- Engine 3 is still out of service.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- Electrical plug in E6's bay went bad.

Miscellaneous

- The snow blower broke but has since been repaired.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Henderson

Captain Craig Henderson
Bristol Fire Dept. Engine 3

Engine Company 4

Monthly Report

February 2026

Summary Engine 4 responded to 81 calls for service in the month of February.

Personnel Congratulations to Lieutenant Gary Buzzell,

February Training:

- Bloodborne Pathogens

- Cold water/ Ice rescue

- Promotional Exam study

Firefighter John Stankus, Firefighter Ryan Blaney of Station 4 and other members of the Bristol Fire

Breakdown of Calls:

1 Fire 7 (8.6%)
2 Hazardous Situation 23 (28.4%)
3 Medical 10 (12.4%)
4 Public Service 24 (29.6%)
5 Rescue 4 (4.9%)
6 No Emergency 13 (16.1%)
7 Law enforcement Support 0 (0%)

Department for recognition by the Bristol Board of Fire Commissioners and a job well done at the Mitchell St. fire.

On February 9, Firefighter Donald Perrault began his appointment as facilitator for equipment and apparatus repairs until a replacement is found for The Fire Equipment Technician position. Bloodborne Pathogen annual refresher training was completed for all members of Station 4. B-shift received Cold water/ Ice rescue training. The remaining shifts will receive the training as weather permits.

Eligible members of Station 4 are studying for upcoming Lieutenant, Captain, and Deputy Chief promotional exams.

Apparatus/ Equipment

- Engine 4 was taken out of service. H&H Equipment Service replaced 4 leaking coolant hoses. The rear brake shoes were also replaced on Engine 4.
- Engine 4 used Engine 7 while Engine 4 was out for service.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- MES serviced the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) air filling station.
- Overhead door inspected and serviced Engine 4's bay door at Station 4.

Miscellaneous

- Engine 4 assisted Emergency Management Director Harley Graime at Green Hills School with the Student Tools for Emergency Planning (STEP) program. Engine 4 covered the fire safety module with the students.

Respectfully submitted,

Captain

Scott McKearney

Scott McKearney

ENGINE COMPANY #5

MONTHLY REPORT

FEBRUARY 2026

SUMMARY

Engine Company #5 responded to 80 Calls for Service in the month of February 2026. Calls for Service breakdown is unavailable at the time of this report through First Due.

PERSONNEL

No personnel changes occurred during the month of February 2026. All Groups remained the same. During the month FF James Pavelchak from C Group, and his wife Kaitlin, welcomed a healthy baby girl. Adeline Louise Pavelchak. Mother and Daughter are both doing extremely well. I would like to congratulate them both on behalf of Station #5.

APPARATUS/EQUIPMENT

Engine #5 had no immediate issues that needed to be addressed during the month of February. There are still a few issues that will remain until the position of Fire Equipment Technician is permanently. They are not issues that are detrimental to the operation of the apparatus. Engine #5 remains in a full operational state of readiness.

Engine #8 was out of service for approximately one week for warning codes that developed. It was sent out to Gowans and Knight by Chief Hart. The issues were temporarily fixed but at the time of this report the same warning codes resurfaced. Gowans and Knight was contacted and assured that the apparatus is okay to use. Engine #8 also in a state of readiness as spare.

FIRE STATIONS/FACILITIES

The ongoing issues with the pilot lights remaining lit has by resolved by Dave Oakes. All pilot lights were replaced and some other minor issues were corrected by the repair technician. Everything seems to be working fine. The front heater on the apparatus floor was also addressed by AirTemp. The thermostat was not communicating with the heater. Thermostat has been replaced again and seems to be working just fine as well. The two circulator pumps in the boiler room are starting to act up again and should probably be replaced all together. Dave Oakes notified and the outcome is still pending. Station #5 snowblower was also in desperate need of repair from this incredibly tough Winter season. It was sent out to City True Value and repaired for the time being. It still having issues and will need to be replaced in the very near future.

SURVEYS

Due to the incredible Winter season to this point no surveys were performed during the month of February 2026. As soon as temperatures allow they will continue.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nothing to report at this time.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

CAPTAIN BRIAN D'AMATO

**CITY OF BRISTOL FIRE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL
MONTHLY REPORT**

February 2026



Kristopher Lambert

Kristopher Lambert, Fire Marshal

**CITY OF BRISTOL FIRE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL
MONTHLY REPORT
February 2026**



TO: City of Bristol Fire Board Members
FROM: Kristopher Lambert, Fire Marshal
SUBJECT: Monthly Report – February 2026

INCIDENTS

There were two hundred thirty-eight (238) incidents for this month that required computer-generated reports communicated to the State Fire Marshal's Office and NERIS. There were four (4) investigation(s) of fire/explosions by this office. Total estimated property loss for the period is \$161,900 dollars.

261 Perkins St.
78 Summer St.
308 Woodland St.
12 Farmington Ave.

There were two (2) civilian injury(s), and zero (0) Firefighter injury (ies) reported during this period. There were zero (0) mutual aid call(s) given/received within the month. A copy of the cumulative monthly inspection reviews and permits account is included with this report.

REVIEWS, MEETINGS, MISC.

- Private Hydrants – Fifty-four (54) reported as having been tested for the year and all fifty-four (54) hydrants are compliant. This represents twenty-point four percent (23.7%) of the total number of private hydrants within the municipality.
- Thirty-two (32) plans for new construction, occupancy changes, and renovations were reviewed. Some of the plans included electrical and mechanicals, including Fire Alarm and Fire Sprinkler systems. Site plan drawings are also included. Coordination and consultation regarding plan review are ongoing with other city agencies.
- Employees of the Fire Marshal's Office attended two (2) formal Site Plan Committee meetings this month to coordinate details for future Plan Review submittals in the City of Bristol. Approximately thirty-five (35) other site meetings attended by staff were conducted with business/property owners.

- There were approximately one hundred twenty (120) Fire Prevention Bureau business related calls managed by the staff this month.
- Approximately twelve (12) visitors were received at our office to speak with Fire Marshal Personnel.
- The office has shifted its focus slightly in order to assist with the Code Enforcement Committee's aggressive pursuit of substantial code compliance within the city. This approach has proven to be beneficial from an efficiency standpoint with regards to us gaining legal access to the properties for inspections.

TRAINING CLASSES

- Staff of the Fire Marshal's Office earned five (5) hour(s) of continuing education credits this month.

INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS **

- 27 Apartment Building Inspections (96 units) **
- 6 Assembly Occupancy Inspections
- 11 Automatic Sprinkler System Inspections
- 1 Blasting Permit(s) Issued
- 5 Business Occupancy Inspections
- 4 Certificate of Compliance
- 14 Complaint Inspections
- 1 Day Care Inspections
- 1 Educational Inspection
- 11 Fire Alarm Inspections
- 3 Fire Investigations
- 0 Gasoline Station Inspection / LP Tanks
- 3 Health Care / Nursing Home / Group Home Inspections
- 0 Hood & Duct Inspections
- 0 Hotel / Dorm
- 1 Industrial / Storage Inspections
- 0 Liquor License Inspections
- 3 Mercantile Inspections
- 1 Modification Application(s)
- 0 Recreation/Summer Camp
- 0 Residential Board / Care
- 4 Special Amusement/Assembly Inspection
- 0 Tent Inspections

****** In larger residential occupancies, where the building construction is modular in design and contains similar apartments with like layouts and amenities, representative apartments are chosen at random to determine compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code (CSFSC) and the Connecticut State Fire Prevention Code (CSFPC). With smaller occupancies, we do commonly enter as many units as possible where access is granted and time permits. The corresponding figures represent the number of occupancies and the total number of units affected by the inspection. *In order to achieve our statutory inspection requirements, I strongly recommend increasing the number certified personnel in this office to eight (8). There has been a significant increase in the number of residential units within this city to support the need for additional personnel within this office. While the number of residential units has increased over the years, the staff of this office has not.*

OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL STAFF VEHICLES

Fire 3 - 2013 Ford Explorer - White
Fire 4 - 2012 Ford Escape – Gray
Fire 5 - 2011 Dodge Grand Caravan - White
Fire 6 - 2013 Ford Expedition - Red

Mileage and fuel usage reports are generated automatically and submitted by the mechanic.

FDR-IR: Incident Count by Primary Incident Sub Group

This report summarizes incident count and percent of total by the primary incident group and sub group (NERIS). Date range defaults to last calendar month, date range can be edited by clicking "edit" on the filter box in the upper right corner.

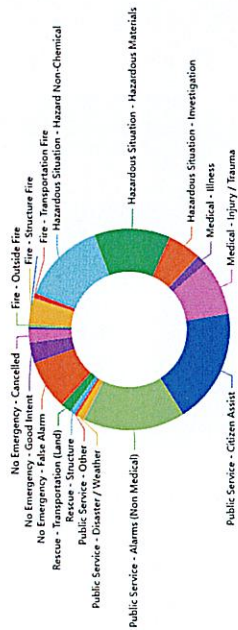
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Primary Incident Group / Primary Incident Sub Group	Count	Percent of Total
Fire	13	5.46%
Fire - Outside Fire	1	0.42%
Fire - Structure Fire	10	4.20%
Fire - Transportation Fire	2	0.84%
Hazardous Situation	74	31.09%
Hazardous Situation - Hazard Non-Chemical	32	13.45%
Hazardous Situation - Hazardous Materials	29	12.18%
Hazardous Situation - Investigation	13	5.46%
Medical	25	10.50%
Medical - Illness	4	1.68%
Medical - Injury / Trauma	21	8.82%
Public Service	87	36.55%
Public Service - Citizen Assist	44	18.49%
Total	238	100.00%

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FDR-IR: Incident Count by Primary Incident Type

This report summarizes incident count and percent of total by the primary incident group and type (NEBIS). Date range default to last calendar month, date range can be edited by clicking "edit" on the filter box in the upper right corner.

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Primary Incident Group / Primary Incident Type		
Fire	3	100.00%
Fire - Structure Fire - Room and Contents Fire	3	100.00%

Total	3	100.00%
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Completed Fire Inspection Assignments Month of February 2026

Fire Inspector Hoyt

Fire Alarm Inspections - 2

Sprinkler Inspections - 3

Commercial Inspections

- Assembly -
- Business - 1
- Carnival -
- Day Care - 1
- Dormitories -
- Educational -
- Fire Drills -
- Fire Works/Special Effects-
- Group Home - 2
- Health Care –
- Industrial -
- Mercantile -
- Nursing Home - 1
- Residential Board and Care -
- Special Amusement/Assembly -
- Tent -
- Liquor License Inspections –
- Hood and Duct Inspections -
- Gas Station -
- LPG Point of Sale/Bulk Storage –
- Food Truck -

Residential Inspections

- Buildings- 4 @ Units- 9
- Fire Investigations – 3 Perkins/Farmington/Summer

Meetings- 3

Complaints- 2

Plan Reviews - 3

Modifications -

Blasting Permit -

FOIA Request-

Phone Messages/Calls – 32

Department Training –

Public Fire Education –

Continuing Education/CFI-

Completed Fire Inspection Assignments Month of February 2026 Fire Inspector Robotham

Fire Alarm Inspections - 4

Sprinkler Inspections - 4

Commercial Inspections -

Assembly -

Business - 1

Carnival -

Day Care - 1

Dormitories -

Educational -

Fire Drills -

Fire Works/Special Effects-

Group Home - 1

Health Care -

Industrial -

Mercantile - 2

Nursing Home - 1

Residential Board and Care - 1

Special Amusement/Assembly -

Tent -

Liqueur License Inspections -

Hood and Duct Inspections -

Gas Station -

LPG Point of Sale/Bulk Storage -

Residential Inspections – 7 Buildings 28 Units

Residential Completed Inspections -

Fire Investigations –

261 Perkins St. 2/7/26 Assist

308 Woodland St. 2/10/26 Primary

Meetings - 4

Complaints - 2

Plan Reviews - 3

Modifications - 1

Blasting Permit -

Phone Messages - 22

OEMD Training – 6 hours

Department Training –

Public Fire Education – 2 hours

Completed Fire Inspection Assignments Month of February 2026 Fire Inspector Yacovino

Fire Alarm Inspections - 1

Sprinkler Inspections - 2

Commercial Inspections -

Assembly - 3

Business -

Carnival -

Day Care -

Dormitories -

Educational –

Fire Drills -

Fire Works/Special Effects-

Group Home -

Health Care -

Industrial -

Mercantile -

Nursing Home -

Residential Board and Care -

Special Amusement/Assembly -

Tent -

Liqueur License Inspections -

Hood and Duct Inspections -

Gas Station -

LPG Point of Sale/Bulk Storage -

Residential Inspections- Buildings 13 @ 44 Units

Residential Completed Inspections -

Fire Investigations – 1

Meetings - 3

Complaints - 1

Plan Reviews - 5

Modifications -

Blasting Permit -

Phone Messages - 12

OEMD Training – 2

Department Training –

Public Fire Education –

Fire 6 - Actual Mileage – as of , Gallons –

Completed Fire Code Inspection Assignments Month of February 2026
Fire Marshal Lambert

Fire Alarm Inspections - 4

Sprinkler Inspections – 2

Standpipe Inspections - 1

Commercial Inspections:

Assembly - 3

Business - 3

Camps -

Complaints - 9

Day Care –

Dormitories -

Educational - 1

Fire Drills -

Fire Works/Special Effects -

Gas Station -

Group Home -

Health Care -

Hood and Duct Inspections -

Hotel -

Industrial - 1

Liquor License Inspections -

LPG Point of Sale/Bulk Storage –

Mercantile - 1

Nursing Home -

Residential Board and Care -

Special Amusement/Assembly – 1

Storage -1

Tent -

****Residential Inspections - Buildings 3 @ 15 Units**

Fire Investigations –

Meetings - 17

Certificate of Occupancy –

Certificate of Compliance - 4

Plan Reviews - 21

Modifications -

Blasting Permit - 1

Phone Calls/Messages - 33

OEDM Training -

Continuing Education Training - 3 hrs.



BRISTOL FIRE DEPARTMENT – TRAINING DIVISION
MONTHLY TRAINING REPORT
FEBRUARY 2026

Summary

The BFD Training Division had a productive month supporting its mission to provide a productive and efficient training environment. This month, members participated in a number of offerings including the completion of annual refreshers in Infectious Control, Bloodborne Pathogen Training, and Cold-Water Emergencies, amassing over 50 hours of classroom instruction coupled with weekly practical skill evaluations and company-level drills. The training division provided 8 deliveries for the department for each subject matter, twice each shift day to cover all four shift cycles. The frigid temperatures and snowy conditions this month made for challenging outdoor drills, but ultimately the members persevered. The cold water/ice training drills allowed members to work on perishable skills to provide confidence and expertise in their skillset. Members continued through their final planned month of orientation and operation familiarity with our newest apparatus (L2), once again utilizing its capabilities at multiple incidents. Ladder 2's versatility continues to prove its worth as a welcome addition to the department's future. BFD members navigated a busy month of training, answering emergencies, and combatting inclement weather challenges. Once again, time management was essential, with all firefighters and officers doing a reputable job.

Training Highlights

Continued Orientation of Ladder 2

Objective: Company level competency on operation and use of L2 (month 4)

Infectious Control/Bloodborne Pathogen Refresher

Objective: Members participated in the annual refresher of Infectious Control and Bloodborne Pathogens. This OSHA mandated training (*29 CFR 1910 1030 Bloodborne Pathogens*) is required annually and educates members on occupational exposures regarding skin, eye, mucous membrane, or parenteral contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials that may result from their performance of duties. This continuing education follows up last month's training on the BFD's Hazardous Communication Plan. This plan includes the employee's 'right-to-know' information within the workplace and surroundings. Through this training, members reviewed and were evaluated on PPE, HBV vaccinations, post-exposure policies and procedures, and record maintenance.

Ice Rescue

Members began annual cold water/ice rescue training. Shifts began rotating through Birge Pond performing evolutions to simulate rescue scenarios. Training will continue through February and early March as weather and ice conditions permit.

Probationary Firefighter (PFF) Orientation

PFF Justin Tomlin will spend the next 16 weeks undergoing instruction and evaluation as part of the *Connecticut Fire Academy - Recruit Class 77*. PFF Tomlin has been chosen by his peers to be the Platoon Leader for the class. As Platoon Leader, PFF Tomlin has the added responsibilities of program communications and order between the 35 other recruits and class administrators. We look forward to his successful completion of the program.

Facility Utilization

Training Classroom – The classroom continues to serve both internal (BFD, Contracted Instructors) and external (private instruction, BPD, CERT, etc) logistical needs. City IT completed the classroom upgrade with the installation of a new module to assist in the connectivity of the classroom computer and the presentation televisions. This has been a much-needed improvement to classroom instruction.

Training Grounds – Looking forward to the snowfall dissipating over the coming weeks, allowing members to actively use the grounds once again.

Challenges

On-duty Logistics – Logistics of shift/fire company availability make for a challenging training session when on-duty companies respond to emergencies.

Staffing – Repeated challenges to fulfill mandated and intended instructional opportunities with minimal staffing (1) of the Training Division. Supplemental efforts are made to hire certified departmental instructors to assist in the delivery of classes that require a span of control (student/instructor ratio) that promotes a safe and effective environment.

Budget – Budgetary improvements; the request for increased funding (2026/2027) reflects the need for member's continuing education and career opportunities.

Looking Forward ...

Instruction

- Annual Incident Command Refresher (8 deliveries)
- Continued creation/implementation of Probationary FF guide
- Cold Water/Ice Rescue training
- Lesson Plan development for UTV Safety Class
- Wildfire/Brush equipment refresher

Scheduling

PFF CFA – Recruit Class 77 (February 09, 2026 – May 20, 2026)

Incident Command (March 23 - 27)

Cold Water/Ice Rescue (weather permitting)

UTV Safety Class – April 2026

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D.K. Freimuth', is written over a horizontal line.

Derek K. Freimuth

Captain, Bristol Fire Department Training Division

Bristol Fire Department

Mechanical Division Monthly Report

February 2026

Engine 1

- Strap for holding Foam buckets repaired

Engine-3

- Remains O.O.S.

Engine-4

- 4 Coolant Lines replaced -H&H Equipment Services
- Rear Brake shoes replaced -H&H Equipment Services
- Oil and filter change- H&H Equipment Services

Training Officer Car

- Driver rear tire plugged -Tire Depot
- Driver rear tire sensor replaced -Tire Depot

Spare Deputy Car

- Windshield wipers replaced

Miscellaneous

- Headquarters, Engine 5, Engine 3- Snowblower repairs- City True value
- UTV and Trailer pick-up and Delivery
- Ordered new Sensit meter Calibration gas
- Put together new Sensit Calibration station
- Plowed snow for snowstorm- 2-22,2-23

Respectfully Submitted by

Donald Perrault

Interim Equipment Technician

Richard Hart

Chief of Department

Minor repairs needed to apparatus fleet

Engine 1-

Driver rear door weather stripping missing

Officer rear door handle is tight to open

Engine 2-

Passenger rear seatbelt fraying

Ground light under pump panel bracket is broke. Light on Mech. Toolbox

Pass. Large Diameter discharge leaking by

Pump radio stays on after truck shut off

Driver rear door window crank broke

Engine 3-

Motor sensor-on order

Engine 4-

Wheel weights on inter rear rims missing both sides

Engine 5-

Mobile radio stays on all the time

Engine 6-

Watching upper radiator hose for wear from hood latch

Discharge#3 pump gauge not working stuck at 100 psi

Jake brake working intermittently.

Engine 7-

On spot chains- Bearings need to be looked at

Driver side turn signal not working

Pass. Rear turn light hazard flash not working

Transmission light came on- may need filter

Engine 8-

Datcon dash light came on- not on when checked (3-3-26)

Tower 1-

Driver door window out of alignment

Tower 2-

Turntable pass side railing loose

Scene light pole bent pass side cab

Front outrigger light is out

Air Dryer leaking

Power steering needs fluid top off

Ladder 2-

Fuel vent not venting properly

Exhaust rattling under truck

Compartment doorlatch loose Pass side 1 and 2

Fold down seat, alarm sounding when nobody in seat

Low Coolant alarm- needs top off

Fire 2-

Issue with lights and siren stop working while on

Needs Service: Oil change and filters

Fire 3-

Needs service: Oil change and filters

Headlight housing melting

Belt squealing

Fire 4-

Needs service: Oil change and filters

Fire 5-

Needs service: Oil change and filters

Inspect and correct loose air intake on motor

Fire 6-

Needs service: Oil change and filters

Brush 1-

New Plow or truck needed

Right rear strobe light out

Needs service: oil change and filters

DC spare-

Rear window wiper

Driver side wiper

Needs service: oil change and filters

Training-

Steering needs attention, turns hard no power steering

Needs service: oil change and filters

Spare Expedition-

Command Van-

Service 1-

Needs service: oil change and filters

UTV-

*All apparatus needs Yearly PM'S

Engine 4: PM done 2-27-26

Repairs needed to Department Equipment

Headquarters

Eng 1:

Lad 2: broken grounding plug on PPV fan

Tow 1: Bottle jack leaking fluid

Sup 1: Both gas pumps need attention

Pump 1: broken impeller

Broken pull cord

Pump 2: running rough

Engine 2

Eng 2: Front lightbar

Gas water pump pull cord issue

Engine 3

Eng 3:

Engine 4

Eng 4: elec. Sub pump not working

Engine 5:

Eng 5: 1 ½ gated wye broken- on bench in Mech.