



*City of Bristol
Board of Fire Commissioners*

INFORMATION TO ACCESS THIS MEETING

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The regular Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2025, at 6:00pm. in City Hall Council Chambers, 111 North Main Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Public Participation
3. Employee Recognition
4. Communications
5. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Approval of the February 27, 2025 meeting minutes
6. Approval of Monthly Reports
 - a. Approval of the February monthly reports
7. Committee Reports
 - a. Fire Station 3 Building Committee
 - b. Personnel Committee
8. Old Business
 - a. Private fire hydrants update
9. New Business

- a. Thomaston Saving Bank grant request

10. Adjournment

PER ORDER OF THE CHAIRPERSON

Board of Fire Commissioners' Regular Meeting

February 27, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Thursday, February 27, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall, 111 N Main Street Bristol, CT

Present: Commissioners Sean Moore, Hal Kilby, Dana Jandreau, Joyce Ptak, and Anthony Benvenuto, Council Member Cheryl Thibeault, and Fire Chief Richard Hart.

Absent: Mayor Jeffrey Caggiano

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Moore at 6:00 pm.

2. Employee Recognition

- a. None.

3. Public Participation

- a. None

4. Communications

- a. Commissioner Jandreau was reappointed until January 2028.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- a. On motion of Commissioner Ptak and seconded by Commissioner Jandreau it was voted: To accept the January 23, 2025 meeting minutes. Following a voice vote in which there was no opposition, the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

6. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

- a. On motion of Commissioner Jandreau and seconded by Council Member Thibeault it was voted: To accept the January Monthly Reports. Following a voice vote in which there was no opposition, the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Chief Hart provided an update to the board on Fire Station 3. He shared that they are preparing to start with under slab plumbing and wiring. He stated the contractor is estimating they are about a month behind due to winter weather but is confident they will be able to make up time lost.

- b. Commissioner Jandreau on behalf of the Personnel Committee shared that Probationary Firefighter Ryan Blaney was sworn in and has started at the Connecticut Fire Academy.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Chief Hart gave an update on the Fiscal Year 2026 budget. He attended the Capital Improvement meeting where they discussed the renovation request of Fire Headquarters. The board will try and secure funds for a design and price estimation on the renovations project this coming fiscal year and readdress the following fiscal year.
- b. Chief Hart shared that he met for the mayor's budget review. He stated the budget was reduced after a request by the mayor to show purposed budget reductions of 2% and 5%. The Fire Department adjusted their budget to reflect only 8 new firefighters, leaving the new personnel request for 8 instead of 16 and to fill remaining vacancies with overtime. The removal of the 8 new hires and several other reductions resulted in a \$761,675.00 decrease from the originally submitted budget. The main budget increase is in wages where there is an additional staffing request, and a contractual 3.5% increase in wages. The board discussed the arrival of the new ladder, which is expected late fall, how to staff it given the current circumstances, and again addressed the potential to obtain a SAFER Grant to offset costs for staffing. Chief advised the budget hearing is on March 5th.
- c. Chief Hart advised the board that the Fire Marshal's office has been working to provide them an update on the private hydrants in the city. He shared that all owners of private hydrants received notice to test and provide documentation for proof of compliance. The city has an ordinance in place for the maintenance and upkeep on these private hydrants. Council Member Thibeault advised they will look at ordinances from other municipalities to compare against Bristol's for compliance.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Chief Hart shared that Engine 5 was in an accident involving icy conditions while responding to an overturned propane truck. The firefighters suffered relatively minor injuries considering. He stated the engine incurred an estimated \$100,000.00 in damages but noted that it could have been far worse given the circumstances, and commended the driver on making the best of a bad scenario.

10. ADJOURN

- a. On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Commissioner Ptak, it was voted: To adjourn the meeting at 6:38 pm. Following a voice vote in which there was no opposition, the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

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 27, 2025

To the Honorable Fire Commissioners;

The month of February saw the BFD respond to 263 calls for service. There were 7 residential structure fires, 7 total structure fires (\$3,000 est. property loss), 0 vehicle fires, 57 EMS, extrication/rescue, and 47 false alarms.

Mutual Aid: 3 given

Employee recognition:

None

Personnel:

Capt. Blaschke and FF Barry still on extended injury leave

PFF Blaney doing well at the CFA, named squad leader

Apparatus/equipment:

Engine 5 involved in MVA, damage appraised at 91,536.35 - \$1000 deductible = \$90,536.00. The tow invoice for \$1354.53 which is included in the payment. Total payment \$91,890.53

Engine 1 had motor issues, scheduled to go to Cummins Diesel for repairs

Ladder 2 specification finalized

New Engine 1 specification finalized and closed for production. Tentative final inspection date: April 25, 2025

Pictures of the new Engine 1 fabrication included in the packet



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OFFICE OF THE FIRE CHIEF
RICHARD HART
FIRE CHIEF

Stations and Facilities:

Prebid meeting to replace cooking at headquarters

CIP placed Headquarters remodel/design on hold. Hopefully money will free up to fund design portion

Meetings and Public Functions:

Biweekly meetings with contractor taking place, construction delayed due to snow and ice, but there is enough cushion built in to get back on track for a 4th quarter/1st quarter completion date

Met with Tom Conlin, Corporation Counsel regarding an ethical issue with a towing company

Met with the Mayor, Commissioners, and BOF liaison regarding staffing of new ladder truck

Met with Parks Superintendent to discuss strategic planning

Zoom meeting with First Due to discuss modifications and updates to our scheduling software

EOC meeting to discuss cold weather protocols and City readiness

Met with Mayor, Comptroller and staff, along with BOF Chair Dave Maikowski to discuss budget

Attended Salvation Army's Breakfast and the Department received a Certificate of Appreciation for the work done by the Department to help the Salvation Army

Miscellaneous: Nothing

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Hart".

Richard Hart

Fire Chief



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RICHARD HART
FIRE CHIEF

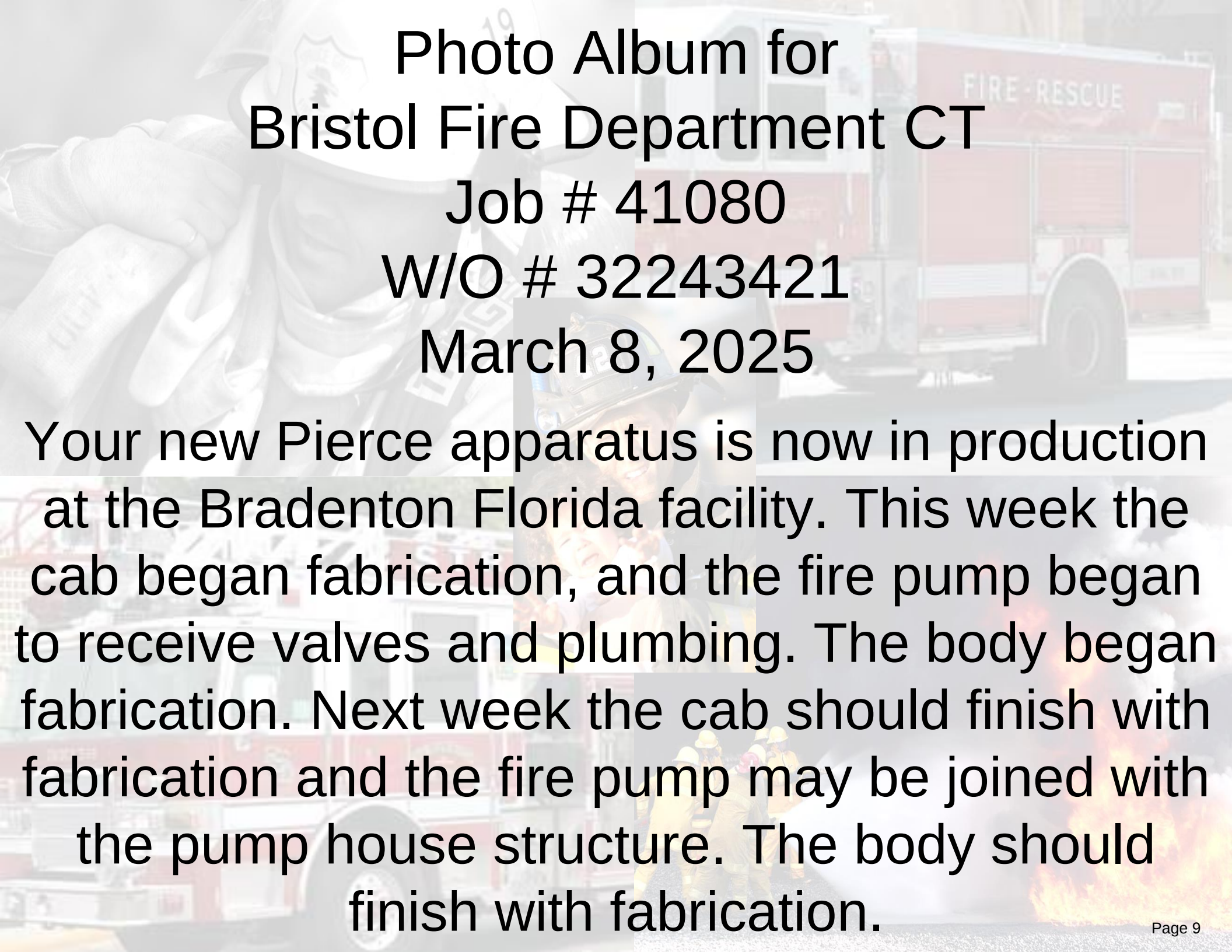


Photo Album for Bristol Fire Department CT

Job # 41080

W/O # 32243421

March 8, 2025

Your new Pierce apparatus is now in production at the Bradenton Florida facility. This week the cab began fabrication, and the fire pump began to receive valves and plumbing. The body began fabrication. Next week the cab should finish with fabrication and the fire pump may be joined with the pump house structure. The body should finish with fabrication.



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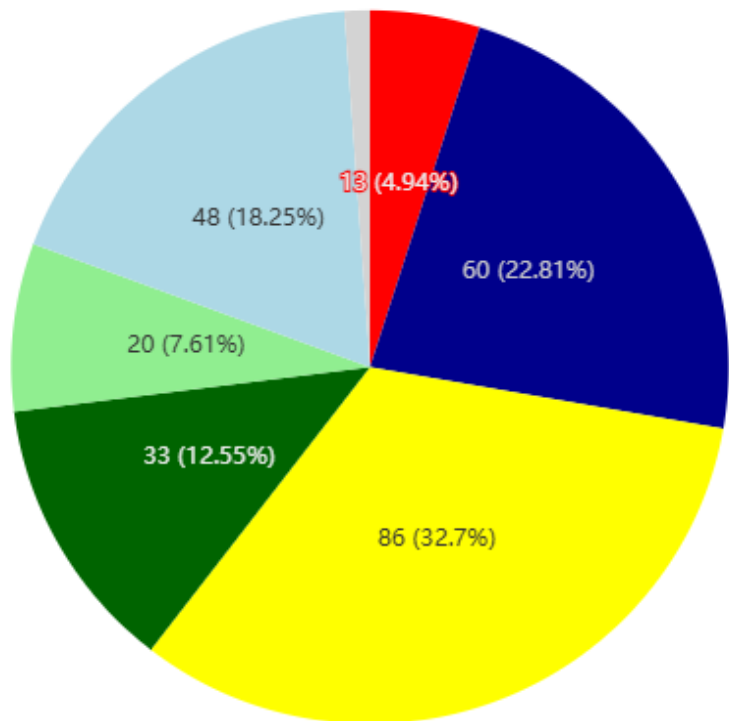


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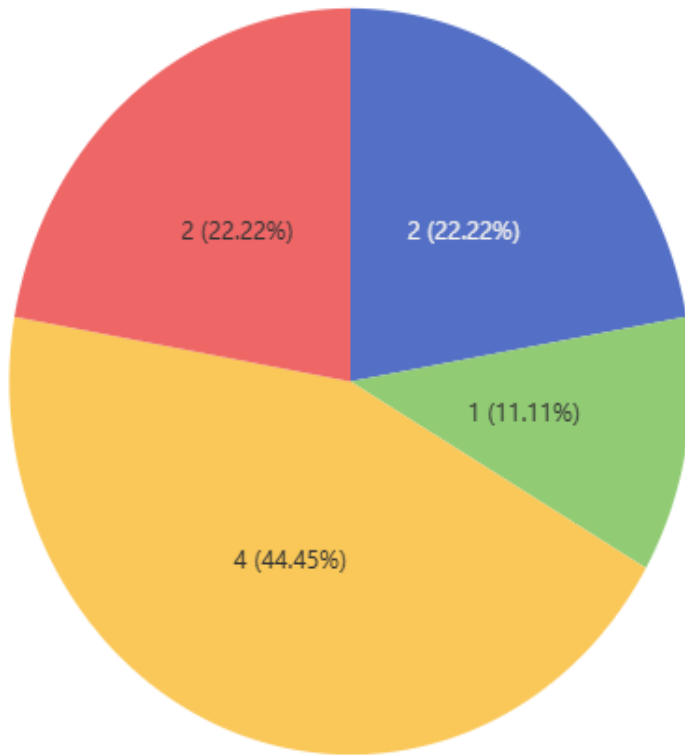
Total (263)



Incident Type Series

- 1 - Fire
- 3 - Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident
- 4 - Hazardous Condition (No Fire)
- 5 - Service Call
- 6 - Good Intent Call
- 7 - False Alarm & False Call
- None / In Progress

Total (9)



Incident Type Minor

- 111 - Building fire
- 112 - Fires in structure other than in a building
- 113 - Cooking fire, confined to container
- 116 - Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire confined

Tower 1 Monthly Report February 2025

Summary

Tower 1 responded to 79 calls for service in February.

Personnel

Training:
- Members conducted in hose training

- Nothing to report.

Breakdown of Calls:

9 - Fire (11.39%)
14 - Rescue / EMS (17.72%)
11 - Hazardous Condition (13.93%)
2 - Calls for Service (2.53%)
7 - Good Intent (8.86%)
35 - False Alarm / False Call (44.3%)
YTD – 157 calls

Apparatus/Equipment

- Tower 1 was sent out to Atlantic Detroit for a recall on a

transmission part.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- The several plowable storms we've had this year have further damaged the ramps and parking lots of the firehouse. All of the asphalt is in need or replacement.

Miscellaneous

- Nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted,
James Plaster
Captain
Tower 1

Engine Company 1

Monthly Report

February, 2025

Summary

Engine 1 Personnel responded to 127 calls for service increase in calls for downed electrical wires due to recent snow storm with ice.

Breakdown of Calls:

9 - Fire (7.1%)
4 - Rescue / EMS (3.1%)
28 - Hazardous Condition (22%)
42 - Calls for Service (33.1%)
3 - Good Intent (2.4%)
41 - False Alarm / False Call (32.3%)
YTD –250 calls

Personnel

February Training:

- Confined space.

- electrical emergencies

None to report

Apparatus/Equipment

- Engine 1 Air primer for the fire pump repaired by Firematic.
- Engine 1 sent to Cummins for repair of engine problems.
- Engine 1 windshield wiper replaced.
- Engine 6 air brake line repaired while in service with Engine 1.
- Engine 1 returned to service and new tires were installed.
- Engine 1 has a class 2 Diesel fuel leak from supply lines to be repaired soon.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- Pre Bid meeting for hood replacement done February 12 1000 at Fire Headquarters.
- Dishwasher serviced after a blocked drain line occurred.
- Treadmill repaired.

Miscellaneous None.

Respectfully submitted,
Captain, Thomas Scully

Engine Company 2

Monthly Report

February, 2025

Summary

Station 2 Personnel responded to 66 calls for service and performed 6 company area surveys in February. Engine 2 performed a walk through at Arett Sales and spoke to the Distribution manager about installing a new Knox box outside of their entrance.

Breakdown of Calls:

5 - Fire (16.67)
10 - Rescue / EMS (19.05%)
24 - Hazardous Condition (14.29%)
1 - Calls for Service (4.76%)
6- Good Intent (11.9%)
20 - False Alarm / False Call (33.33%)
YTD – 108 calls

Personnel

February Training:

- Ice Water Rescue review
- Hydrant training
- Physical Fitness

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

Apparatus/Equipment

- Engine 2 received new tires.
- There were no issues with brush 1.
- There were no issues with the rescue boat.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- Environmental services was at the station to inspect for mold and asbestos.
- Dave Oaks and Luis were at the station to evaluate the broken Plymovent pipe from snow damage.

Miscellaneous

- Orkin was in the station to reset traps.
- February was a cold month with snow and ice issues.
- Engine 2 personnel did a nice job keeping the driveway apron and sidewalks clean and dry.

Respectfully submitted,
Acting Captain, Steven Barnosky

Engine Company 3

Monthly Report

February, 2025

Summary

Station 3 Personnel responded to 67 calls for service this month. With the poor weather, members responded to a number of storm related calls. Engine also responded mutual aid twice to assist outside communities. Other notable calls included a building fire and two cooking fire that were contained before it spread.

December Training:

Confined space

Traffic Safety

Company level training

Health and wellness, physical fitness

Breakdown of Calls:

7- Fire (10.45%)

15 - Rescue / EMS (22.39%)

10- Hazardous Condition (14.39%)

5- Calls for Service (7.46%)

6- Good Intent (8.95%)

21- False Alarm / False Call (31.34%)

3- Special Incident/ In progress

YTD – 143 calls

Personnel

- No Changes

Apparatus/Equipment

- Engine 6 got its side view mirror repaired.
- Engine 3 gas meter went out for repair.
- E-3 front tires got rotated.
- E3-02 air pack is back from repair.
- Engine 6 was switched with Engine 7 to be housed at station 3.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- The stone wall out front was struck by a car again.

Miscellaneous

- Nothing to report

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Henderson

Captain Craig Henderson

Bristol Fire Dept. Engine 3

Engine Company 4

Monthly Report

February 2025

Summary Engine 4 responded to 78 calls for service in the month of February.

Personnel The second wave of Confined Space

February Training:

- Confine Space Technician

- Traffic Incident Management

- Bailout/Stand Pipe

- Wellness Training

Training was completed through the Connecticut Fire Academy (CFA) giving a total of 24 members the level of Confined Space Technician training. The DOT

Breakdown of Calls:

1 Fire 7 (78.98%)

2 Explosion 0 (0%)

3 Rescue/ EMS 16 (20.51%)

4 Hazardous condition 16 (20.51%)

5 Service Call 7 (8.98%)

6 Good Intent 7 (8.98%)

7 False Alarm 24 (30.77%)

8 Weather 0 (0%)

9 Special 0 (0%)

In progress 0 (0%)

provided some shifts with a traffic incident management class that will continue until all shifts receive the training. On C-Shift, some members performed bailout training and stand pipe training in the burn building. This was in an effort to allow some new members to use some equipment they have never used and to provide refresher training to veteran members. A-Shift members attended a wellness lecture by Sarah Beckert at HQ as she has been reaching different shifts over the last few months.

Apparatus/ Equipment

- Engine 6 returned to Station 4 as an in service spare.
- A gas powered chain saw was placed on Engine 4.

Fire Stations/Facilities

- United Diagnostic Services (UDS) completed cancer screening services to department members in the training room.
- Public Works Dept. replaced a towel paper dispenser in the kitchen and fixed a leaking water valve for the urinal.

Miscellaneous

- The HAMM radio club used the training classroom for their monthly meeting in January.
- An additional Engine company was hired to staff spare Engine 7 for a winter storm on the night of 2/16/25.

The Bristol Fire Department welcomed a new member to our ranks with the hiring of FF Ryan Blaney and members of C-shift on the evening of 2/5/25 attended his swearing in ceremony. It

has been a privilege to perform monthly reports under the direction of Captain McKearney as I am looking forward to serving this Department and community in a greater capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

Lieutenant

Adam Della Ventura

Adam Della Ventura

Reviewed by Captain McKearney.

Captain

Scott McKearney

Scott McKearney

ENGINE COMPANY #5

MONTHLY REPORT

FEBRUARY 2025

SUMMARY

Engine Company #5 responded to 76 Calls For Service in the month of February 2025. Calls for service breakdown is as follows:

4 – Fire 5.26%

20 – Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident 26.31%

22 – Hazardous Condition (No Fire) 28.95%

5 – Service Call 6.58%

5 – Good Intent Call 6.58%

19 – False Alarm & False Call 25%

PERSONNEL

Firefighter Stephanie Barry has been temporarily to Station #2 due to extended Injury Leave. She will be assigned to Lieutenant Michael Valenti and Firefighter Chris Stone on Group C. Her vacancy at Station #5 will be filled on a rotational basis per Deputy Chief Todd Correll.

APPARATUS/EQUIPMENT

The month of February was a very eventful month as far as Apparatus and Equipment go. On February 1, 2025 the new Pierce Engine #5 was involved in a serious accident during a response to a Propane Delivery Truck that had flipped over at the intersection of Sherwood and Falls Brook during icy conditions. Engine #5 lost the ability to brake due to a slide down Sherwood Rd in an attempt to stage a safe distance from the rolled over vehicle. Engine #5 slid into the underside of the propane truck causing significant damage to the front end. Engine #5 was sent to Firematic via heavy wrecker and was returned to Station #5 several days later to await damage reports from FET and Insurance Adjusters. At time of this report Engine #5 is still awaiting a decision on necessary repairs. As of now it is a waiting game to have the apparatus placed on a frame machine to get a better understanding of any underlying frame issues. Engine #5 is expected to be out of service for several more months. All three Department members on duty were sent to the Bristol Hospital via Ambulance to be evaluated for minor injuries. Thankfully all injuries were minor and members were able to return to full duty quickly.

Engine #8 has once again been placed into service until further notice and is not available as a spare Engine.

No new equipment was received or placed into service at Station #5.

FIRE STATIONS/FACILITIES

Station #5 had issues with the washing machine during the month requiring a service call from Fred's Appliance. It was determined that the machine was beyond repair and needed replacing. Thank You to Chief Hart for addressing and replacing in a timely manner. Station #5's House Radio was reprogrammed to have all Fire Incident Channels as well as a Scan feature to alleviate having to use portable radios to listen on calls for service. It has been received well by all members of this station and functions very well. Members can turn the Scan feature on and off as

desired. This makes it much easier for on duty staff to be able to listen in on what is happening within in the Bristol Fire Department at all times if so desired.

SURVEYS

Due to the severe cold weather that was experienced during the month of February and all that was required to put Engine #8 back in service as a front line apparatus, surveys were slow but crews did their best to get them done. Some of the properties that were visited were Birchwood Properties, Delfino Properties, Ocean State Job Lot, Walmart, Shop Rite, Northeast Middle School, Mountan View School.

MISCELLANEOUS

I would like to take a moment to congratulate Firefighter Eric Ouellete on completing his Probationary Period in the month of February. It has been a pleasure to get to know him as a person and to be able to watch him grow into becoming a Firefighter with the Bristol Fire Department. He is and will be an asset to this Department.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

CAPTAIN BRIAN D'AMATO

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

February 2025



Kristopher Lambert

Kristopher Lambert, Fire Marshal

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

February 2025



TO: City of Bristol Fire Board Members
FROM: Kristopher Lambert, Fire Marshal
SUBJECT: Monthly Report – February 2025

INCIDENTS

There were two hundred sixty three (263) incidents for this month that required computer-generated reports communicated to the State Fire Marshal's Office and FEMA. There was two (2) investigation(s) of fire/explosions by this office. Total estimated loss for the period is \$4,500 dollars.

140 Seneca Rd.
181 Davis Dr.

There were zero (0) civilian injury(s), and zero (0) Firefighter injuries reported during this period. There were four (4) 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.

- The interior of this office will remain closed to the public while all business will continue to be conducted electronically, or at the new customer service window.
- Twenty two (22) 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 is ongoing with other city agencies.
- The Fire Marshal's Office attended four (4) formal Site Plan Committee meetings this month to coordinate details for future Plan Review submittals in the City of Bristol. Approximately twenty five (25) other site meetings attended by staff were conducted with business/property owners.

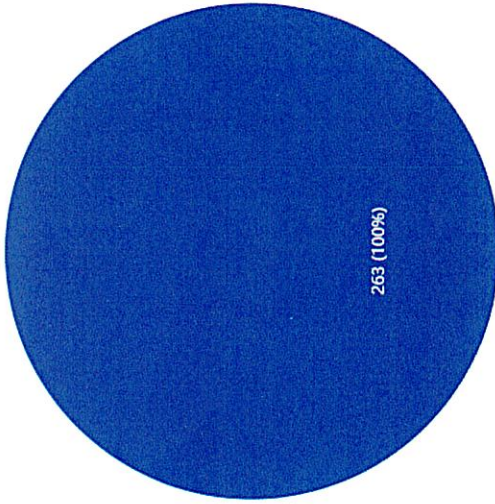
****** In larger residential occupancies, where the building construction is modular in design and contains similar apartments with like layouts and amenities, representative apartments are chosen at random to determine compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code (CSFSC) and the Connecticut 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.

Total (263)



263 (100%)



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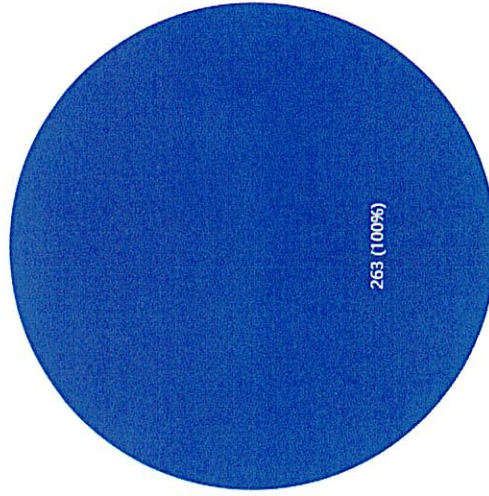
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Total (263)



263 (100%)



Incident Report

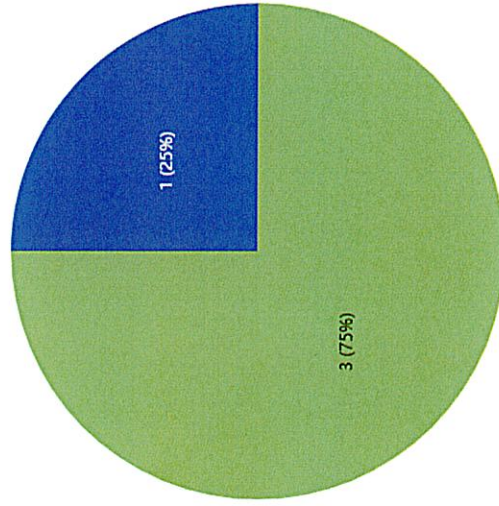
Report Type

Mutual Aid Summary

✕ Date Interval ✕



Total aid given and received (4)





 Dashboards

 Personnel

 Scheduling

 Response

 Pre-Planning

 Training

 Events & Activities

 Incident Documentation

 Assets

 Inspections

Incident Report

Report Type

Part II - Major Fires

 Date Interval 

Showing records 1 to 2 of 2

<u>Date</u>	<u>Property Use and Address</u>	<u>Number of Civilian Fire Deaths</u>	<u>Property Loss</u>
2025-02-28	181 DAVIS DR (Residential, other.)	0	1500
2025-02-23	140 SENECA RD (1- or 2-family dwelling, detached, manufactured home, mobile home not in transit, duplex.)	0	3000





Hydrants



Reports



Community Connect



Admin



Support



20

50

100

All



Completed Fire Inspection Assignments Month of February 2025

Fire Inspector Hoyt

Fire Alarm Inspections - 2

Sprinkler Inspections - 1

Commercial Inspections - 4

- Assembly -**
- Business -**
- Carnival -**
- Day Care - 1**
- Dormitories -**
- Educational -**
- Fire Drills -**
- Fire Works/Special Effects-**
- Group Home - 1**
- 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 - 1**

Residential Inspections-

Buildings- 3 @ Units- 9

Fire Investigations –

Meetings- 2

Complaints-

Plan Reviews - 2

Modifications -

Blasting Permit -

Phone Messages/Calls – 13

Department Training –

Public Fire Education –

Continuing Education/CFI- 4

Completed Fire Inspection Assignments Month of February 2025

Fire Inspector Robotham

Fire Alarm Inspections – 6

Sprinkler Inspections - 4

Commercial Inspections

Assembly -

Business -

Carnival -

Day Care - 1

Dormitories -

Educational - 1

Fire Drills -

Fire Works/Special Effects-

Group Home - 2

Health Care -

Industrial - 1

Mercantile -

Nursing Home -

Residential Board and Care - 2

Special Amusement/Assembly -

Tent -

Liqueur License Inspections -

Hood and Duct Inspections -

Gas Station -

LPG Point of Sale/Bulk Storage -

Residential Inspections

Bldgs 6 Units 18

Residential Completed Inspections -

Fire Investigations – 1

140 Seneca Rd – 2/23/25

Meetings - 7

Complaints -

Plan Reviews - 8

Modifications -

Blasting Permit -

Phone Messages - 15

OEMD Training – 4 hrs

Department Training – 1 hrs

Public Fire Education – 2 hrs

Completed Fire Inspection Assignments Month of February 2025

Fire Inspector Yacovino

Fire Alarm Inspections - 2

Sprinkler Inspections - 1

Commercial Inspections -

Assembly - 1

Business - 1

Carnival -

Day Care -

Dormitories -

Educational –

Fire Drills -

Fire Works/Special Effects-

Group Home -

Health Care -

Industrial -

Mercantile -

Nursing Home - 1

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 14 @ 58 Units

Residential Completed Inspections -

Fire Investigations -

Meetings - 7

Complaints - 3

Plan Reviews - 6

Modifications - 1

Blasting Permit -

Phone Messages - 19

OEMD Training –

Department Training –

Public Fire Education –

Fire 6 - Actual Mileage – as of , Gallons –

Completed Fire Code Inspection Assignments Month of February 2025 Fire Marshal Lambert

Fire Alarm Inspections - 2

Sprinkler Inspections – 3

Standpipe Inspections - 1

Commercial Inspections:

- Assembly - 2
- Business - 3
- Day Care – 1
- Camps -
- Dormitories -
- Educational - 1
- Fire Drills - 3
- Fire Works/Special Effects-
- Group Home -
- Health Care –
- Hotel -
- Industrial - 2
- Mercantile - 2
- Nursing Home -
- Residential Board and Care -
- Special Amusement/Assembly -
- Tent -
- Liquor License Inspections -
- Hood and Duct Inspections - 2
- Gas Station -
- LPG Point of Sale/Bulk Storage -

****Residential Inspections- Buildings 1@ 8 Units**

Fire Investigations - 1

Meetings - 28

Complaints - 12

Certificate of Occupancy – 1

Certificate of Compliance -

Plan Reviews - 17

Modifications -

Blasting Permit - 1

Phone Calls/Messages - 25

OEDM Training -

Continuing Education Training - 8 hrs.

BRISTOL FIRE DEPARTMENT – TRAINING DIVISION

Captain Todd Cutler – Acting Training Officer

MONTHLY TRAINING REPORT

January 2025

February Summary

The Bristol Fire Department Training Division remained active throughout February, balancing essential training sessions with critical administrative tasks. This month saw continued efforts in technical rescue training, traffic incident management, and winter operational readiness. Additionally, significant time was dedicated to managing facility use, coordinating with external agencies, and preparing future training initiatives.

Training Highlights

Ice Rescue Practical Skills

Focus: Practical hands-on training to enhance firefighter proficiency in ice-related emergencies.

Objective:

- Conducted training on February 6-7 for personnel to reinforce critical cold-water rescue techniques.
- Trained members in deploying ice rescue tools, including sleds, ropes, and harnesses.
- Emphasized safety measures and team coordination during ice rescue scenarios.

AFG Confined Space Class

Focus: Advanced confined space rescue training funded through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG).

Objective:

- Delivered training from February 13-20 to 12 members, in partnership with the Connecticut Fire Academy.
- Certified personnel in confined space rescue techniques per NFPA 1006 standards.
- Developed skills for operating in hazardous environments with restricted access.
- Strengthened the department's ability to respond to complex technical rescue incidents.

Traffic Incident Management Responder Training

Focus: Enhancing firefighter response and coordination at roadway incidents.

Objective:

- Conducted two training sessions on February 24 and 26.
- Provided instruction on best practices for scene safety, traffic flow management, and responder positioning.
- Reinforced strategies for working collaboratively with other emergency response agencies.

Connecticut Fire Academy Winter Classes

Focus: Ongoing professional development for department personnel.

Objective:

- Multiple members attended various advanced courses from February 21-23.
- Expanded firefighter knowledge in specialized disciplines relevant to department needs.

Facility Utilization

Firefighter Cancer Screening

- The classroom was utilized by USB Screening from February 3-6 for member cancer screenings.

Operational Support & Division Management

Beyond training, the Training Division performed a range of administrative and logistical functions to support department operations and future training initiatives.

Administrative Tasks:

- **Equipment & Facility Management:** Spent significant time coordinating with USB Screening to replace a projection screen damaged by one of their employees.
- **External Training Outreach:** Marketed the Traffic Incident Management class to outside agencies to maximize attendance and regional preparedness.
- **Department-Wide CPR Training:** Began the process of organizing CPR classes for all department personnel.
- **Training Coordination:** Managed logistics and scheduling for the Confined Space class conducted in partnership with the Connecticut Fire Academy.
- **Lesson Plan & Curriculum Development:** Created and refined training lesson plans, curriculum, and schedules for upcoming months.
- **Interdepartmental Support:** Assisted the Mechanical Division with moving vehicles to facilitate maintenance and operational needs.

Personnel Updates

Probationary Firefighter Ryan Blaney

- Officially started with the department on February 6.
 - Reported to the Connecticut Fire Academy on February 9 to begin his Recruit Class.
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Challenges

- **Facility & Equipment Maintenance:** Addressing facility-related issues, such as replacing damaged equipment, remains an ongoing responsibility.
 - **Administrative Workload:** Increasing responsibilities in compliance tracking, recruit onboarding, and training outreach require significant time outside of direct training instruction.
 - **Winter Training Adjustments:** Weather limitations impacted outdoor training, requiring flexible scheduling and alternative instructional methods.
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Next Steps

Spring Training Initiatives

Focus: Preparing firefighters for the transition to springtime operations and increased outdoor training opportunities.

Objective:

- Develop training schedules that integrate both indoor and outdoor practical skills.
 - Plan live fire training sessions and advanced technical rescue drills.
 - Continue refining department-wide training initiatives based on emerging needs and compliance updates.
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Respectfully Submitted,
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Mechanical Division Monthly Report

February 2025

Engine 1

- DEF system repair at Cummins
- Air primer valve
- Heat valve replaced
- Wiper arm replaced
- 6) New tires

Engine 2

- Replace mounting bolts for On-Spots
- 6) New tires

Engine 3

- Rotate front tires

Engine 4

- Driver portable repaired

Engine 5

- Max XT meter repaired
- HCN meter battery

Engine 6

- New wipers
- Replace L/S mirror glass
- Repair air leak @ compressor
- Repair air leak @ valve
- Rebuild Q siren
- Replace D/S Q pedal

Engine 8

- Replace thermostat
- Repair power strip
- Repair L/F cab door latch
- Replace R-1 door pistons
- Fill Vogel system
- R/R cab step R7R, welded @ Melnick's

Tower 1

- Sent to ADDA for transmission repair
- Repair air leak @ compressor
- New inner tire, R/R trailing axle

Miscellaneous

- Service 1: New batteries
- Fire 5: 3K service, sway bar links, rear shocks
- Plow snow on 2/6/25 & 2/13/25
- J.C. meeting on 2/7/25
- F/F Oulette mask straps
- E3-02 repaired
- T-2: Repair jack pad
- Fire 8: 3K service and new wipers. Install MDT riser

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Equipment Technician

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Chief of Department