

Centerville-Osterville Marstons Mills Fire Department
Fire Commissioners' Meeting
June 15, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting will come to order at 1704 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 May 18, 2026, meeting.

Interviews for Fire Prevention Officer.

CORRESPONDENCE

Opened the job posting for Firefighter/ EMT-Paramedic, posting closes on June 24th. **Chief Hill – as of today there have been 51 applications submitted.**

PERSONNEL

S. Lehane will be retiring on August 9, 2026. Shawn has been a firefighter at COMM for the last 27 years. **Chief Hill – August 7th we will be having last day coffee from 10-12.**

FIRE PREVENTION

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

FPO Booth and FPO candidate DeGraan attended the annual 2-day educational seminar held on May 18 & 19 2026 in Southbridge, MA. At this month's Cape & Islands Fire Prevention meeting State Rep. Hadley Luddy, spoke regarding Senate bill 2736 which is about smoke/CO inspections on short term rentals. Rep. Luddy doesn't believe that this bill will pass this session and is hopeful it will pass in the next session. **Chief Hill – if this bill is passed Fire Prevention would have to inspect all rentals and Airbnb in the district.**

We held the final day of Junior Firefighters at the elementary schools. We also held a Fire Academy for kindergarten students at Centerville Elementary after school starting the last Wednesday in April and running for 4-weeks. We taught a smaller version of what we teach in the Junior Firefighter program.

FPO Booth completed and passed Fire Instructor Class. We held the second CPR/Stop the bleed class at the Osterville library. The lead instructor was FF/PM Matt DePippo. On May 30th Best Buddies took place and the coordination, from many organizations, Chief Hill, Deputy Rogers, Captain Malone, BPD, FPO Booth and many others, went well even though the weather didn't cooperate.

This past month a total of (92) permits were issued by the Fire Prevention Office while collecting \$2,245 permits.

EMS

Continuing to work with sales representative from Greenwood Emergency Vehicles on specifications for approved new ambulance.

Working on training schedule to get all paramedics trained on new LifePak 35 cardiac monitors. To be completed within the next 60 days.

2026 Massachusetts OEMS Protocol changes have been implemented with all personnel completing training.

EMS training and classes will resume after summer.

DISPATCH

For the month of May COMM received 414 calls which is down 43 calls from April 2025 and up 140 for the year comparison.

EQUIPMENT

A1- Resecured overhead grab rail.

A2- Adjusted latches on IV draw.

A3- Installed and program new Knox box. Tighten door latch on Iv draw. Reinstall side window lock.

E1- Service engine and generator.

E2- Diagnosed and ordered new power steering box.

E3- Rebuilt foam pump.

M1- Replaced fuel sensor and calibrated. Ordered sensor for fire pump, part is on back order.

L1- Replace window regulator.

F2- Repaired faulty wire on crank.

C4- Contacted Whalen regarding issue with Opticom light.

Serviced Station 2 air compressor.

TRAINING

June's training focused on operational readiness, apparatus driving proficiency, and firefighter health and safety as the department prepared for the busy summer season. Training emphasized driver/operator

competency, pumping operations, and heat-related illness prevention, while continuing to reinforce firefighter safety through case study review and company-level training activities.

OPERATIONS

Marine Division

Marine 1 is in service at the dock at Crosby. There have been 37.25 hours of underway time, including 17.25 hours of coxswain operator hours logged this calendar year. The USCG has contracted to have Collier's Ledge and Southwest Rock removed as navigation hazards. That work is ongoing during the month of June.

Dive Team

The Dive Team did not train in May. Two members, FFs DePippo and Bedford completed a 3-day public safety diver program as part of their required diver certifications.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Station 1:

- Outdoor chiller placed in service and operational.
- Completed upstairs deep cleaning, blinds installation, landscaping, and routine maintenance tasks.

Station 2:

- Installed bedroom and living room A/C units.

Station 3:

- Completed air handler filter service.
- Removed damaged fence and repaired grounds near bay door.

BUDGET

See attached budget sheet.

PLANNING

Centennial Planning underway for July 11th event at the Osterville Library. **The time will be from 10-12.**

COMMITTEES

Chief Hill – Senior Leadership is coming up with a plan, and each Captain brings the ideas back to their group. Eventually the plan will be brought to the Commissioners to discuss.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES (IT)

Continue to work with phone company regarding recorded lines and calls being heard throughout the station speakers.

MISCELLANEOUS

NFPA 1582 Physical - phases 1 and 2 have been completed. The last phase will be completed the week of June 22nd. **Chief Hill – Nineteen (19) sets of non-structural gear is going into service, thank you Capt. Sabatinelli for his time on working on the grant to receive the funding for this gear.**

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 1726. Next meeting is July 20, 2026 at 5:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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

Doug Brown, Clerk