

Board of Engineers Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2026

Main Street Fire Station

273 Main Street, Wareham

The Special Board of Engineers meeting was called to order at 9:06 AM.

Present: Acting Chief Mark Rogers and Second Assistant Engineer Chris Smith.

Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Department Staffing

Acting Chief Rogers welcomed newly appointed Second Assistant Engineer Chris Smith to the Board of Engineers.

The Board discussed staffing needs within the Fire Prevention Office following Assistant Chief Smith's transition from Fire Prevention to the managerial duties of Assistant Chief.

Acting Chief Rogers proposed appointing an Acting Captain in Fire Prevention from the current Captain's promotional list. Discussion followed regarding the workload of the Fire Prevention Office and the need to maintain adequate staffing.

The Board discussed whether sufficient funding was available for the position for the remainder of the current fiscal year. Following discussion, the proposal was tabled until the next regularly scheduled Board of Engineers meeting to allow funding options to be reviewed. Acting Assistant Chief Smith stated that he would bring the matter forward at the next meeting.

The Board also discussed the need to fill the career firefighter vacancy resulting from staffing changes. Acting Assistant Chief Smith stated that he would investigate available funding and bring the matter before the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Motion Carried 2-0-0
Chris Smith

Resignation

Acting Chief Rogers reported the resignation of Alison Bonin, effective June 5, 2026, after six years of service to the Wareham Fire Department.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the resignation. The motion carried unanimously.

Members' Reports and Announcements

Acting Chief Rogers announced that this would be his final official Board of Engineers meeting. He thanked the Board and members of the department for their support, respect, and camaraderie throughout his service.

Second Assistant Engineer Smith thanked Acting Chief Rogers for his leadership and stated that the Department would continue the work ethic, standards, and objectives he had established.

Prior to adjournment, Clerk Tresurer Lemuiex offered remarks recognizing Acting Chief Rogers' many years of service and dedication to the Wareham Fire District. She thanked him for his leadership, commitment to the district and its personnel, and friendship, and wished him well in his retirement.

Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 AM.