

TOWN OF LEDYARD PROCLAMATION

Ledyard Town Council Recognizes Members of the

Ledyard Emergency 911 Dispatchers
Ledyard Center Fire Company District #1
Gales Ferry Fire Company District #2
Unites States Submarine Base Fire Department
American Ambulance

On November 3, 2022 at 1856 hours, the Ledyard and Gales Ferry Fire Departments were dispatched to 28 Arrowhead Drive in Ledyard, for the report of male, who had fallen down a 30' into abandon well.

The first fire unit was on scene within six minutes.

Once on scene, Ledyard Center Fire Chief Jon Mann established command, confirmed that a male was i30 feet down an abandoned well and was submerged in waist deep water.

The; command requested the Unites States Submarine Base Fire Department for their rope rescue/confined space team.

Ledyard's crew's established verbal communications with the patient, his chief complaint was extremely cold. Ledyard's crew sent the patient down lights, and a blanket, as well as a ladder safety belt, a hard helmet, and rope, to keep the gentlemen secure if he were to become unconscious.

A safety plan was established for all firefighters so as not to disturb the well area, or preventing falls down an embankment in which they were working on. In addition, the American Ambulance crew began developing their plan for treatment of the patient who was now showing signs of hyperthermia.

The Submarine Base rescue team was on scene at 1928 hours, and immediately, under the guidance of Chief Mann, formulated a rope rescue plan, and assembled a rope rescue pulley and hauling system used to conduct low angle rescues. From time of initial call to a rescuer ready to be lowered into the well was about one hour.

At this time, command instructed the rescue team to lower the Subase rescue firefighter Tyler Zani, into the well, with additional rope, a harness, and a means to tie the patient off to himself. In less than four minutes both the patient and the rescuer were pulled safely from the abandon well without any additional injuries.

Patient was turned over to the ambulance crew who immediately began patient care/treatment for
hypothermia.
Total time from initial call to the patient safely being rescued from the well was just over an hour.
All emergency personnel on scene are to be commended for their heroic actions that night, and for the safe rescue of one of our town residents.
Given this Fourteenth day of December, June, Thousand and Twenty-two at Ledyard, Connecticut
Kevin J. Dombrowski, Chairman