



Cumberland County Fire Chief's Association

"Preservation of Life and Property through Organization"

Minutes of the November 24, 2014 Monthly Meeting



The monthly meeting was held at the Grays Creek Fire Department Station # 18 and we thank Chief Herndon and his staff for their great dinner and hospitality.

Opening Prayer: Chaplain Pone provided the opening prayer.

Roll Call: Roll call was conducted with 16 departments and 9 associate members present.

Members Absent:

Fire/EMS Departments: CFVEMS, Fort Bragg FD, Hope Mills

Associate Members: Christian Firefighters, County District Attorney's Office, FPD, Fort Bragg EMS, LIFELINK, and Retired Fire Chiefs

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from October 2014 meeting were approved as presented.

Guests:

Sheriff Earl Butler,
Rodney Bunch - Representative from the Armed Forces Benefit Association addressed the membership and handed out hand-outs

Vendors Present: None

Treasurer's Report: Not Applicable (Presented during our quarterly Chief's Only Meetings)

Meeting Point of Interests:

Next Chief's Meeting will be Monday December 15, 2014 hosted by Sheriff Butler at 7:00 pm at the Detention Center. Dinner will be served.

- President Johnson opened the meeting by congratulating Sheriff Butler for his re-election to an unprecedented 6th Term in Office. Sheriff Butler thanked the membership and pledged his continued support.
- Vander Fire Department Station # 2 will assume air truck duties for the month of December 2014.
- Members were provided a packet with various informational materials.
 - Heart Health information
 - Legal Briefs
 - FEMA External Affairs Bulletin – AFG Grant Period

- Letter Requesting Commissioner Jimmy Keefe – Appointed Fire Commissioner
- Flyer Retirement Mr. A. C. Daniels OSFM Rating Bureau.

OLD BUSINESS

1. President Johnson advised that 1361 has been sold to the Carolina Lakes Fire Department in Lee County and until its replacement arrives we will only have three (3) mobile Air Trucks in Service.
2. President Johnson informed the membership that during our December meeting we will recognize both former retired Fire Chief's James McIntyre with the Godwin Falcon Fire Department and Jackie Lee with the Wade Community Fire Department with a Life Time Membership induction and proclamation.
3. All Fire Chief's and Deputy Chief's have been registered with the North Carolina Association of Fire Chief's (NCAFC) and each of our association membership dues have been paid for the 2015 calendar year.
4. Time Warner bills should be arriving to each department's Fire Chief for the next billing cycle.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. President Johnson informed the membership that he submitted a letter to the incoming Chairman of the County Commissioners Kenneth Edge requesting that Commissioner Jimmy Keefe be appointed as the new Fire Commissioner. Commissioner Keefe has previously shown an interest of becoming the Fire Commissioner should Fire Commissioner Ed Melvin step down. Commissioner Keefe contacted President Johnson and expressed his interest. New Committee's are announced each year by the new chairman during their first December meeting.
2. President Johnson advised that we will recognize out-going Fire Commissioner Ed Melvin during our Christmas Meeting next month at the Sheriff's Office.
3. President Johnson introduced Assistant Fire Chief Jason Autry to the membership. Jason was recently appointed Assistant Fire Chief with the Bethany Fire Department and was welcomed to the association.
4. President Johnson announced that Mr. A.C. Daniels Senior Rating Inspector with the North Carolina Department of Insurance and the Office of the State Fire Marshal is retiring Friday December 4, 2014. A flyer announcing his retirement is in each Chief's packet and Chief Johnson urged any member that can attend the retirement ceremony to please attend. AC will be missed.
5. President Johnson advised that the Assistance to Firefighter Grant's (AFG) is currently open. Grays Creek Fire Department Station 24 is applying for a regional grant to replace their air truck and President Johnson will submit a grant application for SCBA's. If anyone wants participate or has SCBA's that are expired or getting ready to expire please call him and he will turn his grant

into a regional request on the grounds of equipment interoperability. He also urged all members to return the information that Station 24 has requested to complete their grant.

6. President Johnson informed the membership that the Ferguson Missouri Grant Jury was expected to make a much anticipated announcement on a case that has stirred up national debate. There are however some individuals that want to use the opportunity of peaceful protest and turn them into violence against people and property. If that occurs we or our services will be drawn into the disturbances in order to render aid or extinguish fires. Please have a plan and a conversation with you membership before deploying should we experience local protests. Safety of our members is of utmost concern to each of us, so let's be safe.
7. Assistant Chief Kevin Murphy on behalf of the Standard's Committee presented a recommendation from the Standards Committee that the REHAB SOG be approved by the membership. President Johnson called for a motion to approve the REHAB SOG as presented by the Standards Committee. Fire Chief Ronnie Marley made a **MOTION** that the REHAB SOG be approved as presented with an effective date of January 1, 2015. The motion was **SECONDED** by Chief Jason Williams and **APPROVED** by a Roll Call vote unanimously. President Johnson informed the membership that it was important that each Chief informs his membership about the approved SOG's and our compliance with the SOG. It's easy to vote in the affirmative and then not inform your membership or comply with the approved standard. This will have an extremely adverse effect should we have a serious line of duty injury or line of duty death and we have an established SOG and we did not follow the SOG. Let's not put our self in that position.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ID CARD/FIRE HOUSE COMMITTEE Fire Chief T. J. McLamb Chairperson, E-Mail

- **FYI.** Fire Chiefs are required to send a signed letter or memo with a firefighter requesting an ID Card. For any questions or an appointment contact 424-0694 or e-mail at tara@stonepointfire.com

FIRE PREVENTION/EDUCATION COMMITTEE Captain Willet, FFD – Chairperson, E-Mail: Rwillet@ci.fay.nc.us

- President Johnson announced that the Fire Safety House has been moved to the Eastover Fire Department in conjunction with our last month's vote.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE EMS Chief Brian Pearce – EMS - Chairperson, E-Mail: bpearce@capefearvalley.com

- No Report

STANDARDS & POLICY COMMITTEE A/C Kevin Murphy (SPFD # 13) Chairperson, E-Mail: kmurphy1903@gmail.com

- Chief Murphy stated that the Standards Committee will be working on the Active Shooter SOG.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE Chief R. Marley (Pearce's Mill) Chairperson, E-Mail:
pmfd0301@nc.rr.com

AUTOMATIC AID/MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE Chief Joe Marsh (GCFD # 24) Chairperson–E-Mail:
gcf24@nc.rr.com

- No report

FINANCE COMMITTEE Deputy Chief Freddy Johnson Jr. (Stoney Point) Chairperson, E-Mail:
spfd1302@nc.rr.com

- No Report

RESCUE COMMITTEE Deputy Chief Hank Harris (Cotton FD) Chairperson, E-Mail:
cfd402@nc.rr.com

- No Report

BULK PURCHASE COMMITTEE Deputy Director Timmy Mitchell (Emergency Services),
Chairperson, E-Mail: tmitchell@co.cumberland.nc.us

- No report.

SPECIAL RESPONSE TIME COMMITTEE - Chief Hill (WCFD/FFD) Chairperson, E-Mail:
mhill@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report

KNOX BOX COMMITTEE - Emergency Management Officer Gene Booth (Emergency Services)
Chairperson, E-Mail: wbooth@co.cumberland.nc.us

- No report.

FIREHOUSE STEERING COMMITTEE – Fire Chief T. J. McLamb (SLFD # 22) Chairperson,
E-Mail: tmclamb@spring-lake.org

- Contact Chief McLamb if you are experiencing any FIREHOUSE software issues please contact him.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS REPORT

EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR/ ECC-911 (Randy Beeman, Director), E-Mail:
rbeeman@co.cumberland.nc.us

- ES Director Beeman – No report
- Deputy Director Mitchell – Reported that they picked up a new supply of Smoke Alarms but we only received a fraction of the alarms that are normally provided to our county. Operation Safe a Life has upgraded their smoke alarms to ten (10) year battery alarms and as a result of the increase in cost everyone's quota was significantly reduced. They do however have several boxes for each department.
- EM Officer Booth – No report
- Communications Supervisor Susan McLeod – No report.

EMS DIRECTOR: Brian Pearce, Director, E-Mail: bpearce@capefearvalley.com

- No Report

HAZMAT BC Calvin Bishop, FFD - POC telephone for HAZMAT is 433-1729,
E-Mail: cbishop@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report

FORESTRY DISTRICT Craig Gottfried, County Ranger, E-Mail: craig.gottfried@ncagr.gov

- No report.

FTCC Ernest Ward, Director, E-Mail: warde@faytechcc.edu

- Mr. Ernest Ward announced that a regional training officers meeting is starting back up on December 8, 2014 at Pearce's Mill Fire Department. He urged every department to send a representative.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE Sheriff Butler

- No report.

CHRISTIAN FIREFIGHTERS Chaplain JD. Pone

- No report

NC HIGHWAY PATROL – Captain Freddy Johnson Jr. SHP Field Operations. E-Mail: fljohnson@ncshp.org

- Captain Johnson advised that the traffic safety course will be placed into the

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Fire Commissioner Ed Melvin

- No report.

CIVIL AIR PATROL Ryan William

- No Report

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

- Assistant Fire Chief Kevin Murphy thanked all the department participating in AMTRAK drill. He stated it provided an excellent training opportunity for all that participated and all that participated should be better prepared to respond to a rail incident as a result of the training.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn by Chief Herndon, seconded by Chief Joe Marsh. The meeting was adjourned at 2035 hours.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Freddy L. Johnson

Freddy L. Johnson Sr., CFO
Fire Chief / President

Mark A. Melvin

Mark A. Melvin, CFO
Fire Chief / Secretary

6 Enclosures

1. Roll call Attendance Sheet
2. Roll call vote for REHAB SOG Approval





**CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION
ROLL CALL VOTE
2014**



MEMBERS PRESENT (19)													16
ASSOCIATES PRESENT (15)													09
CC Fire Chiefs	27-JAN-14	24-FEB-14	24-MAR-14	28- APR-14	19-MAY-14	23-JUN-14	28-JUL-14	25-AUG-14	22-SEP-14	27-OCT-14	24-NOV-14	15-DEC-14	
DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION													
Chief's Only Meeting													
MEMBERS													
													P
BEAVER DAM STA 26													P
BETHANY STA 12													P
COTTON STA 4													P
CUMBERLAND ROAD STA 5													P
EASTOVER STA 1													P
EMS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES													A
FAYETTEVILLE FIRE DEPT													P
FORT BRAGG FIRE DEPT													A
GODWIN – FALCON STA 17													P
GRAYS CREEK STA 18													P
GRAYS CREEK STA 24													P
HOPE MILLS STA 21													A
PEARCE'S MILL STA 3													P
SPRING LAKE STA 22													P
STEDMAN STA 23													P
STONE POINT STA 13 & 19													P
VANDER STA 2 & 8													P
WADE STA 16													P
WESTAREA STA 15-20 & 25													P
													P
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS													
													P
CC EMERGENCY SERVICES													A
CHRISTIAN FIREFIGHTERS													P
CIVIL AIR PATROL													P
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS													P
DA'S OFFICE													A
FAYETTEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT													A
FORESTRY													P
FORT BRAGG EMS													A
FTCC													P
HAZMAT													P
HIGHWAY PATROL													P
LIFE LINK													A
RETIRED FIRE CHIEF'S													A
SHERIFF'S OFFICE													P

Special Notes:

CODES: (P) – Present (A)-Absent (E) - Excused

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION
VOTE ROLL CALL 2014**

1. **MOTION:** A motion was introduced by **Fire Chief Ronnie Marley** (Pearce's Mill FD) to adopt the new REHAB SOG recommended and presented by the Standards Committee Chairman Assistant Fire Chief Kevin Murphy. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by **Assistant Fire Chief Jason Williams** (Spring Lake FD) and after a general discussion - **unanimously APPROVED** by all members present. The effective date of the newly approved SOG will be 1 January 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE (19)																					16		
ASSOCIATES PRESENT (10)																							
DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION * Chief's Only Meeting	27 January 2014	24 February 2014	24 March 2014	28 April 2014	19 May 2014	23-June 2014	28-JUL-14	25 August 2014	22 September 2014	27 October 2014	24 November 2014 REHAB SOG	22 December 2014											
MEMBERS																							
BEAVER DAM STA 26																						Yes	
BETHANY STA 12																						Yes	
COTTON STA 4																						Yes	
CUMBERLAND ROAD STA 5																						Yes	
EASTOVER STA 1																						Yes	
EMS-EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES																						A	
FAYETTEVILLE FIRE DEPT																						Yes	
FORT BRAGG FIRE DEPT																						A	
GODWIN-FALCON STA 17																						Yes	
GRAYS CREEK 18																						Yes	
GRAYS CREEK 24																						Yes	
HOPE MILLS STA 21																						A	
PEARCE'S MILL STA 3																						Yes	
SPRING LAKE STA 22																						Yes	
STEDMAN STA 23																						Yes	
STONE POINT STA 13 - 19																						Yes	
VANDER STA 2 - 8																						Yes	
WADE STA 16																						Yes	
WESTAREA STA 15 - 20 - 25																						Yes	
TOTAL YES VOTES																						16	
TOTAL NO VOTES																						0	
MOTION CARRIED																						Yes	

Special Notes:

CODES: (YES) - Voting in the Affirmative (-A-) - Absent (N/A) - Vote Does Not Apply to Organization
(NO) - Voting against