

October 25 1999 - 7:10 PM
Cumberland County Fire Chief's Association – Executive Board Meeting.

Called to order by President Jimmy Hall at 7:10 PM with 16 members and 3 associate members present.

Opening prayer provided by Chief J.F. Hall.

Treasurers report not available. Chief Johnson will provide the report to Chief Middleton who will scan it into a word document for inclusion with these minutes.

Motion Chief Sudia, 2nd Chief House to suspend the reading of Sept 27th minutes. Motion passed.

President Hall gave a kind word of appreciation to Chief's Johnson and Barnes for their representation of this organization to the county commissioners on Monday October 18th, 1999. It was suggested that the CCFCA consider providing an annual activity report to the commissioners.

Chief Middleton clarified that his comments at the last meeting referencing annexation by the City of Fayetteville were not completely on target. The plan that Mr. Baggett spoke of is called the "Future City" and the plan Chief Middleton was discussing is the "2030 Land Use Plan." Since they were discussing two different plans, there may have been some confusion.

Plaque for Mr. Corning: Fire Marshal Strickland and President Hall have ordered a plaque recognizing Mr. Bobby Corning for his support of North Carolina's hurricane Floyd victims when his company supplied semi trailers that Cumberland County's Fire Service filled with disaster relief goods. All purchase costs of this plaque have been provided through the gracious financial support of Commissioner Breeden Blackwell.

Fire/EMS Memorial: Chief Mike Middleton brought a draft of the construction plan for the firefighter & EMT memorial. This long awaited memorial is to be located on FTCC's campus between the auditorium and Lafayette Hall. There has been a Memorial Fund established with First Citizens bank under the name of "Cumberland County Emergency Services Memorial Fund" (CCESMF). Board members include:

1. Chief Mike Middleton, President – CCFCA
2. Mr. Dan Everhard, Treasurer - Retired FF's Association
3. Mr. Wally Anisworth – EMS
4. Asst. Chief Alan Nobles - City of Fayetteville
5. Mr. Robin Gurgainus – FTCC
6. Unknown - Fort Bragg Fire Dept.
7. Unknown - Pope Fire Department

Donations may be sent to PO Box 43442, Fayetteville, NC. 28309-3442. The LaFayette Village F.D., BOD has donated \$1,000 toward this cause. The memorial is tentatively scheduled to be dedicated on Sunday, March 5th, 2000 during the Eastern Emergency Services Seminar. Please forward all names of deceased Cumberland County Firefighters and EMS personnel to Chief Mike Middleton.

New Business:

Chief Sudia thanked everyone for assisting in the Memorial Service in Hope Mills during fire prevention week.

Chief Sudia has a few extra "Learn Not to Burn" books available if you need one, please call.

Fireman's Fund: Preston Douglas CPA is in Gray's Creek and has suggested that each district have their Fireman's Fund incorporated separately. In addition, our CCFCA guest speaker next month will discuss how Fireman's Relief Fund money can be spent to support our firefighters. This meeting will be open to relief fund board members.

AED Usage: Dr. Henderson was also invited to come to discuss the success of AED usage in Cumberland County. He has not yet confirmed his attendance.

Camp New Hope: County Fire Marshal Brian Carson spoke of Camp New Hope. Brian was a counselor at this burn camp last year and encouraged us to financially support the organization. A speaker will be at next month's meeting to inform us of their activities. Chief Middleton spoke of having attended one of the camps and his positive personal experience. Chief Sudia stated that Cumberland County is second only to Wake County in the number of kids sent to this burn unit. Chief Hall stated that Cumberland Road has already committed to donate \$100 from their fireman's fund. They are challenging all other county departments to do the same.

Reading of Minutes: Chief Marley questioned why we read the minutes of all board of directors' minutes publicly and in such detail. It was reconfirmed that the quarterly BOD meetings are for just the fire chief and representatives of specific support agencies. If the Fire Chief is unable to attend, he may send another officer as his representative.

Flood Relief: Chief Barnes stated that the Gratiot County Michigan Fire Chief's Association has offered to donate some used turnout gear to a North Carolina flood impacted fire departments. They have been in contact with Chief Barnes who is working with Fire Marshal Strickland and EOC Director Grabowski. They have identified two Duplin County Departments (Northeast F.D and Chinquapin) that are in desperate need of support. Chief Barnes asked if this association would like to be the fiduciary of this donation.

Motion Chief Mathews 2nd Chief Marley that the CCFCA act as the liaison for this donation. Motion Passed unanimously.

Old Business

Proposal for Public Information Office. The proposal died for a lack of a motion.

UHF Radios: Chief Johnson advised us that the CCSD has a few UHF radios left. If you have not gotten yours, please contact him ASAP. Please have these radios available since these frequencies will be used by the search & rescue team.

Bomb Scares. The Cumberland County school violence task force met today. It was noted that a few fire departments are pulling directly into the scene of bomb scare calls. Please be sure to stay back 500'.

File Server: Mr. Henry Swartout III is working on getting our countywide file server in place. He is working with New Hanover County with a deadline of January 1, 2000.

Firehouse Software: Chief Middleton asked that Firehouse Software return to do another class on how to use their product.

Motion Chief Sudia and 2nd Chief Mathews to purchase the upgrade Quicken program for the treasurer. Motion passed.

Presentation to the County Commissioners: Once again, President Hall noted that Chief Barnes and Johnson's presentation to the County Commissioners went very well. He thanked Commissioner Talmage Baggett Jr. for his personal support of our departments and for setting up the meeting.

Cumberland County Awards Program: Motion by Chief Marsh, 2nd by Chief Middleton to accept the proposed policy creating a "Cumberland County Awards Program". Amendment by Barnes, 2nd by Chief Mathews expanding the "service recognition award" to include recognition at 5 year increments with no cap. Motion with amendment passed.

Cherri Grabowski:

1. Thanks to all of our departments that assisted other depts. during hurricane Floyd's flood.
2. There will be an Airport exercise on Thursday.
3. Local schools are practicing school terrorism response.
4. PIO course is available to fire personnel. Let Cheri know if anyone would like to attend.
5. If there are people who would like to assist in EOC during disasters, please contact Cheri so that they can be trained.

Haunted House: Chief Middleton noted that LaFayette village is having a haunted house this year. Proceeds will go to the burn center.

Cumberland County's official tick or treat is on Saturday. The City and Ft. Bragg is on Sunday.

Motion Chief Johnson, 2nd JF Hall to adjourn. Motion passed at 9:10 PM.

Compiled and Respectfully Submitted by:
Chief Barnes, Acting Secretary

**2000
Cumberland County
Fire Chiefs
Association**

Meeting Schedule

DATE	LOCATION
January 24	Old Courthouse (chiefs only)
February 28	Grays Creek FD St 18
March 27	Linden FD St 20
April 24	Old Courthouse (chiefs only)
May 22	Hope Mills FD St 21
June 26	Spring Lake FD St 22
July 24	Old Courthouse (chiefs only)
August 28	Stedman FD St 23
September 25	Grays Creek FD St 24
October 23	Old Courthouse (chiefs only)
November 27	Beaver Dam FD St 26
December 18	Sheriff's Office (place to be announced)



**COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND
FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE**

J. RICHARD STRICKLAND
Fire Marshal

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130 Gillespie Street
Old Courthouse, Room 17

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November 15, 1999

Mr. Bobby Corney
Corney Transportation Services, Inc.
66 Caulder Rd.
St. Pauls, NC 28384

Dear Mr. Corney,

The Cumberland County Fire Chief's Association would like to express their appreciation on behalf of its members and the citizens of Cumberland County for your recent assistance with relief efforts following Hurricane Floyd.

The Association would like to invite you and Mr. Terry Graves attend the monthly meeting on Monday, November 22, 1999. This meeting will be held at the Godwin-Falcon Fire Department at 7:00 PM. The station is located just off I-95 at the Falcon exit approximately ½ of a mile to the right traveling toward Falcon. Dinner will be served and a presentation will be made to you and the employees at Corney Transportation for your assistance in the relief effort.

If you need any further information or directions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Cumberland County Fire Marshal