



Cumberland County Fire Chief's Association

"Preservation of Life and Property through Organization"

Minutes of the August 31, 2020 Monthly Meeting



The Chiefs' meeting was hosted by Pearce's Mill Fire Department. The meeting format was restricted due to COVID 19 issues with some members participating by teleconference.

- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Johnson at 7:00 pm.
- Opening Prayer:** Assistant Fire Chief Kevin Murphy conducted the opening prayer.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Johnson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call:** Roll call was conducted with 16 departments and 9 associate members present.

Members Absent:

Fire/EMS Departments: **Eastover, EMS, Grays Creek #24**

Associate Members: **Hazmat, Retired Fire Chiefs**

Approval of Minutes: The June and July 2020 minutes were approved.

Guests: Diane Wheatley is running for House Seat 43. She has requested our support.
Senator Kirk Deviere joined via zoom and provided a legislated update at the end of the meeting and also asked for support in his re-election campaign.
Commissioner Keefe and Boose requested support in their re-election bid for County Commissioner.

Vendors Present: None

Treasurer's Report: None

Meeting Points of Interests:

Next Chiefs' Meeting is scheduled for GCFD #18 at their new facility on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 7 pm. Finger food and small refreshments will be served.

- Stoney Point #13 will assume air truck rotation during the month of September 2020 followed by Air 1, Fayetteville FD in October 2020.

Items of Interest Handouts

- ✓ Water Rescue SOG review.
- ✓ Chapter 7 & 8 NFPA 1041
- ✓ Fire & Rescue Commission Meeting Minutes January 2020

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The Valor awards program has been postponed until October 13, 2020 at 1100 hours at Manna Church on Cliffdale Road No food will be served. Due to COVID-9 only award recipients, their Chiefs and presenters will be allowed to attend the ceremony which will be recorded.
2. President Johnson gave an update on the storage building that was constructed at SPFD 19 to house association assets. We received our certificate of occupancy and all our assets have been moved into the storage building. We are pending the 10 foot concrete apron and that should be completed within the next several weeks. A walk through for all of the Chiefs is tentatively set for our monthly chiefs meeting night on October 26, 2020 at 1900 hours.
3. President Johnson updated the membership on the radio phase I grant opportunity. A total of 158 radios were ordered. They will need to be programmed when they arrive. According to Motorola we should receive these radios within a month or early October. Additional information concerning installation will be disseminated during our September meeting.
4. President Johnson advised the members that the foam survey has been turned into OSFM. This is an expensive endeavor and we will be looking at assistance from NC or the Federal Government. The old foam will require disposal which will come at a cost. In the mean time we will only use our current foam for a true emergency. This is work in progress. President Johnson is planning on meeting with representatives from our local delegation to see if assistance from the state is available, since this is statewide issue with most volunteer departments throughout the state that are not financial able to address this issue.
5. President Johnson advised at all our major annual liabilities such as FH RMS, IAR and CAD interface fees have been paid.
6. President Johnson on behalf of the school system thanked all the departments that are participating in the school bus Wi-Fi program to assist with the current COVID on-line public school classroom platform.
7. President Johnson advised that both the Mayday/RIT and Working Fire Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG's) are due for an association vote in accordance with our established guidelines. Both have been in review for the past 60 days and both have been tweaked to its final version. President Johnson asked for a motion to either approve or disapprove the stated SOG's. A ***MOTION*** was introduced by Assistant Fire Chief Murphy to adopt the ***Mayday/RIT and Working Fire SOG's*** for the CCFCA as presented. After a general discussion the ***MOTION*** was **SECONDED** by Fire Chief Richard Bradshaw and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** by all members present. Both will be posted on our association's web page with an effective date of October 1, 2020. (See Enclosure # 2 Roll Call Vote Sheet)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. President Johnson discussed the review of the draft **Swift Water Rescue** Policy submitted by the Rescue Committee, and urged all members to provide feedback directly to Rescue Committee Chairman Deputy Fire Chief Hank Harris, or Rescue Committee member Fire Chief Richard Bradshaw. The policy will be up for final discussion and vote during our September meeting at Grays Creek # 18.

2. President Johnson announced that due to COVID President Johnson canceled the scheduled Finance Committee meeting and will reschedule this meeting on a future date to be determined.
3. President Johnson reminded everyone that we are still looking on adding at least one tablet during this Fiscal Year and another next year. The long range plan is to have all our emergency and primary apparatuses outfitted with tablets. He reminded the members to please keep them out of the direct sunlight and protect them during the extreme summer heat. He asked that all members send him via e-mail or text an exact count of what tablets or MCT's you have on hand.
4. President Johnson announced all air analysis is being emailed directly to each participating air truck station e-mail account. If you are not receiving this report, please let him know.
5. President Johnson advised that the April 2020 Fire & Rescue Commission meeting was canceled due to COVID and a meeting on August 12, 2020 in Raleigh approved the January 2020 commission meeting minutes, which are part of your packet. Please review the minutes and attached information for situation awareness. He was not able to attend the August meeting due to being a COVID patient at the time. He also stated that during the August meeting the commission approved the NFPA 1041 Standard for Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Professional Qualifications and both Chapters 7 Live Fire Instructor and Chapter 8 Live Fire Instructor in Charge apply. The new policy combines both Live Fire Structural and Live Fire LP Gas into one category. Meaning that Live Fire Instructors will be qualified to teach both. An upgrade class is scheduled here in Fayetteville so please insure your qualified live fire instructors attend. A copy of both NFPA Chapter 7 and 8 has been placed in your packets.
6. President Johnson advised that Emergency Management Director Hendrix has mailed out the 2020 ERG in digital format until the new books are published. Please download the digital version on all your electronic devices for quick access in the field.
7. President Johnson handed out to each attending department the most current Chief Officer manning roster and asked each chief to review and update the roster. We have names on our roster of chief officers that are no longer associated with the association, and we have missing data fields. Please update and return the roster so we can update IAR and our association administrative files.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ID CARD/TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

- **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 cjohnson.spfd@gmail.com
 - President Johnson again asked the members to please continue to recycle or return the clips used for our ID Cards. These clips are extremely expensive and we need to reuse them as much as possible in order to hold down costs. Please collect clips when your members leave a department and recycle the clips. He also reminded the membership that we do not print blue tags, which are considered temporary tags only.

FIRE PREVENTION/EDUCATION COMMITTEE E-Mail: Chief T.J. McLamb jmclamb@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report

STANDARDS & POLICY COMMITTEE A/C Kevin Murphy (SPFD # 13) Chairperson,

E-Mail: kmurphy1903@gmail.com

- The Mayday and the Working Fire Policy were discussed. A motion was made by Assistant Chief Murphy, seconded by Chief Bradshaw to approve the final draft copy of both policies. The motion was unanimously approved by all in attendance.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE Chief R. Marley (Pearce's Mill) Chairperson,

E-Mail: pmfd0301@nc.rr.com

- The Memorial Service is cancelled due to COVID issues. A radio announcement and moment of silence is being contemplated.

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

- A trench and high angle rescue policy will be forthcoming for review.

COMMUNICATIONS /DISPATCH STEERING / AVL COMMITTEE Chief Chuck Hodges (Hope

Mills FD), Chairperson, E-Mail: clhodges@townofhopemills.com

- No report

SMOKE ALARMS / KNOX BOX COMMITTEE – Fire Marshal Kevin Lowder (Emergency

Services) Chairperson, E-Mail: klowther@co.cumberland.nc.us

- No report

FIREHOUSE STEERING COMMITTEE – Fire Chief T. J. McLamb (FFD) Chairperson,

E-Mail: tmclamb@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report

NC WORKFORCE SOLUTION GRANTS – COMMITTEE – Fire Chief Justin Nobles (SVFD #

23) Chairperson. E-Mail: [Jnobles@stedmanfire.com](mailto:jnobles@stedmanfire.com)

- No report

JOINT INCIDENT / DISASTER RESPONSE COMMITTEE – Assistant Fire Chief Richard Bradshaw (VFD) Chairperson, E-Mail: rbradshaw1@nc.rr.com

- No report.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS REPORT

COUNTY MANAGERS OFFICE – Assistant County Manager Tracy Jackson
E-Mail: tjackson@co.cumberland.nc.us

- No report.

EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR/ ECC-911 (Gene Booth, Director),
E-Mail: gbooth@co.cumberland.nc.us

- *Director Booth* discussed the recent ISO reviews conducted with various County Departments with Chief Grayson and A.C. Daniels and that a report is forthcoming that will be shared with the association via a presentation at a future date.
- *Gene also informed the membership* that his staff is working with the county to finalize the grant contracts.
- *Emergency Management Director Hendrix*. – Thanked those for participation in monthly WebEOC exercises.
- *FM Lowder* – No report.
- *Adam Johnson* reported some issues with CAD last week and requested issues be addressed to him so he could research same prior to the meetings.

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

- No report.

HAZMAT: AC Robert Brinson, FFD - POC telephone for HAZMAT is 910-584-9550,
E-Mail: rbrinson@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report

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

- No report.

FTCC Steve Drew, E-Mail: drews@faytechcc.edu

- Steve Drew gave an update on the fire training facility being constructed.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE Sheriff Wright (Sr. Sgt. Steven Hodges – ATF)

- No report.

FAYETTEVILLE POLICE – Police Chief Gina Hawkins, Email ghawkins@ci.fay.nc.us
(Captain Jay Devane) jdevane@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report.

NC HIGHWAY PATROL – Major Freddy Johnson Jr. SHP Special Operations.
E-Mail: Freddy.johnson@ncdps.gov or Sergeant S. Johnson SHP Raleigh Training Center E-Mail
sean.johnson@ncdps.gov

- No report.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Fire Commissioner Marshall Faircloth

- No report.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

- President Johnson asked everyone to keep Chief Marsh in your immediate prayers.
- Senator Deviere provided a legislative update and that another round of COVID relief funds is forthcoming as part of the Cares Act. This would be the second round of COVID relief funding.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn by Assistant Chief Murphy and seconded by Chief Hill.
The meeting was adjourned at 2000 hours.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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

Mark A. Melvin
Mark A. Melvin, CFO
Fire Chief / Secretary

Enclosures – 2.

- 1 – August 2020 Attendance Roll Call
- 2 – Vote Roll Call on Mayday/RIT & Working Fire Policies



CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY - ROLL CALL / ATTENDANCE
2020



		17	17	19	19	19	17	18	16				
MEMBERS PRESENT (19)		17	17	19	19	19	17	18	16				
ASSOCIATES PRESENT (10)		08	08	06	06	07	06	08	09				
TOTAL ATTENDANCE		51	60	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA				
CC Fire Chiefs													
DEPARTMENTS & ORGANIZATION													
Chief's Only Meeting													
		27-JAN-20- PMFD	24-FEB-20- GCFD-18	23-MAR-20- Telecon	27- APR-20 Telecon	18-MAY-20 - Telecon	22-JUN-20- Telecon	27-JUL-20 - Telecon	31-AUG-20 - Telecon	28-SEP-20 -	26-OCT-20 -	23-NOV-20	21-DEC-20 -
MEMBERS		MEETING DATES											
01	BEAVER DAM STA 26 & 27	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
02	BETHANY STA 12	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
03	COTTON STA 4	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
04	CUMBERLAND ROAD STA 5	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
05	EASTOVER STA 1	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A				
06	EMERGENCY MED SVC	A	A	P	P	P	A	P	A				
07	FAYETTEVILLE FIRE DEPT	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
08	FORT BRAGG FIRE DEPT	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P				
09	GODWIN - FALCON STA 17	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
10	GRAYS CREEK STA 18	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
11	GRAYS CREEK STA 24	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E				
12	HOPE MILLS STA 21	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
13	PEARCE'S MILL STA 3	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
14	SPRING LAKE STA 22	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P				
15	STEDMAN STA 23	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P				
16	STONE POINT STA 13 & 19	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
17	VANDER STA 2 & 8	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
18	WADE STA 16	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
19	WESTAREA STA 15-20 & 25	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS													
01	CC EMERGENCY SERVICES	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
02	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	P	P	A	P	A	A	A	P				
03	COUNTY MGR OFFICE	P	E	A	A	P	A	P	P				
04	FAYETTEVILLE PD	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
05	FORESTRY	E	E	P	P	P	A	P	P				
06	FTCC	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
07	HAZMAT	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	A				
08	HIGHWAY PATROL	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
09	RETIRED FIRE CHIEFS	P	P	A	A	A	A	A	A				
10	SHERIFFS OFFICE	A	P	A	A	A	P	P	P				

Special Notes:

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

CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION
VOTE ROLL CALL 2020

1. **MOTION:** A **MOTION** was introduced by Standards Committee Chairman Assistant Chief Murphy to adopt the Mayday/RIT and Working Fire Standard Operating Guideline (SOG) for the CCFCA as presented. After a general discussion the **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Fire Chief Bradshaw and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** by all members present. Effective October 1, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE (20)								17				
DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION * Chief's Only COVID Meeting	27 January 2020	24 February 2020	23 March 2020	27 April 2020	25 May 2020	22-June 2020	27-July 2020	31 August 2020	28 September 2020	26 October 2020	23 November 2020	21 December 2020
MEMBERS												
BEAVER DAM STA 26 - 27								yes				
BETHANY STA 12								yes				
COTTON STA 4								yes				
CUMBERLAND ROAD STA 5								yes				
EASTOVER STA 1								A				
EMS-EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES								A				
FAYETTEVILLE FIRE DEPT								yes				
FORT BRAGG FIRE DEPT								yes				
GODWIN-FALCON STA 18								yes				
GRAYS CREEK 18								yes				
GRAYS CREEK 24								A				
HOPE MILLS STA 21								yes				
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				
EMERGENCY SVC DIRECTOR								yes				

Special Notes:

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