



# Cumberland County Fire Chief's Association

*"Preservation of Life and Property through Organization"*

## Minutes of the December 17, 2018 Monthly Meeting



The Chiefs meeting was hosted by the Sheriff's Office. We thank Sheriff Wright and his staff for their hospitality.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Johnson at 7 pm.

**Opening Prayer:** Captain Perry with CCSO provided the opening prayer.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Not conducted.

**Roll Call:** Roll call was conducted with 18 departments and 8 associate members present.

**Members Absent:**

Fire/EMS Departments: Hope Mills

Associate Members: CC Managers Office, CC Commissioners, HazMat

**Approval of Minutes:** The November 26, 2018 minutes were approved as presented.

**Guests:** Billy West, CCDA thanked everyone for their support in 2018 and wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Caitlynn Evans, District Court Judge Elect thanked everyone for their support during her election and invited everyone to her swearing in ceremony on January 11, 2019.

**Special Guests:** Senator Wesley Meredith was presented a plaque by President Johnson for his 8 years of support to our association while serving in the Senate. Senator Meredith thanked the Association.

President Johnson recognized all the retired and life time membership Fire Chiefs in attendance and thanked them for their past service and for attending. Attending were retired Chiefs, Steve Blackburn – **Fort Bragg**, Bill Bullard - **Stedman**, Richard Bullard – **Beaver Dam**, JF Hall - **Bethany**, Jackie Lee - **Wade**, Mike Middleton – **La Fayette Village**, Benny Nichols - **Fayetteville**, and Harold Shirley – **Beaver Dam**.

President Johnson recognized and thanked all the members of the Cumberland County Emergency Services Honor Guard. Their professionalism was evident during the many memorial services, grave site services and special events during the 2018 calendar year.

**Vendors Present:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** No report

**Meeting Points of Interests:**

*Next Chief's Meeting will be Monday, January 28, 2019 at Pearce's Mill FD, This will be a Chief's only meeting. Snacks will be served.*

- Stoney Point #1981 has the air truck responsibilities during the month of January 2019 followed by Fayetteville FD Air 100 in February 2019.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. President Johnson updated the membership on the current progress of the Mobile Command and Communication Center Bus. All our radio communication assets have been installed. Our radios are in the process of being programmed and are currently still at State Viper for that purpose. The telephone and internet service, plumbing and the satellite services are our remaining projects and are almost completed. The bus will be placed in the CAD system with a vehicle number of **COMS 1**. This is the result of the email vote that was taken by President Johnson.
2. President Johnson stated that during our January 2019 meeting we will discuss the Government Emergency Tele-communications Services (GETS) card. These cards allow us priority service on the system in the event of an emergency. A FEMA representative will be here to assist us with the program.
3. The Agricultural and Forestry study was conducted but no feedback has been received at this time. This bill proposes to reduce and or eliminate the fire taxes owed on rural agricultural wood lands which will impact our FD's funding in a negative manner.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. President Johnson discussed the Freedom App that can be used on a smart phone. He stated that we can make the Freedom App available to Chief Officers. If you would like this APP, please contact President Johnson.

**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](mailto:cjohnson.spfd@gmail.com)
- No report

**FIRE PREVENTION/EDUCATION COMMITTEE** (To Be Determined)

E-Mail: [JEveritte@ci.fay.nc.us](mailto:JEveritte@ci.fay.nc.us)

- No report

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

E-Mail: [kmurphy1903@gmail.com](mailto:kmurphy1903@gmail.com)

- No report

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

E-Mail: [pmfd0301@nc.rr.com](mailto:pmfd0301@nc.rr.com)

- No report.

**AUTOMATIC AID/MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE** Chief Joe Marsh (GCFD # 24) Chairperson,

E-Mail: [gcf24@nc.rr.com](mailto:gcf24@nc.rr.com)

- No Report

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** Deputy Chief Freddy Johnson Jr. (Stoney Point) Chairperson,

E-Mail: [spfd1302@nc.rr.com](mailto:spfd1302@nc.rr.com)

- No report.

**RESCUE COMMITTEE** Deputy Chief Hank Harris (Cotton FD) Chairperson,

E-Mail: [cfd402@nc.rr.com](mailto:cfd402@nc.rr.com)

- No report.

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

Mills FD), Chairperson, E-Mail: [clhodes@townofhopemills.com](mailto:clhodes@townofhopemills.com)

- No Report

**KNOX BOX COMMITTEE** - Emergency Management Officer Gene Booth (Emergency Services)

Chairperson, E-Mail: [wbooth@co.cumberland.nc.us](mailto:wbooth@co.cumberland.nc.us)

- No Report

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

E-Mail: [tmclamb@ci.fay.nc.us](mailto:tmclamb@ci.fay.nc.us)

- No Report

**NC WORKFORCE SOLUTION GRANT – 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](mailto:rbradshaw1@nc.rr.com)

- No Report

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS REPORT**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR/ ECC-911** (Tracy Jackson – Interim Director),  
E-Mail: [tjackson@co.cumberland.nc.us](mailto:tjackson@co.cumberland.nc.us)

No report.

**EMS DIRECTOR:** Brian Pearce, Director E-Mail: [bpearce@capefearvalley.com](mailto:bpearce@capefearvalley.com)

- No report.

**HAZMAT:** AC Robert Brinson, FFD - POC telephone for HAZMAT is 584-9550,  
E-Mail: [rbrinson@ci.fay.nc.us](mailto:rbrinson@ci.fay.nc.us)

- No report.

**FORESTRY DISTRICT** Craig Gottfried, County Ranger, E-Mail: [craig.gottfried@ncagr.gov](mailto:craig.gottfried@ncagr.gov)

- Ranger Gottfried reported that his assistant ranger is leaving the area for another job. He will be by himself until a replacement can be hired.

**FTCC** Steve Drew, E-Mail: [drews@faytechcc.edu](mailto:drews@faytechcc.edu)

- No report.

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

- No report.

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

- No report.

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

- No report

- Assistant County Manager Jackson was not able to attend due to the scheduled County Commissioners meeting but send his apologies and wished the entire membership a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year holiday.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** Fire Commissioner Jimmy Keefe

- Fire Commissioner Keefe was attending the scheduled County Commissioners meeting and was not able to attend. He did send apologies and wished the entire membership and their families and departments a Merry Christmas and a joyous and prosperous New Year Holiday.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:**

- President Johnson reminded everyone to please be safe during the upcoming holiday season and in particular the use of proper safety procedures when working in and around the highways and roadways.
- President Johnson read a thank you card that was received from Chief Melvin's family thanking everyone for the floral arrangement and their thoughts and prayers.
- Chief Parrish announced that Assistant Chief Locklear has been selected by the City of Kinston NC to be there new Fire Chief. The Association wishes Chief Locklear best wishes in his future endeavors.
- President Johnson announced that Interim Spring Lake Fire Chief Jason Williams was appointed permanent Fire Chief on December 1, 2018.
- In closing President Johnson thanked all the Chiefs and Officers in attendance for their continued service not only to their fire districts but also to our county and association over the past year and wished each a very heartfelt Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Years.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made to adjourn by Chief Nobles and seconded by Chief Brock. The meeting was adjourned at 2005 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 - 1**

1. Roll call



## CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION ROLL CALL 2018



<b>MEMBERS PRESENT (19)</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PRESENT (11)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>
Cumberland County Fire Chiefs Department's / Organization's	Jan 22, 2018	Feb 26, 2018	Mar 26, 2018	Apr 23, 2018	May 21, 2018	Jun 25, 2018	Jul 23, 2018	Aug 27, 2018	Sep 24, 2018	Oct 22, 2018	Nov 26, 2018	Dec 17, 2018
<b>Departments</b>												
BEAVER DAM, STATION 26 & 27	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
BETHANY, STATION 12	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
COTTON, STATION 4	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
CUMBERLAND ROAD, STATION 5	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
EASTOVER, STATION 1	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
EMS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES	P	P	A	P	A	A	A	P	A	A	A	P
FAYETTEVILLE FIRE DEPT	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
FORT BRAGG FIRE DEPT	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	E	E	E	P	P
GODWIN – FALCON, STATION 17	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
GRAYS CREEK, STATION 18	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
GRAYS CREEK, STATION 24	A	P	A	A	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
HOPE MILLS, STATION 21	P	A	P	A	P	P	P	E	E	A	A	E
PEARCE'S MILL, STATION 3	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
SPRING LAKE, STATION 22	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P
STEDMAN, STATION 23	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
STONEY POINT, STATION 13 & 19	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
VANDER, STATION 2 & 8	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
WADE, STATION 16	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
WESTAREA, STATION 15, 20 & 25	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
<b>Associate Organization's</b>												
CC MANAGERS OFFICE	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
CC COMMISSIONERS	E	P	P	A	E	A	P	P	P	A	P	E
CC EMERGENCY SERVICES	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
FORESTRY	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P
FORT BRAGG EMS	A	P	P	P	A	P	A	P	A	P	P	P
FTCC	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
HAZMAT	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A
HIGHWAY PATROL	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
RETIRED FIRE CHIEF'S	P	A	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	A	P	P
SHERIFF'S OFFICE	A	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P
FAYETTEVILLE POLICE								P	P	A	P	P

**Special Notes:**

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