

Cumberland County Fire Chief's Association

Minutes of September 28, 2009 Monthly Meeting

The meeting was hosted by Spring Lake FD, Station #22 and was held at the town's community center. We thank Chief Doberstein and his staff for their hospitality.

Opening Prayer: Chaplin Mike Cassanova provided the opening prayer.

Roll Call: Roll call was conducted with 21 Departments and 7 Associate members present.

Members Absent: Hope Mills, Pope AFB, Linden

Associate Members Absent: NC Forestry, SBI, Sheriff's Office,

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the August meeting were approved as presented.

Guests: Richard Clark, Fort Bragg EMS

Vendors Present: None

Treasurer's Report: Finance reports were sent to the auditors for review

Meeting Point of interests:

Next Chief's Meeting will be held October 26, 2009 and hosted by **EMS**. The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm at EMS base. There will be a demonstration of the new CAD system presented by the CAD vendor. Please bring one board member with you to the meeting.

- President Johnson advised the membership that the participation in the hospitals premier purchasing program was proving successful for those that are participating.
- The fire contract is again being reviewed by the County Attorney's office. President Johnson will advise further on same as soon as he receives further information from Neil Yarborough.
- President Johnson and Chief Steven Blackburn reminded everyone that the memorial service will be held on October 17, 2009. Please represent this event with attendance from your department.
- Station 24 will have their mobile air unit in service in the near future.
- Please return the Firefighters Relief Fund information to the County no later than the end of the month.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The foam has been purchased and is due in by mid October. President Johnson advised the membership that the old foam will be available for training purposes and that the new foam in the trailers should not be used for training purposes.
- President Johnson advised the membership that he is still awaiting the response from the grant administrators to determine the exact amount the association will have to refund to the Federal Government for the radio extended warranty contract. The warranty contract was not allowed by grant guidelines.
- The new style of ID cards was reviewed by the membership. Please send your patch to President Johnson in a JPEG file for conversion into the ID card program.
- Chief Roye advised the membership that CFVH administrators are still reviewing issues regarding the professionalism of the deceased body recovery unit. If you experience problems in the field, please let Chief Roye know.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chief Kevin Herndon inquired about the accountability standard operating procedure guideline. President Johnson stated that he would e-mail the dog tag accountability SOG utilized by the Fayetteville Fire Department via e-mail. We will discuss further at the October meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ID CARD COMMITTEE Lt. Tara Johnson (Stoney Point) Chairperson

- **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

- Chief J.F. Hall reminded everyone of the upcoming Fire Prevention Week. He would like to see better advertisement of Fire Prevention activities in the future.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE Chief B. Bullard (Stedman) Chairperson

- None

STANDARDS & POLICY COMMITTEE Chief K. Hall (Cumberland Road) Chairperson

- No report.

TRAINING COMMITTEE Chief P. Strahan (Westarea) Chairperson

- No report.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE Chief S. Blackburn (Ft. Bragg) Chairperson

- Please support the Memorial program on October 17, 2009.

AUTOMATIC AID/MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE Chief Ake (Beaver Dam) Chairperson

- No report

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

- No report.

RESCUE COMMITTEE Deputy Chief Freddy Johnson Jr. (Stoney Point) Chairperson

- No report

EASTERN FIRE SCHOOL Chief R. Marley (Pearces Mill) Chairperson

- No report.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS REPORT

EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR/ ECC-911 Kenny Curry, Director

- Director Currie advised that the CAD was being set up and should be operational by December. Some departments still need to get your department information turned in so that the CAD information can be up loaded.

EMS DIRECTOR: Michael Roye, Director

- Doctor Reid has resigned to pursue other endeavors.

HAZMAT BC Hieu Sifford, FFD - POC telephone for HAZMAT is 433-1729

- No report

FORESTRY DISTRICT Ranger (TBD)

- No report.

FTCC Ernest Ward

- No report.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE Sheriff Butler

- No report.

HIGHWAY PATROL

- No report

CHRISTIAN FIREFIGHTERS Chaplain Cassanova

- Chaplain Cassanova requested everyone to attend the Memorial Service on October 17, 2009

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Fire Commissioner Ed Melvin

- No report.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

Director Currie received the Director of the Year award from APCO.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn by Chief Strahan, seconded by Chief Rozier. The meeting adjourned at approximately 2030Hours.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Fire Chief / President

Mark A. Melvin

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Deputy Fire Chief / Secretary