



# NORTHERN CHESTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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C/O RIDGE FIRE COMPANY

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## **March Advisory Board Notes 03/7/2019.**

### **DES Report:**

- County Chief Notification Procedure Review:
  - o Load Notification into CAD and send down to station printer and 3<sup>rd</sup> party messaging service.
  - o After 7mins of no response Dispatchers will send out a text message through Everbridge
  - o After an additional 4 mins of no response the Dispatcher will hit the Officer Tones.
- Drill Type Codes: Sub Types for Fire, EMS, Police. Notifications will be sent to the Chief Officer. Should be distributed internally as the Fire Officer deems to their EMS Officers. EMS only stations County is working on a notification for their officers.
- Full DES Report provided in the CCFCA Meeting and not the Advisory Board Meeting.

### **Districts:**

North- Next meeting is at 64 on March 13<sup>th</sup> with the Elected Officials.

South – Meet Next Week

East – Met last week at Radnor

Central- Meet in April at Thorndale

West- Meet in March

Fire Police – Next Meeting May 5<sup>th</sup>. March's meeting was cancelled due to the weather.

EMS Council- Looking into forming an EMS Task Force. This will be an umbrella for the Tactical EMS Group, Special Events, Large Events and Incident Assists, and Strike Teams.

- Looking to have notification for the Large Events and Incident Assists. Looking to institute more standard and procedural training and resources at incidents.

EMS Officers are also requesting officer tones set off for certain type codes. They are working on this policy and will be presenting to the Advisory Board for review when ready.

### **Old Business:**

- ByPass Terminology: Most districts haven't met yet for total feedback, but the Advisory Board didn't see an issue with pursuing. New Castle County uses a similar procedure. (Ex. Eng 2-1 Enroute, put Amb 2-2 on ByPass). Groups report back if there is large objection for their districts.

- RIT: Chuck brought up about making sure your RIT is not coming from the same companies on your 1<sup>st</sup> Alarm Assignment. Districts to take back and recommend to the Fire Chiefs to review this on your boxes.
- Numbering of Substations:
  - o Numbering Committee sticking with the current substation number policy of the 100, 200, 300 series followed by the home station number. Ex Ambulance 44, 144 and 244.

New Business:

- Operations Committee will be reviewing equipment standards policy.
- Gerry brought up about recommending that System Channell (OPS1, OPS2, Etc) be used for Fire Group Operations for FF Safety and to get full use of the system. Remember System Channels go out to the 911 system and the Emergency Button notifies the Dispatchers. There were concerns about in some residences and buildings where the system channels due not reach into the basement or interiors of certain structures. The simplex channels Fire Digital 1 and FD1 do a better job at this, but do not reach out to the county if a Mayday is declared or ER button activated. County will be looking to turn off FD1 at somepoint. They are going to be providing a date some Companies can plan, but start to get companies use to using Fire D1 or Fire D2 over FD1.