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C/O RIDGE FIRE COMPANY

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September Advisory Board Notes 09/02/2021.

DES Report:

- 10 investigation, 6 notifications. Full Time position is open, received a wide range of applicants. 3 Hazmat Responses, 1 notification. Going through PEMA recertification.
- Locution - Samples provided to AB.
- Drill Notifications and Advisory Level Chief Notifications – Looking at the policies to see about doing a Dispatch and Clear type procedure. AB said to move forward with looking at revising.
- Refresh with Fire Dispatchers on automatic Rescue Task Force dispatch criteria. Also not getting the RIT notifications announced during some dispatches.
- Staffing Shortages - May hear staff doing dispatching. Working on getting more classes and positions filled due to retirements and dispatcher shortages.
- Cecil County Radio Interoperability - having a delay in connectivity issues.
- Vaccine – CCHD Working on Booster Shot Allocations. Tower Health is offering Booster COVID 19 Shots in the Phoenixville Area.
- Montco Compatibility - LID Share Agreements are in place. Waiting for Montco to complete their radio programing.
- Lancaster County - Cambridge section of Sadsbury Township, working on adding in the some of the boxes into Lancaster CAD for areas covered by Lancaster Stations.
- LEWIS Env - Air Boat is available for emergency use at no charge, get ahold of Steve Pelna if needed. Its not being entered into CAD as a resource.
- Fire Training - Looking at increasing class costs. Max increase would be \$200 for in county stations.
- Hurricane IDA - Preliminary numbers 567 incidents in the last 24 hours. 230 Water Rescues. Normal for Fire side is 180 incidents a day.
- MPS Issues during Storms - Down First Net Towers so limited connectivity, maxed out the Internet Pipe from DES to MPS, High volume of incidents.

Districts:

- **North** – Met in July at 68. Meeting at Limerick’s new Linfield Station on Sept 8th.
- **South** - Nothing to report, Took July Off
- **East** – Finishing up their resource list
- **West** – Hasn’t Met
- **Central** – Nothing to Report, Meet Next Month.
- **EMS** - Ops Meeting coming up, discussed status checks when enroute to hospital or out at hospital, not necessary. Reviewing new dispatching sequences.
- **Fire Police** - Nothing to Report, Cancelled the Picnic.
- **RTF** - Everyone did well with the flooding. Attended some Collapse Trainings. Need a new plan with funding.
- **FTF** - Not Present

Old Business:

- Gas Meter - Shipping on the 17th. Distribution will be from district stations
- Ops Committee: Had computer issues and looking to recover the data.
- Strategic Plan. RFP is out for the Project Manager to help.
- Numbering Committee – Is discussing Bariatric Ambulances with 87 and will have more for the group. Apparatus designations is wrapped up and turned over to Ops Committee.

New Business:

- BYLaw Revisions are in progress. John Brill will bring to the group to review.
- Locution Paging: The AB got to hear some samples and is working out dispatch sequence. North would like to keep with same sequence we have now. Need to hear more samples which Gerry will be sending out.