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Northern Chester County Fire Chiefs association C/O Ridge Fire Company 480 Ridge Rd. \* Spring City, PA 19475

## Minutes for the January 13, 2010 meetings

#### PCH Foundation Meeting

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Brian M. Gallagher at the Ridge Fire Company at 19:30 hours.

The pledge to the flag was conducted and a moment of silence observed for all fallen fire fighters.

#### Attendance:

An attendance sheet was circulated with  ${f 27}$  members from  ${f 14}$  departments and two representative from CCDES.

#### Previous meetings minutes:

The minutes had been circulated electronically previous to the meeting. A motion was made by Jeff Kimes (73) and seconded by Andy Inhoff (64) to approve the minutes as circulated and forego reading them, all in favor.

#### New business:

January 20th the PCHF is having an awards presentation I Phoenixville.

Lynn Hartman, Stated that there will be some funding available for grants in 2010 from the PCHF.

Jim Gable (65) asked if the PCHF mini grants were to be available again in 2010? Not sure at this time, we will need to check into it.

Jeff Kimes (73) brought up and discussed the idea of a PCHF grant toward training DVD's. The set would be at LCFC and available to the regional group. A motion was made by Todd Bliss (63) and seconded by Keith Romig (69) to proceed, all in favor.

Invoices for the 2010 dues are being handed out tonight to those in attendance, the remainder will be in the mail this week.

## Old Business:

Safety trailer and truck updates.

- o Belfor decal has been added to the tailgate of the truck.
- Officers are still working to come up with ways to utilize the truck and get some miles on it to prevent more problems.
- o Trailer is on schedule to be opened and cleaned in the spring.

#### Close:

Being no further business to conduct a motion was made by Jim Gable and seconded by Jeff Kimes (73) to adjourn, all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 19:36 hours.

## Northern Chester County Fire Chiefs Association Meeting

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Brian M. Gallagher at the Ridge Fire Company at 19:36 hours.

#### Roll Call of Officers:

President Brian M. Gallagher, Vise president Devin Guth in attendance. Treasurer Evan Taylor unavailable on business.

#### Special presentation:

The meeting was started by a presentation from Doug Hughes from Paoli Hospital on their new trauma program.

- o They are currently "trauma ready" as required, but not yet accredited.
- o Their expected official open date is October 2011.

## Previous meetings minutes:

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#### Treasurers report:

The treasurer's report including a year-end report was read. A motion was made to accept the reports by Cory Hostetler (69) and seconded by Scott Markley(73) all in favor.

Bills to be paid

o None

#### Advisory Board report:

No report from December meeting.

#### DES report:

- G. "Beau" Crowding, Deputy Director of Emergency Services for fire services was present and provided the following.
  - o Fire paging system is due for replacement. They are going to be looking for input from field users. A replacement system needs to be online by 2012
  - o The MDC re-Image for fire users is finally underway.
  - o SMU usage for privately owned chiefs vehicles is still in review by technical, but looks promising. The fire department will need to pay the associated programming and installation costs.
  - o The project to purchase and install an online networked version of FH software for the county is underway. DES is looking for a representative from each district to help.
  - o Credentialing program is held up by new federal regulations regarding the actual cards to be issued. Better that this happened just before handing out all the cards, than just after.

#### Old Business:

Devin Guth (73) stated the new radio advisory group is waiting on the county commissioners to formally approve their recommendation for the project management firm.

Regional training center was again discussed. PECO has no available sites they are willing to utilize. The possibility of using the Cromby facility was briefly discussed and found to not be an available option.

The Montgomery county stations:

- o Things are quiet overall.
- o They now have an online CAD interface that allows anyone to see certain aspects of calls.

Rehab Trailer are being purchased. Brian to take back to A.B. to see about one for an upcoming meeting.

#### New Business:

Jay Pollinger (61) agreed to by the representative from the North for the FH software project.

Devin Guth (73) discussed an upcoming pipeline awareness training. To be held at Welkinweer on Prizer Rd. 1/28/2010.

Greeted and welcomed all new officers for 2010.

Rescue 63 is close to going in service. More to come.

At the March NCCFCS meeting we will be inviting the state representatives again.

#### For the good of the organization:

## Close:

Being no further business to conduct a motion was made by Jeff Kimes (73) and seconded by Andy Inhof (64) to adjourn, all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 21:30 hours.

January 13,2010 Devin Guth

NCCFCA Vice President