



# **NORTHERN CHESTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION**

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C/O RIDGE FIRE COMPANY  
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## **Minutes for the January 14, 2015 Meetings**

### **PCH Foundation Meeting**

#### **Call to Order:**

- The meeting was called to order by President Evan Taylor at the Ride Fire Co. at 1915Hrs.
- The pledge to the flag was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

#### **Attendance:**

- An attendance sheet was circulated with 22 members from 12 departments.

#### **Previous Meeting Minutes:**

- A motion was made by Jeff Kimes (73) and seconded by Denny Miller (51) to approve the minutes as circulated and forego reading them, all in favor.

#### **New Business:**

Lynn Hartman: Could not make it tonight. They are currently doing surveys to see about interest for the tuition assistance program.

#### **Old Business:**

- 501c3 status: making progress, but remember this is a long process up to 9-10 months. There is currently a lack of manpower to review the applications.

#### **Safety Truck & Trailer:**

- Stored at Station 69 for the Winter
- Need to fix some items before this season
- Need to follow up with Bullex and Glen on the generator and costs of the service contract for the budget.
- Still need more advertisements for the trailer and truck.

## **Correspondence:**

- Received a holiday card from Fire Line Equipment

## **Good of the Company:**

- Station 63 has showed interest in maintaining membership with the Assoc. They were sent their invoice for dues and penalties. Station 98 has not replied to the letters and emails sent to date.
- Being no further business a motion for adjournment was made by Jay Pollinger (61) and seconded by Brian Gallagher (65), all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 1926hrs

# **Northern Chester County Fire Chiefs Association Meeting**

## **Call to Order:**

- The meeting was called to order by President Evan Taylor at the Ridge Fire Co. at 2026Hrs

## **Roll Call of Officers:**

- All Executive Officers were present

## **Previous Meeting Minutes:**

- A motion was made by Ed Walters (61) and seconded by Marty Blumenthal (73) to approve the November minutes as circulated and forego reading them, all in favor.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

- November's Starting Balance of \$6,017.17 as of 10/25/2014
- Deposits of \$1,000.85 Belfor Contribution and Interest
- Credits of \$575.10 Meeting Food, Safety Trailer, Lawyer Fees, and Fuel.
- Ending Balance of \$6,442.92 as of 11/25/2014
- December's Starting Balance of \$6,442.92 as of 11/25/2014
- Deposits of \$0.78 (Interest)
- Credits of \$0.00
- Ending Balance of \$6,443.70 as of 12/25/2014
- Need to contact Will Clemens (54) to turn off the auto renewal of the Norton Antivirus on the notebooks from Wyeth.
- Treasurer's Report stand and approved as read

## **Correspondence:**

- New Contact information from MICU 83/325 Ambulance.

### **CCFCA Advisory Board Report:**

- Advisory Board Meeting Notes were distributed prior to the meeting.
- RIT Policy and deciding RIT Companies for the default period was discussed.
- Need to have all your pagers and members in Enterprise Wizard to receive the new MDCs
- DES Director Bobby Kagel discussed ongoing delays with the new CAD.
- 3 new MDCs per station
- Pictometry Online Maps program was demonstrated
  - Glen asked if the Montgomery County stations could access.
    - Will check with DES at the January AB meeting.

### **DES Report: Mike Holmes**

- December and 2014 Year End Fire Marshal's Reports were provided.
  - Need to watch with posting pictures of fire investigation scenes and when providing or posting information state that the fire is under investigation and refer all requests to the FM's office.
- 21 of the 27 tower sites are released to Harris for equipment to be installed
- The "brains" of the Harris system are online and talking
- Training Facility: Major construction is complete, prop and electrical work continues. Paving to be finished in the spring.
- CAD is waiting on the new update.

### **Technical Division:**

- Nothing to report

### **Funeral Committee:**

- Have not received the latest from Chaplain Schwartz. Chuck Fields (61) has submitted additional questions to be incorporated.

### **Old Business:**

- Need numbers from each station for AEDs that are needed. Let Glen know and he will administer the grant.
- Jay brought up about doing the regional MDC grant for both MontCo and Chester County stations.
- MICU 83 and 84 radio use.
  - MICU 83: Has improved since last meeting

- MICU 84: Need to get a response from Keith Simpkins.
  - Chuck Hipple (64) and Ray Kolb (62) is working to get the information relayed to DES.
- Chuck (61) brought up about MICU 83, 84, and 85 getting dispatched by MontCo and Chester is not being included in the dispatching.
- Still getting interference on the dispatch channel. Most prevalent in the North. Seems like computer generated noise. TVFD has reported hearing outside conversations on the dispatch channel. Will bring up at the AB meeting.

### **New Business:**

- The RIT procedure was discuss on how the new CAD will decide RIT during the default period. The group decided to user the RIT requirement on the 1<sup>st</sup> alarm as an extra manpower and apparatus piece. The North will utilize the on deck system for RIT operations. Each station present provided a piece of apparatus to be logged into CAD.
- Evan would like to take our Political Endorsement Policy to the CCFCA level to see if they will adopt.
- EMS Numbering:
  - Need to look at how the 100 and 200 series of Ambulances are getting out of control and move towards a system of designating the unit as from the station it is housed at.

### **Good of the Company:**

- Fire House Software Training: January 24<sup>th</sup> at PSTC
- February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 at DES: New officers orientation
- 2015 Projects: New MDC and AED Grants
- Glen Russell (54) stated that we need to look into a new truck for the safety trailer in the near future.
- Motion was made by Marty Blumenthal (73) and Denny Rumler (51) to approve up to a \$150 gift for Brian Gallagher's years of service to the Association.

### **Close:**

- Being no further business to conduct a motion was made by Joel McMillan (62), and seconded by Roger Kolb (62) for adjournment at 2051 Hrs, all in favor. The next meeting will be at Station 62 on March 11, 2015.

January 14, 2015,

Jonathan Brackbill

NCCFCA Secretary