



# NORTHERN CHESTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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C/O RIDGE FIRE COMPANY  
480 RIDGE RD. SPRING CITY, PA. 19475 - 9678

## Minutes for the March 8, 2023, Meetings

### PCH Foundation Meeting

#### Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Walters at the Ridge Fire Co at 1907Hrs.
- The pledge to the flag was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

#### Attendance:

- An attendance sheet was circulated with 21 members from 12 Departments.

#### Previous Meeting Minutes:

- A motion was made by Jeff Kimes (73) and seconded by Ray Kolb (62) to approve the minutes as circulated and forego reading them, all in favor.

#### New Business:

- Jeff Kimes (73) reminded the group that 73 has the FF1 & FF2 DVDs for use. Please use.

#### Old Business:

- Art of Reading Smoke Class, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at OJR Middle School.
  - Roger Kolb (62) has OJR MS reserved, Ridge provided the insurance to the School District.
  - Chuck Hipple (64) said Norco will handle getting the food for the class
  - Chuck Fields (61) and Glen Russell (51) are handling dinner with Phil Friday night.
  - Please get the word out to get signed up. Glen will get it distributed to Montco.

#### Safety Truck & Trailer:

- Trailer was wrapped and plugged in for the Winter at Ridge. Thank you to BELFOR for wrapping the trailer.

### **Correspondence:**

- None

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

- Remember of the grants available through PCHF
- With no further business to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Jay Pollinger (61) and seconded by Ray Kolb (62). All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 1924 Hours

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

### **Call to Order:**

- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Walters at the Ridge Fire Co. at 1924Hrs.

### **Roll Call of Officers:**

- All present except for Jules.

### **Previous Meeting Minutes:**

- A motion was made by Jeff Kimes (73) and seconded by Jay Pollinger (61) to approve the January minutes as circulated and forgo reading them. All in Favor.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

- January's Beginning Balance: \$18,025.73 as of 12/25/2022
- Deposits of \$0.00 and \$1.68 Interest
- Credits of \$285.00 Trailer Insurance, \$110.00 Meeting Refreshments
- January's Ending Balance: \$17,436.90 as of 01/25/2023
- February's Starting Balance of \$17,436.90 as of 01/25/2023
- Deposits of \$0.00 and \$1.45 Interest
- February's Ending Balance of \$17,438.35 as of 02/25/2023.
- Dues are coming in.
- The Treasurer's report will stand approved as read.

### **Correspondence:** None

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

- February and March AB Highlights were distributed.
- New Paging System – Looking to stick with VHF paging and looking at funding
- Pulse Point Verified Responder: Android users now have the updated version. Feedback should be sent through the Fire Chiefs Association.

- Stations still needing to switch from Squad to Utility: 48, 61, 77, 65, & 69. Please send your update to [CADUpdate@Chesco.org](mailto:CADUpdate@Chesco.org).
- EV and Lithium Battery Fires were discussed. An EV Task Force Advisory Group is being formed. Gerry was working on a Rep from Downingtown to represent.

### **DES Report:** Justin McClure

- Mobile Data – 640 Installations completed to date. Priority being given to oMG 2000’s left in the field experiencing issues. The password for the WIFI has not changed, but only 12 devices can connect at a time.
- Locution – No change from last month
- CAD: CAD Outage February 12
  - Shortly after midnight, DES technicians received a disc failure alarm for the CAD database servers.
  - At 0219 hours, after consulting with Hexagon’s Help Desk and under their direction, files which were believed to be causing a space-issue on the affected servers were deleted.
  - The deletion of these files caused the CAD database to stop functioning as designed, resulting in a county-wide CAD outage.
  - Telecommunicators in the 911 Center immediately initiated backup procedures to process and dispatch calls for service.
  - Basic CAD operations were restored at 0455 hours, with full operations except for PulsePoint and WebCAD at 0700 hours.
  - 911 Center has entered each of the incidents received during the down time into the CAD system, with the initial event remarks prefaced as “DELAYED ENTRY”
  - ACCIDENT/AIR and ACCIDENT/STRUCTURE Type Codes went live on March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Montgomery County Radio Programming: Any other agencies who believe they require the cross programming should reach out to Devin Guth

### **FM & HazMat Report:** Justin McClure

- February Fire Services Data
  - FMs 14 Investigations, 10 Notifications
  - Hazmat – 1 Team Responses, 1 Duty Officer Responses and 1 Notifications

### **Old Business:**

- CCFCA Ops Committee – Josh Spangler, Jonathan Brackbill (AB)
  - Working to get manpower units (Squads) switched over to Utilities and free up the Squad designation for Rescue Pumpers. Please submit your change to [CADUpdate@Chesco.org](mailto:CADUpdate@Chesco.org). Rescues will have a self-assessment form to be completed attesting to if you have a Rescue meeting the new requirements or a Squad/Utility. Working on CAD updates to default responses requiring Rescues.
  - Nothing further on Automatic Make Ups

### **New Business:**

- Adam DeNicolo (DES) was not able to make the meeting tonight due to a family emergency. He plans to attend the May meeting to provide an overview of the CAD system.

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

- Montco Report:
  - June 7<sup>th</sup> Limerick Golf Outing
  - Glen Russell (51) said when responding into Montco for assists please announce your staffing level. Request minimum of 4 qualified FFs for assist calls.
- Friendship Dive/Rescue Station 77 expressed interest in joining the North under invite from other member stations. 2023 dues check provided. Motion made by Jay Pollinger (61) and seconded by Rich Hughes (M68) to bring station 77 into the North. All in Favor.
- May meeting at Ridge on May 10<sup>th</sup>

### **Close:**

- Being no further business to conduct a motion was made by Josh Spangler (69) and seconded by Richard Hedrick (62) for adjournment at 2010Hrs, all in favor. The next meeting will be at the Ridge Fire Co on May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

March 8th, 2023,

Jonathan Brackbill

NCCFCA Secretary