



NORTHERN CHESTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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C/O RIDGE FIRE COMPANY
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Minutes for the November 08, 2023, Meetings

PCH Foundation Meeting

Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Walters at the Ludwigs Corner Fire Co at 1900Hrs.
- The pledge to the flag was recited and a moment of silence was observed for the recent LODD.

Attendance:

- An attendance sheet was circulated with 16 members from 8 Departments.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

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

New Business:

- Vivian sent out a reminder on the Fire Commissioners Grant.
- Looking for a spot to store the safety trailer for winter. Preferably inside.

Old Business:

- Safety Trailer Upgrades and Funding. Glen is working on grants for these upgrades.

Safety Truck & Trailer:

- Richard is not getting reports of use from recent events.
- Got a report of the generator not working well and needs service.
- Trailer was returned to Ridge and plugged in, but Roof Vent was left on and heater was on.

Correspondence:

- None

Good of the Company:

- With no further business to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Ray Kolb (62) and seconded by Rich Hughes (99). All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 1908 Hours.

Northern Chester County Fire Chiefs Association Meeting

Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Walters at the Ludwigs Corner Fire Co. at 1908Hrs.

Roll Call of Officers:

- All present except for Pete.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

- A motion was made by Ray Kolb (62) and seconded by Rich Hughes (99) to approve the September minutes as circulated and forgo reading them. All in Favor.

Treasurer's Report:

- September's Beginning Balance: \$15,986.95 as of 08/25/2023
- Deposits of \$0.00 and \$1.38 Interest
- Credits of \$67.26 Meeting Refreshments CK#381
- September's Ending Balance: \$15,921.07 as of 09/25/2023
- October's Starting Balance of \$15,921.07 as of 09/25/2023
- Deposits of \$150.00 (Training Reimbursement) and \$1.33 (Interest)
- Credits of \$0.00
- October's Ending Balance of \$16,072.40 as of 10/25/2023.
- The Treasurer's report motion for approval from Jeff Kimes (73) seconded by Jay Pollinger (61). All in favor.

Correspondence: Check Received from the missing attendee at the Art of Reading Smoke.

CCFCA Advisory Board Report:

- Assigning of ops channels: Reiterate the current procedure. OIC to ask Dispatcher for an available Ops channel. Some stations utilizing Simplex channels and don't want to cause confusion by automatically assigning them. Once OIC requests Ops channel that can be relayed on dispatch.
- Property Tax Rebate- If you run at multiple stations, you will need to be reported by both. If you and your significant other are active members and qualify for 25% and 25% they can qualify for 50% together as long as they are both listed on the same tax bill.

- If you have members attending county meetings, or committee meetings record it at your station as an activity for record keeping.
- If there are any ideas for assisting the members that are not homeowners bring it up the Chiefs Association.
- CCFCFA is asking for any support or ideas to help the training campus get a new Engine approved by the commissioners. Please send your ideas to Gerry or a member of the Chief's Association Board.
- BJ attended the Meeting and provided insight into the discussion on the Automatic Make up criteria and assigning of Ops Channels.

DES Report: Justin McClure

- County Property Tax Credit: Guidelines coming out and will range from a 10-100% based on a point system. Fire Company Spreadsheet due no later than February 15th - No Exceptions.
- New Pagers/Paging System – Put in for \$3 million for 2024 and 2025 budgets. Approval should be seen in Nov/Dec.

FM & HazMat Report: Justin McClure

- For October FMs 11 Investigations, 12 Notifications. Haz-Mat had 1 Team Response.

Old Business:

- CCFCFA Ops Committee – Josh Spangler, Jonathan Brackbill (AB)
 - Ops Committee went over a high-level draft of the new “Medium” Duty Rescue category.
 - Removed the large cribbing and extension ladder requirements.
 - Final Draft to be posted prior to a January Vote.

New Business:

- 73 made their fire dispatches one engine per stations. Looking for the pumper-tankers first. After that it is AVL.
- Meeting Schedule – January at Ridge. Will plan for the elected officials in May to coincide with the apparatus display.

Good of the Company:

- Montco Report: Nothing New. As anyone heard about the HAAS program? Alerts public drivers of approaching emergency services. Josh brought up about Pierce including it on all their apparatus and a 1-year subscription. We have heard it only alerts for drivers utilizing a mapping program at the time.

- Elections:
 - President – Jeff Kimes
 - Vice President – Julius Marosfalvi
 - Treasurer – Tome Pete Hornberger
 - Secretary – Jonathan Brackbill
- The Secretary will cast the single ballot. All in Favor.

Close:

- Being no further business to conduct a motion was made by Josh Spangler (69) and seconded by Jeff Kimes (73) for adjournment at 1959Hrs, all in favor. The next meeting will be at the Ridge Fire Co on January 10th, 2024.

November 8th, 2023,

Jonathan Brackbill

NCCFCA Secretary