

# Fire Chiefs' & Fire Fighters' Association of York County, Inc.

330 Emig Road  
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting  
3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

## Monthly Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2013

### **CALL TO ORDER (Vice President Joe Madzellan)**

Vice President Joe Madzellan called the monthly meeting of the York County Fire Chiefs and Firefighters Association to order at 17:03. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 29 people were in attendance.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Jim Herbert gave a brief informational presentation on the mission of the Voluntary Organization in Disaster (VOD) group and an upcoming workshop on "Hope in Crisis".

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice President Madzellan asked if there were any corrections to last month's minutes. With no corrections, the minutes were approved as issued.

### **REPORTS**

#### **Treasurer (Bob Bowman):**

Treasurer Bob Bowman presented the following report: Beginning Balance: \$8,165.02 with an Ending Balance: \$9,626.17. With no comments, Vice President Madzellan approved the Treasurer's Report as read.

**Board of Governors (John Senft):** The Board met this evening prior to this meeting and discussed the following:

Cash flow variances from last year / purchase and delivery of the new utility vehicle / county fire apparatus classifications / increased EMS involvement in the Association

#### **Fire School Administrator (Richard Halpin):**

August Fire School Training: 241 total hours / 141 for fire school classes.

The 9-11 Observance at Prospect Hill Cemetery was very nice and well attended.

The Firefighter II test and prep class are cancelled due to low registration.

The Firefighter I prep class is scheduled for Nov. 9-10 with the test scheduled for Nov. 22-23.

The fire prevention posters have been received and are being distributed.

The fire school subscription packages for 2014 are on the back table for pick-up. Those not picked up will be mailed.

The pavilion framing is erected and painted. The roof will follow later this week.

The modular classroom is waiting for final utility disconnection before being moved to the fire school.

The fire school is hosting a program on Worker's Compensation for Volunteers on Oct. 23. The PA Cancer Presumption Law will be discussed. It is being presented by General Insurance Agency and registration is through them.

## **OTHER AGENCY REPORTS**

### **911 Center (Eric Bistline/Julio Mendez):**

Cindy Deitz reported on the following:

Enterprise CAD: A software update was received that provided a change for the way the Master Station Order functions in regards to how units are pulled and deployed within the response plans. Response plans will now pull all available resources from the master station list before reverting to proximity dispatch. This means all additional alarms will be pulled from there until resources are depleted in that list. Units that fail will be pulled from there as well as additional resources requested on the scene. Master station lists should have 15-20 stations listed in order for each response area.

Cross Manning: A feature that we will be utilizing to prevent all of your engines or other pieces of apparatus you do not want pulled on a first alarm response in your first due area. This is not automatically applied; Chiefs will need to let us know what their wishes are in regards to this feature.

Mutual Aid Restriction: This option is used to prevent your station from being depleted on mutual aid calls. For example if you always want to keep one engine in your station when you are dispatched into another area for mutual aid you would use this option. Again this is not automatic; Chiefs will need to let us know if they want to use this.

Response Plans: The following stations' Response Plans are in CAD and can be seen (3, 4, 6, 7, 11, 25, 26, 33, 39, 61, 62, 69, York City). If you would like to test your plans please contact Cindy. YCDES will be setting up days when we can come and test in October.

Question from Chief 61: How are the units pulled from the master station list for second alarm? Do they go back and look at the first station in the master station list or begin with the first station in the master station list not utilized in the first alarm? Answer: This was tested and it goes back to the first station in the master station list and checks if the piece it is looking for is available from there, if not, it moves to the next station in the list.

### **PA State Police (Brad Dunham):**

Not present

### **ATR (John Sanford):**

Bob Sells reported that the ATR team had 2 calls for the month; a confined space involving an animal and a RIT dispatch.

### **Haz-Mat (Tom Graybill):**

The Haz-Mat team has had 40 calls for the year.

### **Fire Police (Jim Robertson):**

Not present

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Radio/Communications (Joe Madzelan):**

The BOG has combined the Radio and Standardization committees into one committee with the following appointed members: Joe Madzelan (Chairman), Dan Hoff, Tony Myers, Dave Nichols, Jeff Griffith, Larry Anderson, and Brad Dunham. The committee will appoint a delegate and a backup to attend the Work Group meetings.

**Fire School Committee (Bob Sells):**

Nothing to report.

**Fire Prevention (Steve Tawney):**

Not present

**Fundraising (John McDonald):**

Not present

**Rescue Inspection (Tim Mooney):**

Nothing to report.

**RIT (Brian Widmayer):**

Brian Bastinelli reported that Brian Widmayer is working on getting the committee together.

**By-Laws (Bob Sells):**

The next meeting is scheduled for Oct. 3. Another at-large member is needed to replace a vacancy. Contact Bob Sells if you are interested in helping.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Vice President Madzellan asked for a motion to pay the bills. Joe Yahnke made a motion. Tim Mooney seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Tim Mooney asked about the status of the I Am Responding issue with YCDES. Bob Sells reported that Steve Buffington reminded himself last month that he needs to contact our solicitor about this.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Tony Myers announced that he is resigning from the Rescue and LODD committees. Joe Madzellan requested volunteers to fill the now-vacant positions.

**REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:**

John Senft reported that the Can-Am Games are 9 months away. Posters are available in the lobby to take and post.

The next meeting will be Oct. 21, 2013 at 19:00 at Shiloh Fire Company, Station 2. Dinner will be served at 18:15.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice President Madzellan adjourned the meeting at 19:23.

Respectfully Recorded,

*Robert Sells*

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Board Secretary