

# 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

August 18, 2014

### **CALL TO ORDER (Treasurer Bob Bowman)**

In President Steve Buffington's absence, Treasurer Bob Bowman called the monthly meeting of the York County Fire Chiefs and Firefighters Association to order at 19:05. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 28 people were in attendance.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Michael Rose et al with Impact Disaster Services (IDS) gave a presentation on their company, noting that they are more than just a restoration company; they are also an insurance construction company. They also sponsored the ice cream truck for the meeting.

Randy Levan and Chris Haines with Hite Co., an electrical equipment distributor and COSTARS vendor, gave a presentation on fire station lighting upgrades and power company incentives. They showed various approved lighting types and noted that they can do energy audits and apply for rebates on behalf of the fire company.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Treasurer Bowman 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: \$4,270.88 with an Ending Balance: \$7,952.85. With no comments, The Treasurer's Report was approved as read.

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

Bob Sells presided over the meeting in Steve Buffington's absence; finances were reviewed; discussed appointments to the Fire School Committee; and discussed policies.

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

July Fire School Training: 265 hours / 92 for fire school classes.

Flyers for the 9/11 ceremony at Prospect Hill Cemetery are available. The plans for the Safe Keepers Memorial will be unveiled at the event. Contact Richard if you are bringing a piece of apparatus.

The propane prop project is ongoing.

Fire Prevention Week posters will be ordered within 2 weeks to be available for the September meeting. Get your name on the list if you would like to order them.

## **OTHER AGENCY REPORTS**

### **911 Center/YCDES (Julio Mendez):**

Some schedules will be changing at the 911 Center on Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be 3 supervisors per shift. The radio upgrade project is proceeding on schedule.

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

Brad is still taking calls/questions on the red/blue lights laws.

There will be a follow-up meeting on the recent house explosion call with the local fire companies.

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

The ATR team had 5 calls for the month and 27 calls for the year.

The team is sponsoring a water rescue class on Sept. 2, 3 and 5.

### **Haz-Mat/EMA (Ray Kinsey):**

The Haz-Mat team had 1 call for the month; and 31 calls for the year (8 stand-by, 12 responses, and 11 duty officer calls).

Ray discussed how the haz-mat team can play a role on accident calls (contacting clean-up companies) and fire/gas leak calls (air monitoring). Delays in contacting the duty officer can affect how much they can help. The duty officer can offer suggestions over the phone.

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

The last meeting in Dover had 23 companies, 46 members and 4 guests in attendance. The next meeting will be at Seven Valleys.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

Joe thanked those who responded to his email request asking for a list of dispatch issues. The committee did meet with 911 staff last week and they agreed to call in New World reps for a meeting to talk directly with members of the committee to generate solutions. Joe asked everyone to keep sending in issues.

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

A meeting will be scheduled once the committee list has been finalized.

### **Fire Prevention (Steve Tawney):**

Not present

### **Fundraising (John McDonald):**

Not present

### **Rescue Inspection (Tim Mooney):**

Not present

### **RIT Committee (Brian Widmayer)**

Brian reminded the group that the RIT inspection process policy was issued for review and needs to be acted on for approval. Rick Witten made a motion to approved the revised guidelines, Brian Widmayer seconded the motion and the motion carried. The RIT committee will send out notifications to the Association regarding company interest in being listed as a RIT resource and follow-up inspections.

**Public Safety Policy Board (Steve Buffington):**

Not present

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Treasurer Bowman asked for a motion to pay the bills. Jeff Furhman made a motion. Richard Halpin seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

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

The next meeting will be September 15, 2014 at 19:00 at the Fire School.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Treasurer Bowman adjourned the meeting at 20:47.

Respectfully Recorded,

*Robert Sells*

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Board Secretary