

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

330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday

Monthly Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2017

CALL TO ORDER (President Chad Deardorff)

President Chad Deardorff called the monthly meeting of the York County Fire Chiefs and Firefighters Association to order at 19:00. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 54 people were in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS

Rick Merck from Plumis gave a presentation on their Automist and Smartscan system that uses small domestic water lines, a pump and heat detector control to provide a fire extinguishing system that is now NFPA compliant and now accepted with the 2015 PA UCC update. Videos of system operation are available on the Plumis website. Rick and his partners also had demo equipment to view after the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Deardorff 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: \$ 13,967.96 with an Ending Balance: \$ 7,017.02. With no comments, President Deardorff approved the Treasurer's Report as read.

Board of Governors (Chad Deardorff): The Board met this evening prior to this meeting. The Association is financially stable.

Fire School Administrator (John Livingston):

November Fire School Training: 216 hours / 70 for fire school classes.

Two classes have been added to the calendar: Forgotten Engine Co. Culture on 1/17 and a YCFS 1403 class on 2/26.

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

911 Center/YCDES (Scott Keener):

All portable radios are out, but not all have mics. Radio inventory is still needed from some stations for LID assignments. Mobile installs are ongoing. Base station units will start going in with the remaining mobile units and will probably be completed in February.

PA State Police (Brad Dunham):

Brad's transfer to Gettysburg will be effective December 31st. Trooper Eicher will still be at the Loganville barracks as a part time fire marshal. Brad will still be available through the transition if any issues come up.

ATR (John Sanford):

The ATR team had 2 calls for the month; 44 calls for the year.

OEM (Tom Graybill):

No items

Haz-Mat (Ray Kinsey):

The Haz-Mat team had 9 calls for the month; 57 calls for the year.

Fire Police: ()

The organization is looking at pulling Homeland-Security-issued traffic equipment from companies not using it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Radio/Communications (Joe Madzellan):

The first paging subcommittee meeting will be January 10th at the 9-1-1 center.

Asked who is using Emergency Reporting and who might be interested in a reporting system that could be used to start fire reports in Emergency Reporting and Firehouse Software (times, apparatus, narrative). About 1/2 of those in attendance responded Yes. Joe reported that there is a significant cost to provide this and suggested trying to get it included in the County's 2019 budget. Joe will try to set up a demo and talk to the 9-1-1 center.

Reminder to remind personnel to check pagers for radio channel to respond on.

Eric Strittmatter commented again on the lack of an ownership agreement for the radio equipment, and also about fire police not knowing what channels to operate on.

Fire School Committee (Bob Sells):

Standing quarterly meetings will be scheduled with fire school administration.

Rescue Inspection (Tony Myers):

Inspections are continuing; 4 completed since the last meeting.

SOG Committee (Jim Pritchard):

Has received one response to interest. He will send an email after the 1st of the year asking again for volunteers.

Line of Duty Death Committee (Dan Hoff)

The document is getting ready for review.

Public Safety Policy Board (Chad Deardorff):

The last meeting was cancelled due to not have an agenda to discuss.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

President Deardorff asked for a motion to pay the bills. Joe Stevens made a motion. Ray Kinsey seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Eric Strittmatter reported that the Nominating Committee has only received interest from 1 person per position so far; from those that are already in office. Any interest should be sent to elections@ycfs.us.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

Chad Deardorff noted that any fundraising events that a company wants to be posted on the Association Facebook page can be sent to him.

The next meeting will be January 15, 2018 at 19:00 at Hellam Fire Company Sta. 21 with dinner being served at 18:15.

ADJOURNMENT

President Deardorff adjourned the meeting at 20:17.

Respectfully Recorded,

Robert Sells

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Board Secretary