

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

330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday

Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2018

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 19:05. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 42 people were in attendance.

Dave Cox of Hellam Fire Co. welcomed the Association to their station. President Deardorff thanked the fire company for their hospitality and the meal.

Election nominations were opened and closed per procedure. There were no additional nominees beyond the incumbents. Being no contested positions, President Deardorff requested a motion to accept the nominations. Eric Strittmatter made a motion. Dave Michaels seconded the motion and the motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

Bob Straw with the 2018 Firefighter's Association Parade Committee reported on his challenge to have the biggest parade ever. He reviewed initial plans for the parade divisions and handed out registration forms.

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 \$ 7,017.02 with an ending balance of \$ 9,219.25. 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. Finances are stable.

Fire School Administrator (John Livingston):

For 2017, there were 23,185 total hours of training by 1250 students.

A Bus Rescue class has been added to the schedule.

An open house for Richard Halpin's retirement is scheduled for February 2nd.

Richard Halpin reported that the new confidence maze will have thermal imaging cameras. He also noted that he has enjoyed the past 7 years as the Fire School Administrator.

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

911 Center/YCDES (Scott Keener):

See items under Radio Committee.

PA State Police (Brad Dunham):

York County is now part of Troop J. All stations can keep sending red/blue light lists to Brad and he will forward to the Troop.

ATR (John Sanford):

The ATR team had 1 call for the month; 45 calls for the year.

OEM (Tom Graybill):

Not present

Haz-Mat (Ray Kinsey):

Not present

Fire Police (Jim Robertson):

No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Radio/Communications (Brad Dunham):

Brad reported that accessory order responses for the new radio has been slow; items ordered in August still have no delivery dates. He suggested that the Association take a position that the old radio system not be turned off until all departments are made whole with equipment.

Chad Deardorff reported that some installed base stations have been found to be incompatible with in-station paging systems. YCDES is working on solutions. Also, those with control stations are waiting for a plan to be developed.

Eric Strittmatter noted concerns about patching with out-of-county mutual aid companies; they are still not working.

Chad Deardorff reported that YCDES will have to touch the radios 1 or 2 more times.

Scott Keener reported that they still need to know about mobiles that have not been installed yet and that they are still committed to switching off the old system at the end of February.

Scott reported that information has been sent to surrounding counties for programming needed for patching.

Fire School Committee (Bob Sells):

No report

Rescue Inspection (Tony Myers):

Not present

SOG Committee (Jim Pritchard)

No update

Line of Duty Death Committee (Dan Hoff)

No report

Public Safety Policy Board (Chad Deardorff):

No meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

President Deardorff asked for a motion to pay the bills. Dan Hoff made a motion. Dave Michaels seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The election results were read by Secretary Sells:

President – Chad Deardorff
Vice President – Brad Dunham
Secretary – Bob Sells
Treasurer – Bob Bowman
Assistant Treasurer – Richard Halpin
Governor (2018-2020) – Barry Myers

NEW BUSINESS:

Brad Dunham made a motion that the Association take a position that the old radio system not be turned off until all accessories have been delivered. Pat Noll seconded the motion and the motion carried. President Deardorff will to discuss this with the county administrator.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

The next meeting will be February 19, 2018 at 19:00 at the Fire School.

ADJOURNMENT

President Deardorff adjourned the meeting at 19:39.

Respectfully Recorded,

Robert Sells

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Board Secretary