

# 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 20, 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 19:00. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 40 people were in attendance.

President Deardorff thanked Jerry Poland and VFIS for providing dinner before the meeting.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Chuck Harmon from First Response Task Force gave a presentation on their insurance services, noting that they have military-grade benefits with no exclusions compared to commercial-grade benefits and exclusions.

Chris Krichten with WellSpan Emergency Management described their Disaster Response Team capabilities for rehab services and noted that they are willing to respond to incidents if requested.

### **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 \$ 9,246.32 with an ending balance of \$ 3,646.72 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.

#### **Fire School Administrator (John Livingston):**

July Fire School Training: Total 1160 hours for the month..

A basic fire police class is scheduled to start Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>.

Reminder to use the registration email address. Heather's email address will be shut down soon.

### **OTHER AGENCY REPORTS**

#### **911 Center/YCDES (Scott Keener):**

Warranties for radios may be extended from 2 years to 3 years depending on the type. Warranties on accessories will end in October.

Lease agreements are long overdue. The County Solicitor is looking at options for those who have not returned them.

The paging upgrade to IP is done and went smoothly.

There has been no word from the Paging Committee since May on proceeding with the digital paging interface. The County Commissioners are willing to pay for it if the end-users will purchase the pagers. Tony Myers replied that the committee was not given that information.

The remaining radios have been ordered. There is no ETA.

Station speaker installation is ongoing with pre-installs being completed.

**PA State Police (XXX):**

Not present

**ATR (John Sanford):**

The ATR team had 12 calls for the month; 34 calls for the year (2 were not reported last month).

**OEM (Dan Santoemma):**

Gave an update on Mike Fetrow.

There is an emergency planning meeting tomorrow that is open to the public.

**Haz-Mat (Ray Kinsey):**

The Haz-Mat team had 5 calls for the month; 27 calls for the year.

**Fire Police (Jim Robertson):**

Not present

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

EMD dispatches to overdose/AED responses were reviewed and decided to leave as-is.

The iPad/CAD app is being tested.

New apparatus radio designations are going well with respect to completed information and test reports.

There has been no discussion on the MVA vs. farm rescue issue.

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

There is a committee meeting scheduled for August 27<sup>th</sup> at 19:00 at the Fire School.

**Rescue Inspection (Tony Myers):**

Progress

**SOG Committee (Ira Walker for Jim Pritchard)**

The accountability SOG is complete and will be emailed to the Association for review. The Dropbox is still being set up.

**Line of Duty Death Committee (Dan Hoff)**

No items

**Public Safety Policy Board (Chad Deardorff):**

Meeting was cancelled.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Tony Myers made a motion to approve a 2-tone voice paging system as a backup for the county alerting system with pager purchases being the responsibility of the end users and the cost of the CAD interface and software being handled by the County of York. Eric Strittmatter seconded the motion and the motion carried. A follow-up question was asked about the cost of the pagers with a response in the \$450-500 range (comparable to the current Motorola Minitor 6 cost).

President Deardorff requested volunteers to serve on an Audit Committee to start an internal audit in January. Having no volunteers, President Deardorff appointed David Michaels to the committee as Chair. Tony Myers recommended Clif Laughman and C.J. Thompson since they have served on the committee previously. Dan Hoff also agreed to serve on the committee.

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

President Deardorff thanked Ira Walker for assisting John Livingston with obtaining his CDL license so that he can take fire school apparatus for repairs and other activities.

Dan Hoff congratulated Emigsville Fire Company for a well-run county convention and parade this past weekend.

Scott Gingrich commented about AT&T First Net being a great savings to first responders.

The next meeting will be September 17, 2018 at 19:00 at the Fire School.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Deardorff adjourned the meeting at 20:07.

Respectfully Recorded,

*Robert Sells*

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Board Secretary