

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

330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday

Monthly Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2019

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. 33 people were in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS

Kevin Kearns with IXP Public Safety Services gave an update on Functional Governance and Re-Initializing the Public Safety Advisory Board (handout is attached). He invited anyone with concerns to contact him at 206-979-1313 or kkearns@ixpcorp.com.

Tiffany Trout reported on numerous staff openings at the 911 Center and made a pitch for dispatching careers. Hiring process, training, roles, and benefits were presented. Flyers were left for anyone who is interested (see attached).

Commissioner Susan Byrnes thanked the firefighters for what they do for York County. She noted that the 2 new commissioners will be brought up to speed on the changes proposed by IXP. She also discussed the process being used for hiring the new Director.

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 \$13,585.68 with an ending balance of \$4,764.92 With no comments, President Deardorff approved the Treasurer's Report as read.

Board of Governors (Chad Deardorff – BOG@ycfs.us):

The Board met this evening prior to this meeting. Finances are good.

Fire School Administrator (John Livingston – john@ycfs.us):

Gave the October Fire School Training Report.

Starting January 1 class registrations will be online only.

Live fire training for 2019 is winding down. Suggested getting date requests in for 2020.

The Columbia Gas props will be finished up later this week. Usage policies will be developed.

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

911 Center/YCDES (Scott Keener):

Radio updates are continuing.

Jon Grim reported that CrewForce license requests were less than the 200-license limit, therefore there will be no usage charge to those companies.

Eric Strittmatter noted that the ability to see other units responding is missing from CrewForce.

PA State Police (Tpr Colby Shesko – cshesko@pa.gov):

Not present.

Chad reported that Don Hopple is not be contacted for fire investigations until further notice. We are back to contacting PSP and noted a 1 hour 15 minute response on a recent request.

ATR (John Sanford - yc.atr@comcast.net):

The ATR team had 5 calls for the month; 57 calls for the year.

OEM (Dan Santoemma):

Not present.

Haz-Mat (Ray Kinsey):

The Haz-Mat team had 8 calls for the month; 82 calls for the year.

Fire Police (Steve Woerman):

Elections will be held at next week's meeting. New rosters for 2020 can now be sent in.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Radio/Communications (Joe Madzellan – radio@ycfs.us):

The next meeting is this Wednesday at 10:00.

Fire School Committee (Bob Sells – solver418@gmail.com):

No report.

Rescue Inspection (Tony Clouser/Tony Myers – rescue@ycfs.us):

Bob Sells and Chad relayed the following for Tony Myers:

Two rescue inspections still need to be completed for 2019. One is scheduled and one is pending.

Tony Clouser and he are co-chairing the committee with Myers handling the scheduling the rescue inspections and Clouser handling the paperwork.

An email will be sent out to the Association in the next few days with proposed changes to the rescue inspections. Please review them and send any discussion/feedback items to the committee email address or bring to the January meeting.

SOG Committee (Jim Pritchard – sog@ycfs.us):

Not present.

Public Safety Policy Board (Chad Deardorff):

The report given by Kevin Kearns at the beginning of the meeting covered all his items.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

President Deardorff reported that all officer and two Board of Governor positions are open for election and requested volunteers for a nominating committee. The committee will be comprised of Troy Dettinger, John Sanford, and Eric Strittmatter. Nominations can be sent to Elections@ycfs.us.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

John Sanford thanked Commissioner Byrnes for attending and working to correct the issues at the 911 Center.

President Deardorff thanked Susan Byrnes for her 4 years as County Commissioner.

The next meeting will be December 16, 2019 at 19:00 at the Fire School.

ADJOURNMENT

President Deardorff adjourned the meeting at 19:35.

Respectfully Recorded,

Robert Sells

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Board Secretary