

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

330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday

Monthly Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2020

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. 29 people were in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS

White Rose Safety: Wayne Durbin discussed his product line and history. He introduced Mike Bick and Jason Jacoby as factory reps for Drager and Ricochet. White Rose Safety Provided subs, chips, brownies, and drinks for the attendees.

American Red Cross: Judy Rohrbaugh talked about ARC's client services' new direction for dispatching procedure which does not include direct paging any more due to a new policy from the national organization. A regional on-call person must now verify and approve the request for support. In addition, canteen service has been curtailed by the national organization due to civil unrest concerns. They can prepare the food but cannot officially deliver it. Judy can be reached at 717-555-4596.

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 \$6213.35 with an ending balance of \$3,388.11. President Deardorff asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Roger Flohr made a motion, Scott Gingerich seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

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

The Board met this evening prior to this meeting. The Association is in decent financial shape. Investments were reviewed.

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

Gave the October Fire School Training Report.

Basic vehicle rescue classes will be added to the website.

Gas props will be available in 2021 and will require a Facilitator to run the props at the same cost as a burn building Facilitator.

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

911 Center/YCDES (Matt Hobson):

7 new people in training are coming to floor the end of this week. The next class will start Jan 11th.

At the next Board of Commissioners meeting, he will be requesting approval for priority dispatching and protocols.

Chad Deardorff asked about assigned ops channels being monitored for all incidents.

PA State Police (Tpr Sean Simmers – sesimmers@pa.gov):

Not present.

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

The ATR team had 2 calls for the month; 50 calls for the year.

OEM (Dan Santoemma):

Not present.

Haz-Mat (Ray Kinsey):

Not present. Reported via email that the team passed their 4-yr recertification.

Fire Police (Bud Yoe):

TR37 to be inspected Monday. They will start next round of inspections in February.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Discussed EMS items and Station-Available status. County is no longer recording when units mark Available in Station. Also discussed pre-alerting and every department getting the same treatment.

No meeting this month due to holidays. There will be a combined meeting in December.

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

Burn instructors met earlier this month to review burn building repairs and additional doors. The group also discussed consolidating and updating usage manuals.

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

Not present.

Public Safety Policy Board (Chad Deardorff):

Not in attendance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Deardorff reported that all officer and one Board of Governor positions are open for election and requested volunteers for a nominating committee. The committee will be comprised of Eric Strittmatter, Roger Flohr, and Chad Arnold. Nominations can be sent to Elections@ycfs.us.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

Eric Strittmatter will check on hosting the January meeting at Hellam.

Chad Deardorff noted that he received emails from some fire departments about radio terminology (i.e. "holding 1 and 1"). This is not standard terminology in York County so don't be upset with dispatchers or other fire departments if the message is not understood. If you want to propose radio language changes, contact the Radio Work Group with a proposal to be considered.

The next meeting will be December 21, 2020 at 19:00 at the Fire School.

ADJOURNMENT

President Deardorff adjourned the meeting at 19:47.

Respectfully Recorded,

Robert Sells

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Board Secretary