

# 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

November 21, 2022

### **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 19:10. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 31 people were in attendance.

Chief Troy Dettinger welcomed the Association to Union Fire and & Hose Company Station 6. President Deardorff thanked Troy for hosting 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 \$10,399.07 with an ending balance of \$15,922.77. President Deardorff asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Chad Livelsberger made a motion to approve. Taylor McKeever seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

#### **Board of Governors (Chad Deardorff – [BOG@ycfs.us](mailto:BOG@ycfs.us)):**

The Board met this evening prior to this meeting and discussed a proposal from Doceo to upgrade IT systems. They also discussed bylaws updates with bylaws committee members.

#### **Fire School Administrator (Jim Pritchard – [james@ycfs.us](mailto:james@ycfs.us)):**

Gave the October Fire School Training Report.

Burn building cracks will be repaired by the contractor.

Make sure your firefighters tell you if they have to drop a class due to an injury or other significant issue and to call the fire school to cancel out of the class.

The air truck will be completed by the end of the year.

### **OTHER AGENCY REPORTS**

#### **911 Center/YCDES (Chris Lorenzen):**

Reviewed fire call issues brought up last month. Both have been addressed.

No update on digital paging system.

The new dispatcher class started this week.

**ATR (John Sanford - [yc.atr@comcast.net](mailto:yc.atr@comcast.net)):**

The ATR team had 7 calls for the month: 42 calls for the year.

Looking for new members to add to the team.

Has a program available for training at fire departments.

**OEM (Cody Santiago):**

Reintroduced himself to the group after having not attended for a while.

Starting to do more support for emergency services with tabletop exercises and other training.

Reminded all that OEM will not take over command on an incident. They are there to support the local incident command system.

**Haz-Mat (Dan Santoemma):**

Not present.

**Fire Police (Bud Yohe):**

The 2023 association invoices are out. Elections will be held next week.

**Fire Fighter's Association (Clif Laughman):**

A \$15K accidental death policy is now available with membership.

President Deardorff noted that profits from past conventions are being used to replace exterior doors at the fire school classroom building.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Radio/Communications (Joe Madzellan – [radio@ycfs.us](mailto:radio@ycfs.us)):**

Not present.

**Fire School Committee (Bob Sells – [solver418@gmail.com](mailto:solver418@gmail.com)):**

The committee will be meeting December 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss updates to the Facility Usage Manual and capital planning items.

**Apparatus Inspection (Brad Dunham/Tony Myers – [rescue@ycfs.us](mailto:rescue@ycfs.us)):**

Tony reported that all rescues for 2022 are done or scheduled.

**Bylaws Committee (Dan Hoff)**

Progress is being made. Contact Dan with any comments or suggestions to be considered.

**Public Safety Policy Board (Matt Shields / Tony Clouser):**

Not present.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

President Deardorff noted that a nominations committee is needed. Eric Strittmatter offered to chair the committee. Troy Dettinger and Nate Baker offered to help.

President Deardorff asked to a 3<sup>rd</sup> person for the Audit Committee to attend a Monday morning meeting in January. Chief Adam Smith volunteered to assist the committee.

President Deardorff noted a proposed bylaws change regarding the frequency of meetings. He will be sending an online survey out to the Association with a 12/18 deadline for further discussion at the December meeting.

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

President Deardorff thanked Chief Dunham and Chief Livelsberger for bringing up the BeOn phone app for radio usage via cell phone. This information was sent to career chiefs only and not to volunteer chiefs. Matt Hobson was contacted and will be addressing the issue.

President Deardorff reported that he and Jim Pritchard were approached by the state fire commissioner's office about a claim that the fire school was not offering classes to 14-year-old students. Jim and Chad responded to the claim affirming that there is no restriction for 14-year-old students for starting the ELFF program.

The next meeting will be December 19, 2022, at 19:00 at Station 8, York New Salem with dinner being served at 18:00.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Deardorff adjourned the meeting at 19:33.

Respectfully Recorded,

*Robert Sells*

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Board Secretary