

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

330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday

Monthly Meeting Minutes

02/20/2023

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 1904 hours. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 23 people were in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS

Welcome by Chief Hawkins to Fairview Twp FD. Thank you, Bob Timko from Provident Insurance, for presenting the supper.

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 \$22,984.79 with an ending balance of \$10,942.11. President Deardorff asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Clif Laughman made a motion, Dan Hoff 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 and discussed finances and allowing 17 y/o students doing interior training (will be covered under old business).

Fire School Administrator (Jim Pritchard – james@ycfs.us):

Gave the January Fire School Training Report.

Month	Date	Class / Course Name	Students	Students	Hrs	Stud. Hrs
		Bucks				
		Hacc				
		Sherriff Dept		32		32
		State Parole				
		Adult Probation			30	30
		Juvenile Probation			20	20
		Combat Challenge				
		Fire School Classes				
		CERT				
		York County Quick Response Team			8	8
		Wellspring				
		Police Departments				
		Company Training		5	7	14
		York County Dist Atty Office				
		Proctor Exams				
		State Police		6		6
		Seminars				
		PAFCO				
		Community Life Team EMS			12	12
		Misc				2
		Misc				2
		TOTAL HOURS:		38	63	19
						16
						136

Month	Date	Class / Course Name	Students	Students	Hrs	Stud. Hrs
January	11	Haz.Mat Awareness	20		4	80
January	11	Bldg Construction Non C	0		0	0
January	21	Fire Officer I	10		40	400
January	24	Intro to the Fire service	30		16	480
January	31	Fire Ground Support	30		4	120
		Totals	90		64	1080

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

911 Center/YCDES (Chris Lorenzen/Scott Keener):

Digital paging update on schedule.

Staffing numbers holding at a good level, no new calls until September.

Great feedback received internally about Red Lion fire and how everyone worked together.

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

Not present.

OEM (Cody Santiago):

Survey research is complete. If want to be see it, contact Cody.

Changed / updated the process for CISM. Partnering with SCTF. York County OEM will be the local support.

Haz-Mat (Dan Santoemma):

The Haz-Mat team had 22 calls for the month: 35 calls for the year.

Fire Police (Bud Yohe):

Installation of officer last month.

Dues due by end of month.

If you need extra fire police, the host company needs to ask municipalities.

Fire Fighter's Association (Bill Newbould):

New benefits for members, now have accidental and death insurance

Dues now \$15/year

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Meeting on 1/26

Added Chief officers in CAD and Crewforce

Changed policy so now Chiefs and self-dispatch to 1st due area, planned for 3/1/23

Several EMS designations

Station 1 now has Truck 1 and Engine 1

If you specifically need a ladder, truck 1, otherwise you will get Engine 1

Auxiliary unit types will be talked about in old business

EFD – shed fire is now structure fire

Discussion about no EMS on gas leaks, tabled until EMSA discusses

New station ID, Prison Fire crew Station 16

YCFS is still station 20

Confirmed that for FP, additional info needs to be included, like dangerous scene

Scott Keener talked again about the bulk purchase, not sure if it will be repeated

Fire School Committee (Will Shaver):

No report per Chad, Will Shaver will replace Bob Sells as committee chair

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

Tony sent emails to all stations of those who need inspections this year.

Two rescues (15 & 54) inspected already this year.

Station 26 now has E's 26-1, 2, 3, & 4

Policy Committee (Brad Dunham)

No report

Bylaws Committee (Dan Hoff)

Draft to be sent out to association tomorrow. Will discuss at March meeting.

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

Next Gen 911 is moving along.

Preparing letters to municipalities of errors.

PEMA, IAM911 outreach

April 9-15 telecommunicators week We are proving lunch April 10th Lunch and dinner.

For 911, fully staffed doesn't always mean fully trained

There is 1 career and 1 volunteer member on the PSPB. There is a volunteer chief opening. If someone interested, please contact President Deardorff.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Conversation from Joe about changing the axillary type for RIT instead of designating the unit and the motion was the just dispatch by the piece instead. The problem is, if you have a RIT engine and it fails, the next due engine may not / may not want to provide RIT.

Do we want to continue to do it this way?

Lots of discussion over the topic and how do we figure out what is the best path forward.

If we continue without designated RIT, you will get a possible not-RIT qualified unit.

Nothing has changed so far at 911, Joe will send out an email and we will table until next month.

Topic of 17 y/o members taking a live fire class per the state's new law.

Since the law passed, Chad asked Dave Smythe (acting PA Fire Administrator), but the emails didn't give any solid answers. Will have a meeting with Labor & Industry on Wednesday then follow up with HACC. HACC will create a policy and permission form if that is needed if state and L & I approve.

Once we hear from HACC, pending the Wednesday decision, if they agree that 17 y/o students can attend, since the YCFS is just the site host and HACC is the ETA and the employer of the instructors and the oversight of the class, so we follow HACCs policies.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

Chad Deardorff brought up the topic of electronic devices on the training ground at the YCFS

Against the ETAs policy

There will be a policy coming out from the YCFS based on the HACC & BCCC current policy

If found, student will be removed and department will receive a no show fee

This is videoing people, possibly minors, who didn't approve

The actions are inappropriate, unprofessional and unsafe

The next meeting will be March 20th at 19:00 at the Fire School.

ADJOURNMENT

President Deardorff adjourned the meeting at 19:53 hours.

Respectfully Recorded,

Christopher Krichten

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Board Secretary