

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

330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday

Monthly Meeting Minutes

01/15/2024

Members in attendance

<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATION</u>
Chris Krichten	63
Chad Deardorff	50
Bob Bowman	99
Richard Halpin	99
Clif Laughman	50
John Senft	99
Dan Hoff	89
Brad Dunham	11
Barry Myers	13
Scott Gingerich	77
Jim Pritchard	20
Tim Stevens	23
Andy Stevens	23
Shona Stevens	23
Mark Shroyer	23
Justin Ford	23
Sean Clark	68
Moritz Yohe	89
Rick Witten	31
Joan Yohe	89
Larry Anderson	66
John Sanford	92
Eric Strittmatter	21

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 1900 hours. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 23 people were in attendance.

Welcome and thank you from the host Company by Chief 23-1, Mark Shroyer.

PRESENTATIONS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Deardorff asked if there were any corrections to last month’s minutes. With no corrections, a motion to approve by Eric Strittmatter, second by Tim Stevens and the motion was approved.

REPORTS

Treasurer (Bob Bowman):

Treasurer Bob Bowman presented the following report: Beginning balance \$7,228.69 with an ending balance of \$20,144.00. President Deardorff asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Dan Hoff made a motion, Mark Shroyer seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

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

The Board met this evening prior to this meeting and discussed the finances and we are in good shape. Application for the RACP grant was submitted and will be for the new building. Submitted for just over \$4,000,000. Probably won’t hear anything until June 2024. May hear from a board member for ask for you to go to your local rep for a letter of support.

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

Gave the December 2023 Fire School Training Report.
Always keep an eye on the website for updates.
Still looking for two departments for Pumps I class.
Subscriptions have been coming in on a regular basis. That must be submitted prior to students registering for classes or the department will be charged.

Fire School Classes

1	DECEMBER	4	Pumps II	8	16	128	R
2		6	Aerial Op's	8	16	128	R
3		6	Ice Safety, Basic Survival	5	3	15	R
4		9	CPR/AED First Aid	6	8	48	R
7							
8	Totals			27	43	319	

Fire School Activity

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Total
Bucks					
Hacc					
Sherriff Dept			24		24
State Parole					
Adult Probation	20				20
Juvenile Probation					
Company Burns	10	8	8		26
Combat Challenge					
Fire School Classes					43
CERT					
York County Quick Response Team			8		8

Wellspan			7		7
Police Departments					
Company Training	4	18	8		30
York County Dist Atty Office					
Proctor Exams					
State Police					
Seminars					
PAFCO					
Community Life Team EMS		12			12
Misc		2			2
TOTAL HOURS:	34	40	55	0	172

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OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

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

No one present

Chad spoke to the county commissioners, and they are review the concerns brought to them from the December meeting and will try to have report back at the February meeting.

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

The ATR team had 7 calls for the month; 52 calls for the 2023.

Newest officers -Tyler Seibert from Station 41 and Tony Myers is the Assistant Chief for the southern end. Requesting for possible standby or auto dispatch for items that ATR is needed on. Please consider.

OEM (Cody Santiago):

No one present

Haz-Mat (Dan Santoemma):

No one present

Fire Police (Bud Yohe):

New unit certified for Station 26.

Commissioner Wheeler will be present at the meeting next month.

If station has not paid dues yet, have until end of February for the lower cost.

Fire Fighter's Association (Clif Laughman):

No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Has not met with anyone since last months Chiefs Meeting.

Joe did email Hobson yesterday on the notes and info being uploaded and the reply received was "It's a work in progress."

Chris Lorenzen advised that the not being able to reply to email and their IT department advised it's a Comcast issue so Brad asked about the other providers. Chris will report back.

Fire School Committee (Will Shaver):

Reviewed the information form the State Commissioners office. Excessive amount of information so some sat and went through the entire document and narrowed it down.

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

Progress with Rescue Committee, several have contacted so far for this year.

Policy Committee (Brad Dunham)

No report

Bylaws Committee (Dan Hoff)

Still on hold.

Public Safety Policy Board (Tony Clouser):

Management at the 911 center is still working fixes to address the Crew Force issues.

They also reported they received a score of 9+ out of 10 on an ISO review. I think he said 9.35, but I didn't write it down.

Matt addressed the digital paging and plans for it when it needs replaced. Chris Krichten asked Matt a question about how it will affect us, and Matt stated that their goal is to come up with a plan for the digital paging PRIOR to the current digital paging going out of service. He also stated that the current voice paging will eventually be set up as a backup but right now, it is on the same platform as the digital paging.

Commissioner Wheeler reported that a Resolution was on the agenda at their next meeting to increase the property tax rebate for active volunteer responders to 100%, and other members 50%. She further reported that the Board is going to have the solicitor review if there are any avenues for them to provide or incentivize rent rebates for active responders who don't own a home.

Strategic Planning (Chad Deardorff - SPC@group.ycfs.us)

Meeting scheduled in near future. Fire group met as well as the Police group too. No report for EMS yet.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Voting

President	Chad Deardorff
VP	Brad Dunham
Treasurer	Bob Bowman
Board of Governor	Barry Myers

Motion by Richard Halpin second by John Sanford to close and approve all those who were nominated. Hand vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rick Witten talked about that York Water sent out a letter about personnel changes. Also noted that Rob Bissey will be retiring. Rob has been very active in the fire service and with the York Water Co in conjunction with the fire chief's association. Motion by Rick Witten to get a commemorative plaque, second by Brad Dunham. Hand vote was unanimous.

Commissioners meeting to discuss a resolution to the current tax rebate, from 50% to 100% for responders and 25% to 50% for support staff. Also looking for how they can support volunteers who are renters and not homeowners.

Meeting is Wednesday January 17th at 1000 hours at the old Court House on W Market St.
Will be promoted better in a press released this time around.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

The next meeting will be February 19,2024, at 1900 hours at the Fire School.

ADJOURNMENT

President Deardorff asked for a motion for adjournment, Bob Bowman made a motion, Brad Dunham seconded the motion, and the motion was approved at 1927 hours.

Respectfully Recorded,

Christopher Krichten

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Board Secretary