

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

330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday

Monthly Meeting Minutes

02/19/2024

Members in attendance

<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATION</u>
Chris Krichten	63	Chad Deardorff	50
Bob Bowman	99	Richard Halpin	99
Clif Laughman	50	John Senft	99
Brad Dunham	11	Scott Gingerich	77
Jim Pritchard	20	Tony Myers	61
Craig Lipinski	18	Joe Hildebrand	18
Jake Bush	22	Bob Bracken	13
Rusty Brown	12	Bill Kurtz	56
John Woods	58	Travis Amberman	56
James Smith	22	Julie Wheeler	York County
Clair Doll	York County	Albert Buckingham	62
Blaine Gerver	62	Mike Smith	57
Larry Anderson	66	Joan Yohe	89
Moritz Yohe	89	Bill Sleeper	99
Mike Golden	55	Phil Golden	55
Dan Santoemma	91	Joe Madzelan	89
John Sanford	92	Rick Witten	31
Eric Strittmatter	21	Troy Snyder	47
Tony Clouser	79		

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. 37 people were in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS

Commissioner Wheeler spoke about tax rebate. It is a little clunky right now but will be updating, need for notary will be eliminated, and a copy of utility bill (for those who have multiple properties) will be eliminated also. Must follow the resolution from 2022 for this year.

After March 20, new resolution will be posted.

Julie met with all 17 school superintendents and was very encouraging / strong request to implement the

school tax rebate. She will be meeting with all school board presidents also. Her message was, without volunteers, no one will respond to help you.

Introduced Clair Doll who is the deputy clerk, who is currently supporting the 911 center for senior leadership support, not taking interim director role.

Clair spoke about his role, not acting director of 911. There to help the current deputy directors with their administrative stuff. Also, commented on how can 911 provide better customer service. How do we get things moving forward and set up the new director for success.

Chad thanked Julie and Clair for attending tonight. Its been a long time sine the person overseeing 911 has attended.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

REPORTS

Treasurer (Bob Bowman):

Treasurer Bob Bowman presented the following report: Beginning balance \$20,759.54 with an ending balance of \$35,951.40. President Deardorff asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Scott Gingerich made a motion, Eric Strittmatter 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 several items, some of which included student issues. One student that was in a class and the boyfriend showed up at an instructor’s house and made a perceived threat. Talked about PA making / implementing a code of conduct policy. HACC was going to implement but, YCFS plans to implement out own policy. Will be listed on the website and the leader of the department will need to acknowledge it for the student. Then there will be a session at the very beginning of the class, before anything else.

RAK-P grant request for municipal support still in the process. Chief Hoff received support from many senators and representatives.

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

Gave the January 2024 Fire School Training Report.

Will be replacing computers at the school.

Fire Officer II class added later this year.

Possibly have a host for the April Pumps I class. Still need a second station for the July class.

Pumps II will be at the school in the fall.

Reminder that the annual subscription is due.

Month	Date	Class / Course Name	Students	Students	Hrs	Stud. Hrs	Status
January	7	Basic Ropes & Rigging	23		16	368	R
	11	BLDG. Con Non Combustible	15		16	240	R
	16	ELIS	30		16	480	R
	20	Fire Officer I	11		24	264	R
	27	CPR/AED	6		8	48	R
	30	Maz-Mat awareness	24		4	96	R
Totals			109		84	1,496	

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Total
Bucks					0
Hacc					0
Sherriff Dept			8	16	24
State Parole					0
Adult Probation		3		26	29
Juvenile Probation		20	30		50
Combat Challenge					0
Fire School Classes					84
CERT					0
York County Quick Response Team				8	8
Wellspring					0
Police Departments					0
Company Training	14				14
York County Dist Atty Office					0
Proctor Exams					0
State Police			8		8
Seminars					0
PAFCO					0
Misc		7		2	9
TOTAL HOURS:	14	30	46	52	226

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OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

911 Center/YCDES (Clair Doll):

Tony Myers asked about the pull of two engines from a single station. That is a change since Jan 1. FP calls, on the second call, primary station is getting skipped. What's the Crewforce and WebView update? Clair advised that he was asked to address the Crewforce and WebView issue. Team is working on short-term and long-term plan. Working with team to enter a different way so the info only goes into the PD side. Second possibility, long-term, have vendor reset and start fresh. Regarding the FP concern, that came up in the center and he will follow up. He also advised that there needs to be better customer service. Calling directly and making a verbal contract.

John Woods stated that they put in a ticket about a water main break. Got an email back and didn't like the reply and then asked to be escalated and then received a call, days to weeks later that PD gets them but not on the notifications for the FD.

Brad Dunham asked to be notified if CAD is down. Don't hide it, notify us.

Eric Strittmatter asked to know why under emergency phase conditions are put out, No reason in the page. Under emergency conditions, will take pole info form PD but not FD.

Concern over not dispatching FD and only PD on many things that should have FD.

Tony reiterated that if there is an issue, a inquiry MUST be filed to start the process.

Questions about paging, is the process still happening to split the voice paging off of the CAD so if digital paging goes down, the voice paging will work.

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

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

OEM (Bill James):

Not present. Actively interviewing for Cody's replacement.

Haz-Mat (Dan Santoemma):

The Haz-Mat team had 12 calls for the month; 24 calls for the year.

184 incidents in 2023

Will be performing some classes involving electric cars coming up soon

Fire Police (Bud Yohe):

If you are planning an activity and need FP from elsewhere, the municipality must ask for permission and be approved by the sending municipality.

Payment and/or rosters for 2024 have not been received from the following stations:

- Station 11 – Nashville
- Station 12 – North Codorus Twp
- Station 15 – Dillsburg
- Station 21 – Hellam
- Station 22 – Mt. Wolf
- Station 23 – Manchester
- Station 26 – Strinestown
- Station 28 – Goldsboro – Paid - No roster received
- Station 31 – Newberry Twp – Paid - No roster received
- Station 38 – Yorkana
- Station 44 – Craley – Paid - No roster received
- Station 52 – Pleasant Hill
- Station 53 – Porters
- Station 55 – Airville
- Station 58 – New Freedom
- Station 61 – Shrewsbury
- Station 62 – Seven Valleys
- Station 67 – Monaghan Twp
- Station 89-2 – Spring Garden
- Station 99 – York City

Currently cannot get traffic unit recertified without paying and won't be able to vote at association. Chief 21 is concerned about the "charge" and the association needs to rethink the process of who is certifying traffic units.

Fire Fighter's Association (Clif Laughman):

Bill Newbold stepped down and Clif in charge again. No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Approved three applications for support units and station 98 is a private EMS in Red Lion area.

Fire School Committee (Will Shaver):

No report

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

No report

Policy Committee (Brad Dunham)

No report

Bylaws Committee (Dan Hoff)

No report

Public Safety Policy Board (Tony Clouser):

No report

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

No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Annual audit completed by audit committee on 01/29/2024 and report submitted. Motion to accept Tony Clouser, second by Rick Witten.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jake Bush wanted to discuss about boats and boat units. No one is inspecting and there is concern about their standing. Believes that there should be an update, possibly annual. Brad Dunham said no official standard, Jake said that is one posted but Brad said it wasn't approved. Lots of back in forth in the past but never came to an agreement. Jake and Brad will work on the standard for the county.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

Recent deaths of members

John Fornadel <https://www.hartensteincare.com/obituary/john-fornadel>

Jerry Heist <https://www.ydr.com/obituaries/mpa116687>

Robert Straw no obituary / service info posted yet

The next meeting will be March 18, 2024, at 1900 hours at Mt Wolf Fire Company with food at 1815 hours.

ADJOURNMENT

President Deardorff asked for a motion for adjournment, Clif Laughman made a motion, Jake Bush seconded the motion and the motion was approved at 2002 hours.

Respectfully Recorded,

Christopher Krichten

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Board Secretary