

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

330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406



Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday

Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 17th, 2025

Members in attendance

<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATION</u>
Chad Deardorff	50	Brad Dunham	11
Bob Bowman	20	Richard Halpin	20
Chris Krichten	63	Jim Pritchard	20
Clif Laughman	50	Phil Golden	55
Dan Hoff	89	John Senft	20
Rob Bissey	89	Guy Hettinger	911
Albert Buckingham	62	Bill Sleeper	99
Moritz Yohe	89	Joan Yohe	89
Nicholas Mann	50	John Sanford	92
Larry Anderson	66	Derek Thompson	Guest
Michael Fisher	22	Chris Weidenhammer	OEM
Brad Dauberman	61	Rick Witten	31
Daniel Santoemma	91	Joe Madzellan	89
Adam Smith	99	Eric Strittmatter	21
Don Hopple	13	Mike Smith	57

Troy Snyder	47	Phil Golden	55
Scott Gingerich	77		

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 1902 hours. The call to order was followed by a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. 33 people were in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS

Derek Thompson from First Responder Task Force spoke about coverage to the family's of fallen firefighters. AFBA (Armed Forces Benefits Administration) now covers family members for fallen members. Spoke about the coverage and how to get in contact with him to have him come out and speak to your agency. Derek Thompson dthompson@frtf.us (941) 549-3946

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Deardorff asked if there were any corrections to last month's minutes. **With no corrections, a motion to approve by Dan Hoff, second by John Sanford and the motion was approved.**

REPORTS

Treasurer (Bob Bowman):

Treasurer Bob Bowman presented the following report: Beginning balance \$16,780.38 with an ending balance of \$10,276.74.

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@group.ycfs.us):

The Board met this evening prior to this meeting and discussed the RAC-P grant and the match, the plan for the possible building. John will discuss more during his portion.

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

Gave the January Fire School Training Report.

Have a new garage door prop that is now in service. The prop can be used for trainings and company level training. If using for company level training, the ask is to supply your own door.

Got new tarps for salvage and overhaul.

The forcible entry prop in here and will be installed in the burn building prior to the burn sessions starting.

Two new 24' ladders now in service.

Class information regarding vehicle rescue class. The names have changed but the classes are the same.

Pump class dates have gone out for the classes in the spring and fall. Registrations on the school website.

OEM (Chris Weidenhammer):

Crane Clean Energy (formerly TMI) - updated restart date is now June 2027
Sheltering discussions about agreements at the county level due to large scale events. Red Cross is calling OEM about where they can open a shelter. The county is working to get MOUs in place at larger facilities for the need to have a shelter to be able to be used 24/7. If you have any information about something in your area, please reach out to Chris and share the information.

Haz-Mat (Dan Santoemma):

The Haz-Mat team had 9 calls for the month; 15 calls for the year.

HazMat Tech class is full but taking names for a waiting list.
Scheduling a propane tech course coming up in August. More to come.

Fire Police (Bud Yohe):

Annual rosters have been arriving. Reminder to send in if you have not.
Joe Madzellan said there was discussion about the FP all call and how Cumberland County has an all-call style program with mutual aid agreements for municipalities. Bud will investigate and report back.

Fire Fighter's Association (Terry Fix):

No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Discussion about possibly revising policy on replacing equipment on fire alarms and calls in which the call seems to be under control. If working incident, that will not change.
Discussed that on 3rd alarm calls, auto dispatch of (IDT 91) dispatcher team and MCU 91.
Appliance fire dispatches now full structure dispatch. Is there a desire to investigate not a structure response but looking for a limited dispatch for appliances only.
It was brought up to research why the dispatchers are telling callers to evac and vent on gas leaks or CO calls. Prefer to just evac and not vent. Guy and radio committee will investigate.

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 meeting

Strategic Planning (John Senft - SPC@group.ycfs.us)

Continue to eval the planning process. Since this started, the RAC-P grant was approved for capital facility improvement. That will expedite the process to be able to facility issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- “Minimum Unit Standard” policy update vote (items for vote in red)
 - **Truck**
 - Aerial ladder or platform \geq 75’ or greater (must be certified-YCFC&FA Organization Inspection Bi Annual w/ Certification)
 - Ladders: minimum 115’, including at least (2) extension, (2) roof, (1) Attic or Combination
 - Ventilation Fan (positive or negative pressure)
 - Minimum of (1) one chain saw
 - Minimum of (1) one rotary saw
 - Biannual pump test certification Inspection by YCFC&FA Organization (If equipped with a pump).
 - Motion to approve by Eric Strittmatter second by Clif Laughman – approve by hand vote for 15 against 0
 - **Tanker**
 - Water Tank: \geq 1800 gal
 - Quick dump (gravity or jet-assist, direct discharge from tank) Capable of dumping Left Side, Right Side and Rear
 - Minimum of (1) one porta tank \geq water tank capacity (Maximum Porta Tank size require 3500 Gallons)
 - Biannual pump test certification Inspection by YCFC&FA Organization.
 - Motion to approve by Eric Strittmatter second by Clif Laughman – approve by hand vote for 10 against 1

Both motions passed successfully.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chris Weidenhammer brought up the SCTF (IST) incident support team and there has been some talk about a county wide IST. This would be for support only, not to take over an incident. Is there an interest in doing this? Chad D asked for an online vote so the entire association can vote. Chris will work on this week.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

The next meeting will be March 17th, 2025, at 1900 hours at **the York County Public Safety Training Center**. The April 21st, 2025, meeting will be held at Nashville Station 11, at 1900 hours **with dinner being served at 18:15.**

ADJOURNMENT

President Deardorff asked for a motion for adjournment, Jim Pritchard made a motion, Clif Laughman seconded the motion and the motion was approved at 2007 hours.

Respectfully Recorded,

Christopher Krichten

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Board Secretary