

Fauquier County Fire and Rescue Association

The monthly meeting of the Fauquier County FRA was held Thursday, January 18, 2007 at EMS station 1. President T. Marable convened the meeting at 1910 hours.

Roll Twelve member companies represented. Any representative changes should be forwarded to the secretary.

Agenda D. VanBuskirk motioned the agenda be approved as resented. The motion passed.

Minutes D. Taylor motioned the minutes of the November 2006 meeting be approved as presented. The motion passed.

Treasurers ReportD. VanBuskirk motioned the report be approved as presented. The motion passed.

Committee Reports

Training

Training announcements were distributed. There will be an EMT refresher beginning 02/01/07 at company 2. DC Kight will investigate the possibility of having adults attending the daytime (school) EMT class.

The site plans for a training facility located in the area of Greene Road is being finalized.

DC Kight applies, and received, an 80/20 grant for a fire training trailer. The local share for the grant would be ~\$103,000. This portion will be due within 12 months of accepting the grant. B. Stuart motioned the FRA move forward with the purchase of the trailer. The motion passed.

The estimated cost to renovate EMS station 1 to be used as a training facility is \$122,000. This estimate included repairs to the parking lot. Any project exceeding \$100,000 must go through the county procurement process. The consensus of the group was to hold on the parking lot repairs, keeping the cost under \$100,000, & move forward expeditiously with the interior renovations. B. Stuart motioned the renovation project move forward, cost not to exceed \$99,000 & 2 additional bids be obtained prior to beginning work. Roll call vote indicated 9 companies in favor of the motion. Motion passed. Funds for this project will be taken from the CIP cash account used for small projects.

President Marable reported that a structural engineer has inspected the bay area & will determine the maximum weight allowable in this area. The engineer will issue a letter verifying the area is safe for student activities.

CIC

The BOS have a work session scheduled for 02/08/07. They will be updated on all projects at this time. Several Board members & county government officials will be touring stations on 01/26/07.

Public Education/Relations – No report.

REMS

Protocols are being revised.

The council is considering changing drug storage boxes.

EMS

A draft copy of the 01/09/07 meeting minutes were distributed. Key points from the minutes included:

All companies must comply with REMS reporting regulations.

CPAP may be added to our SOP's.

QA/QI committee will meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 1830 hours. K. Horst chairs this committee.

Preceptor training will be offered in the near future, as well as, an ALS CEU course.

Communications

Work is continuing on the wireless system. Changes have not been made to the tower sites. The “dead spots” in the New Baltimore area have not been corrected. Acquiring the VHFS tower would be the most economical way to correct the problem.

Special Operations – No report.

Insurance

All companies were reminded that census & personal property information was due to DFES by 02/01/07. The cost of the county decal should be deducted from the member’s tax bills. Any problems with this should be addressed to C. Brown.

DFES/Career

Ken Johnson was selected to fill the vacant captain position. He will be “roving” captain & the EMS committee liaison.

Chaplains Group – No report.

Budget

The budget will be reviewed with the county staff next week.

Volunteer Representative Position – No report.

Public Safety

President Marable reported that the committee inquired as to the status of the 7/12 merger. He reported funds were released to Company 12.

Old Business

Chief VanBuskirk reported Chief Flippo had developed a revised merger timeline for Company 12 to review. Unfortunately, due to a call, Company 12 lost a quorum at the business meeting & the timeline was not reviewed. Chief S. Taylor was not able to meet with Company 7 as requested by the FRA. Chief VanBuskirk did inquire as to the status of the 4 for Life funds due to Company 12. President Marable agreed to check on the whereabouts of these funds.

President Marable reminded companies to forward tax returns & financial records to the county as requested.

The draft ARR agreement was reviewed. B. Flippo motioned to move forward to the next mediations meeting & county attorney review of the final draft agreement with the noted changes. Roll call vote indicated all companies in favor of the motion.

New Business

There was no new business.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Angela Armstrong
Secretary, Fauquier County FRA