

## Fauquier County Fire and Rescue Association

The monthly meeting of the Fauquier County Fire and Rescue Association was held Thursday, September 21, 2006 at EMS station 1. President Tom Marable convened the meeting at 1910 hours.

- Roll Eleven member companies were represented.
- Agenda D. VanBuskirk motioned the agenda be approved as presented. The motion passed.
- Minutes D. VanBuskirk motioned the minutes of the August 2006 meeting be approved as presented. The motion passed.
- Treasurers Report D. VanBuskirk motioned the report be accepted as presented. The motion passed.

### Committee Reports

#### Training

The DFES union has purchased a trailer to be used to transport equipment to various training sites.

FHS has limited space for the daytime classes. Chief Myer & President Marable have addressed the public safety committee regarding the need for a permanent training facility. At the present time, President Marable & Chief Flippo are seeking alternatives to the FHS training facility. Chief Myer is investigating the possibility of fire & rescue students receiving dual enrollment with Fauquier schools & LFCC.

Chief Myer was recently made aware of problems with the scheduling of the evening EMT course & students receiving certificates at the completion of courses. He will address these concerns with DC Kight.

CIC – No report.

#### Public Education/Relations

Contact Chief Flippo to schedule use of the safety trailer.

REMS – No report.

#### EMS

Skills drill is scheduled for 09/23/06 at Company 13. Dr. Sitta is concerned with the lack of participation at the drills.

Chief Horst requested that each company provide a list of EMS providers for the QA/QI committee. These are to be returned to her at the October chiefs meeting.

The training staff requested the EMS committee fund 2 staff members attendance at the EMS symposium. The committee agreed to honor this request. After discussion at this (FRA) meeting, Chief Myer withdrew this request.

#### Communications

Repairs were made to the tower serving the Goldvein area. Work is continuing on correcting the problems in the New Baltimore area.

The dispatch center has one vacant position.

There are some coverage problems with the Nextel paging system. As soon as these problems are corrected, FRA will ask that digital pagers be turned in.

There continues to be interference with the minnitors. One solution to this problem may be to change the default levels on the squelch.

There was a question regarding simulcasting units placed in service. If this is a dispatch protocol, President Marable will send a letter to the communications director requesting the protocol be followed.

#### Special Operations

Several committee members will be attending the Haz Mat conference.

Fill stations for Companies 5 & 7 have been ordered. The Special Operations committee will maintain these compressors & bottle maintenance. The committee will not absorb the cost of retro-fitting apparatus.

#### Insurance

Due to the increase in claims, VFIS will require all drivers to complete a driver improvement program.

#### DFES

Chief D. Taylor questioned if fire reports were being filed. Company 2 has received notices from the state indicating that the reports are not being filed. Chief Myer will check into this.

Chaplains Group – No report.

#### Budget

Committee chairs will be receiving packets for budget submissions.

Volunteer Representative Position – tabled.

#### Public Safety

October 8 -14, 2006 has been proclaimed as Fire Prevention Week.

The situation with the training space was discussed.

#### Old Business

There was no business pending.

#### New Business

Nine companies were represented at the fee for service meeting. The next meeting will be October 24, 2006 @ 1900 hours. Dinner will be provided.

Chief Flippo motioned the FRA endorse Company 7's CIP request, in the amount of ~ \$20,000, for roof repairs. All companies present voted in favor of this motion.

T. Rosamond motioned the FRA endorse Company 10's CIP request, in the amount of ~ \$25,000, for replacement of the central heating system. All companies present voted in favor of the motion.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2035 hours.

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Fire & Rescue Association