

# CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD



Date	Type of Meeting:
1/20/11	<b>Fire Advisory Board (FAB)</b> <b>Monthly Meeting</b> <b>Chairperson:</b> Scott Cummings <b>Attended by:</b> Sign-in sheet available <b>Location:</b> Training Room 1 @ the Office of Emergency Services
Handouts	Copies available to view attached to original minutes and filed.
<b>Next Mtg.</b>	February 17, 2011

Topic	
<b>Preliminaries</b>	Meeting was called to order by Scott Cummings at 7:31 pm with the pledge to the flag.
<b>New Members</b>	Trevor Butts was in attendance and didn't have any issues to report. I am Responding seems to be running smooth. It has proved a good tool for dispatch. They have been working on the radio consoles. Rick Cole mentioned the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Battalion did a tour in dispatch and they learned a lot.
<b>Guests</b>	Doug Richmond with the Public Safety Committee didn't have much to report from the Legislature's side. Dave Himelein mentioned that the radio systems will be a topic coming up in the future. Scott made mention of some of the new members; Kyle Barthel is the new 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion Alternate Representative, Chet Harvey is the new 3 <sup>rd</sup> Battalion Alternate Representative, and John Griffith is the new 4 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Alternate Representative.
<b>Minutes of last Meeting</b>	Sam Salemmie made a motion to accept the minutes. This was 2nd by Ron Trippy. All were in favor, motion passed.
<b>County Chief's President</b>	Jack Knowlton made mention that they will try to have a speaker at each of the County Chief's meetings.
<b>EMS Council Rep.</b>	Larry Barter had nothing to report at this time. The EMS Council meeting was rescheduled for January.
<b>Battalion Coordinator Reports</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion Coordinator Tony Faso was not in attendance. Julius made mention of the AMTRAK Train accident last week. The AMTRAK Fire Chief called Julius at Emergency Services who had made arrangements to bus and shelter the passengers if they needed it. Fortunately, the train still had heat and electric, so no passengers had to leave the train. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Battalion Coordinator Rick Cole read and submitted his report. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Battalion Coordinator Dan Imfeld mentioned some responses made by the 3 <sup>rd</sup> battalion last month. Julius mentioned there were interviews last night for the new coordinator. Julius announced that Mike Gleason is the new 3 <sup>rd</sup> Battalion Coordinator. Congratulations! 4 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Coordinator Skip Cavallaro announced an upcoming battalion meeting. All was quiet last month.
<b>Deputy Coordinator Reports</b>	Bob Frank reported he covered a call in the 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion where there was a tractor-trailer rollover on the thruway. The Forestville Fire Department, Town of Arkright and the Village of Forestville are having a district controversy. The

	<p>Office of Emergency Services is doing their best to work with all entities to get these issues resolved so there is no disruption of fire service.</p> <p>Jon Stahley read his report stating the Big Dip will be held in Cassadaga this year. Before naming the date of the Dip, they will be looking for good and bad ice conditions. He will try to get the information out in a timely manner.</p>
<b>EMS Coordinator</b>	Steve Cobb reported response to some area calls.
<b>Dive Team</b>	Dennis Barmore reported on the rescue of a duck hunter on Barcelona harbor. They went back the next day to get his gun and other things.
<b>Hazmat Coordinator</b>	Dan Imfeld said they were in need of some upgrading of the SCBA's so the state came in and did the upgrade. The Team had training on the new Chemical ID equipment and this is now in service.
<b>Training Coordinator</b>	Ron Keddie read and submitted his report.
<b>Tech Rescue Coordinator</b>	Charlie Smith reported that the Tech Rescue Team will be doing training on the 29 <sup>th</sup> at the Cheektowaga Training Center to do some high-angle training out there. He said it's a great place to train.
<b>Guest</b>	Fred Croscut spoke on the danger of downsizing of politicians. He mentioned that the politicians in this legislature go to their meetings and represent fire service. Fred wants fire service to consider that when deciding to cut back politicians. Fred also mentioned how important the Grants are out there.
<b>Fire Coordinator</b>	<p>Julius Leone mentioned the challenge of communication with the radio system. Julius spoke on Grants. Our revenue from grants for 2009 was \$287,000.00, in 2010 we worked on \$251,000.00, in 2011 we have \$138,000.00. Our budget this year is \$484,000.00 to provide appropriate training, etc. We need to look at new ways to bring in revenue. There could be serious complications if we can't keep up the revenue to continue with the same standards to protect the safety of our responders and the equipment they use.</p> <p>The NFIRS, (National Fire Incident Reporting) for 2010 only lacks a couple of departments' statistics. If they are done by March, OFPC rewards \$1,000 for training at Montour Falls. The Technical Rescue Team utilizes that for their training.</p> <p>There will be a EMD Dispatch meeting coming up soon. Still working on legal issues for Murphy Training Center. There is a Smoke Detector giveaway up till April 1<sup>st</sup> with OFPC. They have 10 year batteries and are high quality detectors. This is available for local departments to install in their communities.</p>
<b>Committees</b>	
<b>R-Fire Committee</b>	Ron Johnson reported 17 students in the R-Fire Program. Ron encouraged having the Chief's update the eligibility of the students. Will be working with Pat Cook on the issues.
<b>Loan Committee:</b>	Jim Shephard was not in attendance at this time. Skip Cavallaro talked to Jim about the possibility of Ellery Center purchasing an Ambulance. Would like to borrow \$50,000.00 from the Revolving Loan monies the County has available. 90% of their calls are EMS based. They are looking at several options before they borrow money, but would like to have this opportunity available as an option. Mike Przybycien made a motion that Ellery Center is approved to borrow up to \$50,000.00 through the revolving loan for an Ambulance Replacement. This was 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Ray Lawson. All were in favor, motion passed.

<b>Mutual Aid and Bylaw Committee:</b>	Scott Cummings will be getting with the Mutual Aid Committee soon. Scott read the proposed changes for the by-laws which clarifies their meaning.
<b>CAD Committee:</b>	Several people signed up for this committee. Scott will look over all the committee lists and submit it to the minutes.
<b>Radio Committee:</b>	Jack Knowlton mentioned a meeting they had last week. There is \$50,000 available to start upgrading the radios on the towers and some repeaters. This will keep paging going. This includes two 300-watt radios in the Gerace Office Building.
<b>Facilities Committee:</b>	Scott said they will be setting up a meeting for February 1 <sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm in the EOC for the Facilities Committee. The committee needs to get moving on plans for the Dunkirk Training Facility. This plan has to be ready to give to legislature by April. Another part to the facilities committee is to decide how pole barn will be built. Denny Barmore had nothing to report at this time. The committee will be starting the fire alarm system in Station 7.
<b>Vehicle Replacement Committee</b>	Skip Cavallaro had nothing to report at this time. Scott Cummings mentioned he wants Mike Przybycien to be on a committee which will get a MERV trailer all set up for response. A date will be set to start this committee after the EMS Council meeting next Tuesday night. (The EMS Meeting was moved to January 25, 2011.
<b>Awards Committee:</b>	There was nothing to report at this time. A letter will be send out for candidates for FF of the year by February.
<b>State Chief's Association:</b>	Ron Johnson is trying to get conference call going regarding the hospitality room. To become member of the Chief's Association you can get an application from Ron or go online and fill one out. Neil McNeight told Ron the conference call has been scheduled for Sunday January 30 <sup>th</sup> at 7pm.
<b>Communications:</b>	Scott Cummings has asked Steve McAninch to be on the CAD Committee and to be on a new Committee that involves a communications trailer and will be a communications trailer between fire service and the Sheriff's Department. Scott read the current list of Ex-Officio's on the FAB list and inquired whether the board still wanted these names on the list or not. Ron Trippy made a motion to keep the names of ex-officios as listed. This was 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Larry Barter. All were in favor, motion passed.
<b>Old Business</b>	The FAB has a flower fund that has very little money in it. All members were reminded this fund is there if they choose to donate.
<b>New Business</b>	Scott was unable to change the May meeting date, but the FAB in June is now the 9 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>Off the Floor</b>	Scott reminded everyone that the by-laws state if you miss three meetings in a row without being excused, you will be replaced by your alternate. Just call. This even counts for picnic/Christmas dinner.
<b>Adjourned</b>	A motion was made to adjourn by Bob Franke at 9:11pm. Ray Lawson 2 <sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
	<b>2010 Motions made</b>
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