



NORTHERN CHESTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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October Advisory Board Notes 10/03/2024.

DES Report:

- County Property Tax Credit: Will be meeting the County admins to discuss tax rebate potential updates and trainings. Meet on 22nd of October to finalize any changes. 2nd check run went out on the 2nd.
- New Pagers/Paging System – 3 RFP Responses were received
 - One was rejected as it did not meet maintenance requirements. Remaining vendors adjusting their bids based on meeting with the County.
- Training: \$30,100 grant awarded to training center. Doing upgrades to rescue tools. Will be half Holmatro and half Hurst tools. Lack of junk cars due to backlog of getting salvage titles from the state. Got a vehicle rescue demo prop, look to see in November.
- FM 7 Investigations, 3 Notifications. HazMat 1 Team Response, 2 Duty Officer Notifications, 1 Notification.

Districts:

- **North** – Next meeting is 11/13 at Ridge. Got award announcement of grant to refurb the Safety Trailer. North would like cross streets to remain on the fire dispatches.
- **South** – West Grove, Avondale, and other southern townships are looking to do a study to look at regionalization. 3rd party organization. Reviewing polices for arrival assignments.
- **East** – Amtrak to schedule classes at Berwyn this winter
- **West** – Met last month, looking at a potential lack of an air truck in the region coming up in the future.
- **Central** – No Report.
- **EMS** – Lengthy discussion at EMS Ops meeting about the abuse of Bypass command. Not a lot of teeth from the regulatory side of the region. Discussion on challenges facing different agencies. Working on contract pricing for charting software fees and talking with the 5 major brands.
- **Fire Police** – Not Present
- **RTF** – Nothing new to report.
- **FTF** – Decision made to disband the Fire Task Force. Chester County was the last county in the region to maintain the Fire Task Force. Its original intentions were to support the other counties in the region.

Old Business:

- Training Engine: On display for October Meeting.
- Ops Committee – Nothing to report

New Business:

- Golf Outing – May 5th at Whitford CC.
- Career Chiefs Committee chair - Steve Dobson. Bylaw change to add the position of the Career Chief Committee. Joe recommended adding that it should be stated that you can't hold two voting positions on the AB.
- Nomination Committee Established.