



NORTHERN CHESTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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C/O RIDGE FIRE COMPANY
480 RIDGE RD. SPRING CITY, PA. 19475 - 9678

Minutes for the November 13, 2024, Meetings

PCH Foundation Meeting

Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Kimes at the Ridge Fire Co at 1901Hrs.
- The pledge to the flag was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

Attendance:

- An attendance sheet was circulated with 18 members from 9 Departments.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

- A motion was made by Jay Pollinger (61) and seconded by Ray Kolb (62) to approve the minutes as circulated and forego reading them, all in favor.

New Business:

- Sam Elliot is the new Program Manager with PCHF and she was in attendance this evening.
- Mini Grants now have a Passcode to enter. Just call Sam or anyone at PCHF to get you set up.
 - Everyone is in good standing for Mini Grants

Old Business:

- Safety Trailer Upgrades and Funding.
 - Motion was made to accept the grant from the State and perform the upgrades to the trailer. Ed Walters (65) Made the motion, seconded by Roger Kolb (62), All in Favor.
 - Trailer will also be re-lettered, new advertisements added, and fire prevention Materials.

Safety Truck & Trailer:

- Safety Trailer will be getting its refurb January 7th – 9th at Limerick. Training is tentatively scheduled for January 9th in the evening.

Correspondence:

- None

Good of the Company:

- With no further business to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Ed Walters (65) and seconded by Ray Kolb (62). All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 1911 Hours.

Northern Chester County Fire Chiefs Association Meeting

Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Kimes at the Ridge Fire Co. at 1911Hrs.

Roll Call of Officers:

- All Present

Previous Meeting Minutes:

- A motion was made by Marty Blumenthal (73) and seconded by Jay Pollinger (61) to approve the September minutes and forgo reading them. All in Favor.

Treasurer's Report:

- September's Beginning Balance: \$18,328.72 as of 8/25/2024
- Deposits of \$0.00 and \$1.67 Interest
- Credits of \$233.68 Jonathan For Food CK#387
- September's Ending Balance: \$18,106.71 as of 09/25/2024
- October's Starting Balance of \$18,106.71 as of 09/25/2024
- Deposits of \$0.00 and \$1.51 (Interest)
- Credits of \$0.00
- August's Ending Balance of \$18,108.22 as of 10/25/2024.
- Treasurer's Report stands approved as read.

Correspondence: None

CCFCA Advisory Board Report:

- October and November Advisory Board Notes Distributed
- Cross Streets are no longer being offered on dispatches in an effort to shorten dispatches.
 - Please make sure to ask for cross streets if you are unsure.

- 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.
- 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.
- Jonathan talked about the possibility of adding EMS on to an active brush fire. For longer term discussion on doing alarm levels for Brush Fires. To be discussed further in 2025

DES Report: Justin McClure

- Look for the County Burn Ban to be extended into December
- The State did not have any Air Resources on contract for the Fall. That has since changed.
- Radio Maintenance Inc. will be the new paging vendor - POC SAG. Swiss Phone pager possibly. Start in 2025 to 2026

FM & HazMat Report: Justin McClure

- No Report

Old Business:

- Thank you, Richard, for renewing the domain and site hosting for the website. Updated design ideas still in progress

New Business:

- Discussions on the recent burn band and brush fires.

Good of the Company:

- Montco Report: Nothing to Report
- Nomination Committee – Ed Walters
 - President – Jeff Kimes
 - Vice President – Ed Walters
 - Treasurer – Pete Hornsberger
 - Secretary – Jonathan Brackbill
 - Secretary to cast the single ballot for all positions as there were no opposing candidates
 - Thank You to Julius for his time as Vice Present to the Association.

Close:

- Being no further business to conduct a motion was made by Jay Pollinger (61) and seconded by Roger Kolb (62) for adjournment at 1936Hrs, all in favor. The next meeting will be at the Ridge Fire Co on January 8th, 2025. Have a Great Holiday!

November 13th, 2024,

Jonathan Brackbill

NCCFCA Secretary