

**Prince Georges County Fire Commission Meeting**  
**Wednesday, February 6, 2002**  
**Cranford/Graves Fire Services Building**

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Meeting called to order by Vice Chairman Strine, at 1930 hrs.

Prayer and pledge by Commissioner Granados.

Vice Chairman Strine:

- Audit underway is just about done. Everything seems to be going OK just a few small problems such as missing checks and co mingling of funds.
- Question from last meeting concerning station 1's ambulance was addressed by apparatus maintenance by letter to Chairman Robison. They report that the ambulance has been towed to the vendor for repairs.
- Concerning the problem with the Hurst tool at station 8, Mr. Benadeti has informed Chairman Robison that he called station 8 and no one knows anything about a problem with the Hurst tool. Mr. Benadeti advised a representative from Hurst would visit station 8 and advise the Commission if there is a problem with the tool.
- Had the monthly budget meeting and as of December 31<sup>st</sup> the apparatus maintenance budget has been over spent by \$652,277.00 and the fuel budget has been over spent by \$14,930.00. What is going to be done about it is yet to be seen. Chairman Robison will get with the rest of the Commissioners to try to come up with a plan. Coming up with a plan will be difficult due to the fact the budget was under-funded to begin with.
- **Motion by Commissioner Granados second by Secretary Mutchler to accept the minutes of the previous meeting.** Correction by Jim Trexler on the spelling of Mr. Oladeinde. **Motion changed to accept the minutes as amended. Motion approved.**
- Called on President Smith to explain a letter from John Crisman that has been distributed. President Smith received a call from Mr. Crisman explaining that the information on the sheet that is being handed out is needed by February 15<sup>th</sup>. We are being told that if the information is not received by the due date we will not receive our 508 money.

Commissioner Wood:

- The following stations have not turned in their officer and member certifications yet, 2,5,6,12,14,17,25,29,31,34,37,38,48 and 49. Commissioners responsible for these stations should contact them and urge them to get this information turned in. Station management checks will not be distributed to any station that does not have this information turned in.
- Received some officer certifications and am in the process of going over them. Will have a list by the next meeting as to who has turned in their lists and the dates of the terms of office.
- Will not be at the audit; will be in Daytona Beach FL.

Commissioner Norris:

- Questioned as to whether the Commissioners will be able to meet with the auditors after the audit is over. Vice Chairman Stine will check with the auditors and see if they will meet with us. It should also be brought to their attention the ridiculous amount of time it has taken to complete this audit.
- Received a complaint from station 29 concerning problems with the uniform vendor. Jim Trexler advised that approximately 5 different contractors were contacted about this contract and this was the only bidder for the contract.

Commissioner Woods:

- Received a request from station 43 would like to replace bunks and mattresses due to the addition of staffing. **Motion by Commissioner Woods second by Secretary Mutchler that station 43 be allowed to spend \$2,400.00 on complete bunk sets. Motion approved.**

Secretary Mutchler:

- Minutes of previous minutes are on the web page.

Commissioner Granados:

- All LOSAP prepares are encouraged to use the new web based LOSAP program to get use to using it because next year all LOSAP will have to be done on the new system. Discussed things that need to be done and ways to do them.

Commissioner Russell:

- Asked for clarification on what is exactly needed as in certifications. The only certifications needed were for operational members.

President Smith:

- Discussed meetings that were being held in reference to Resolution 43 and gave an update as to what is being done at this time to defend against this attack.

Jim Trexler:

- Finally got the case to the pat tag machine open and hopefully we can get the memory updated and get the machine operating.
- A question came up concerning the project at station 38 as to what type of HVAC system is going to be used. A load test will be conducted to determine the answer to that.
- Had a meeting on station 43's roof, seems to be moving along well.
- Project on station 28's roof is coming along well.
- Stores requests are still being received for automotive supplies. The County has not established a how they are going to handle the contract for automotive supplies. They are depleting what inventory they have. They would like to do a stockless inventory.

Questions and comments from around the room:

Question on if we will have a back up to the pat tag machine due to the problems with the current machine.

Question to Commissioner Norris concerning office supplies for station 29.

Frank Underwood:

- Advises that the Ladies Auxiliary night at the Bay Sox will be Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> this year.
- Expressed from the members of station 14 their thanks for all of those who helped and supported them in their time of need.
- Several good things have been in the newspaper during the past week.
- Training records have all been loaded and members can contact the training academy to get copies or update their training records.

President Smith read a letter from John Crisman commending the Ladies Auxiliary for the outstanding job they did loading the training records into the computer.

Question about the contracts for the volunteer recruits classes. The contract should be in place by the 1<sup>st</sup> of March.

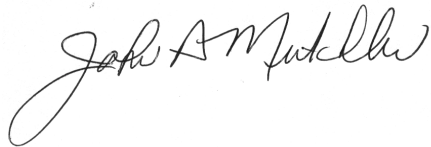
Dave Sutton informed everyone of the revamping of the Association web page.

Question to Jim Trexler on supplies ordered and not received.

The next meeting of the Fire Commission will be held at station 18 on Wednesday, February 20, 2002 @ 1930.

**There being no further business to come before the Commission Motion made by Secretary Mutchler and second by Commissioner Granados to adjourn. Motion approved, the meeting was adjourned at 2050.**

Respectfully submitted,



John A. Mutchler  
Secretary