



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

Commissioners in attendance: Chairman Robison, Vice Chairman Strine, Secretary Mutchler, Commissioners Norris, Fuller, Smith, Woods and Wood.

19:30 Prayer and Pledge by Chairman Robison.

Commissioner Woods:

- Received several requests from West Lanham Hills. District Commissioner will handle all requests.
- Discussed exorbitant costs made by Apparatus Maintenance for several items. Also the possibility of charging by vendors for same repairs. Will continue to investigate and report back to Commission.

Commissioner Smith:

- No report.

Vice Chairman Strine:

- Discussed monthly meeting with Lt. Col. Wells, Danny Bennadette and John Crisman. If current spending continues at same pace, Apparatus Maintenance will end up 1.1 million dollars over budget. The fuel budget will be around 55 thousand dollars over budget.
- Received print out from Jim Trexler of expenditures from Logistics. There are a couple of stations that have already depleted their entire operational budget for the year. There are several that have spent approximately half of their operational budget. A lot of stations have spent almost one third of their operational budget. Copies of the report will be made and distributed.
- Reported on the progress of the station management contracts. The contracts will not be accepted until they are all in. The following stations have not turned in their signed contracts as of yet: 1, 2, 8, 9, 13, 18, 31, 33 and 38. As soon as these stations turn in their contracts they will all be submitted. Once submitted it will take approximately 45 days to process and have the checks issued.

Commissioner Fuller:

- There has been no progress on the LOSAP program.
- Have a request from station 7 for some training, which will be given to Jeff Dickey to see if it can be done through field operations. If not it will be brought back to the Commission for approval.

Commissioner Norris:

- No report.

Secretary Mutchler:

- **Motion by Secretary Mutchler second by Commissioner Fuller to approve the minutes of the October 16th meeting. Motion approved.**

Chairman Robison for Commissioner Granados:

- Received the requests for LOSAP from the following individuals:
 - Lloyd M Brooks - station 17 for 33 years.
 - William E Mould - station 22 for 31 years.
 - Carl Chilcoata - station 31 for 27 years and 2 months.
- **Motion made by Commissioner Fuller second by Commissioner Smith to approve LOSAP requests for the above individuals. Motion approved.**
- There are currently 4 stations that have not turned in their LOSAP information that is due in by November 15th. They are 13, 19, 34 and 38.
- With the stations that have reported we are down 69 members for the year.

Chairman Robison:

- Discussed what the Commission would like to do about having the second meeting of the month in a station.
- **Motion by Commissioner Woods second by Commissioner Fuller that the Fire Commission hold their second meeting of the month in any station that requests to host it. Motion approved.**
- The next meeting will be held at station 20, hosted by the Marlboro Volunteer Fire Department.

Jim Trexler:

- Discussed the issue of not mixing office supplies with other items on stores requests. Office supplies has a different numbering system and are ordered on a different system, mixing them with other items gets confusing.
- Had the bid opening on the HVAC system for station 19. Was told by Facilities Maintenance to allow for \$130,000.00 for the actual installation of the system. Only one bid was received and that was for, \$219,000.00. The design of the system will be changed and the bid has been extended.
- Station 38 CIP project has been forwarded to procurement and will be advertised shortly. The project consists of renovation of the bunkroom, male and female facilities and upgrade of the HVAC system.
- Was directed by the Fire Chief to turn off the utilities in station 6 by the end of October. Members of station 6 have been advised of this and facilities maintenance will go in and winterize the station.

Chairman Robison:

- Sent a letter to County Executive elect Johnson requesting a meeting with the Fire Commission.
- Discussed a misunderstanding that Lt. Col. Wells has concerning the Training Budget and the MFRI contract. He is under the assumption that

the \$59,000.00 spent from the MFRI contract is from the \$60,000.00 Training Budget. Vice Chairman Strine will straiten the misunderstanding out at the next budget meeting.

Questions and comments from around the room.

President Ladies Auxiliary Teresa Crisman:

- Discussed the Care Bear fundraiser the Auxiliary will be holding.

President Tucker:

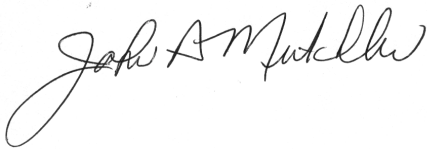
- Was contacted by County Executive elect Johnson's office, we are trying to schedule a meeting for next week.
- Still have about 5, 508 checks to give out.

Commissioner Wood:

- **Motion by Commissioner Wood second by Commissioner Norris to grant equivalency training for the following individuals:**
 - **Nickolas Burkholder - station 1**
 - **Matthew McDowell - station 1**
 - **James GerBasi - station 1**
 - **Jason Miller - station 28**
 - **Derrick Potts - station 28**
 - **Jeffery P Fister - station 28**
 - **Scott Yates - station 28**
 - **Charles Poe - station 28**
- **All training is in order. Motion approved.**

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 20:35.

Respectfully,



John A. Mutchler
Secretary