



Prince Georges County Fire Commission Meeting Wednesday December 21, 2005 Ritchie VFD, station 37

1930: Meeting called to order by Chairman Strine.

Prayer and pledge by Chief Chaplain Litchfield.

Chairman Strine:

- Updated everyone on the concerns about is going to make the determination of negligence for lost and/or damaged new regulators and face pieces. The Fire Commission will make the determination.
- Have received requests about the Fire Commission purchasing storage lockers. Commissioner Norris has information has information on affordable lockers that stations can request out of their operational budgets.
- The Fire Commission has to appear before the Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee on January 25th at 11 AM in room 2027 in the CAB. They want to know how we are doing on our budget. We also have a list of questions they would like us to answer. A copy of the list was given to each Commissioner.
- The request that was approved at the last Fire Commission meeting to ask that the budget enhancements request for 2007 be designated to insurance premiums if no assistance is obtained by the County Council. That letter has been sent.
- We have located \$330,000.00 from the FY06 budget to pay the insurance premiums for the companies for January 06 through June 06. We are waiting for county personnel to approve the project.

Commissioner Norris:

- The LOSAP audit is coming along, we are still waiting for Mt. Rainier to complete their audit.
- Read a list of companies that need to pick up their 508 checks.

Commissioner Demeritt:

- Received credentials from Brad Lovell from company 10 to enable him to be a Chief officer at company 10
- Also received credentials from Riverdale tonight.
- Wanted to know if the letter the Fire Commission was supposed to send to the Fire Chief requesting the CIP projects be returned to Jim Trexler was sent.

Commissioner Fuller:

- Had a meeting with the companies with company owned ambulances and work is progressing.
- Attended the quarterly training meeting last week.

Commissioner Granados:

- Still working on the \$4 award for those that have completed.

Secretary Mutchler:

- **Motion by Secretary Mutchler second by Commissioner Woods that the minutes of the December 7th meeting be approved as submitted. Motion approved.**
- Received a letter from the Hyattsville VFD, station 1, regarding the purchase of their new Ladder Truck. They have ordered a new 2006 Seagrave Tractor Drawn Aerial anticipated to be delivered around May of 2006. They are requesting that the new Truck be approved to replace their 2000 Pierce, which has been sold. **Motion by Vice Chairman Fuller Second by Commissioner Woods to approve the request. Motion approved.**
- Advised by College Park VFD about problems with the stations phone system. Well defer discussion for Jim Trexler's report.

Commissioner Woods:

- No report.

Commissioner Bolden:

- No report.

Commissioner Underwood:

- Request the Fire Commission to spend up to \$500.00 to restock the finger print kits that are being used for new member application processing. **Motion by Commissioner Granados second by Commissioner Underwood to approve the request. Motion approved.**
- Discussed running for Second Vice President of the Maryland State Firemens Association.

Report from Chaplain Litchfield.

Jim Trexler:

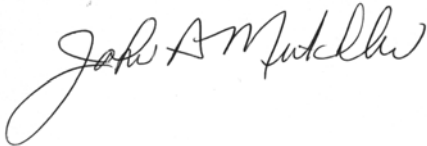
- Question to Secretary Mutchler if the generator on the Ladder Truck that Hyattsville is getting ready to sell was purchased with the Truck or if it was supplied by Prince Georges County. (Secretary Mutchler will contact Hyattsville to inquire)
- Discussed the new Stores catalog, it has been distributed and is still being worked on so there may be some additions.
- Discussed a list of maintenance jobs that will be completed utilizing operating funds. Will work with Battalion Chief Lamden to let him know which projects should be done using CIP funds.
- Received notification that there will be a price increase with the new EMS gear. An order was placed for all of the EMS gear that is known to be needed to lock in the current price.

- Discussed a problem of overhead doors at stations 20, 35, 37 and 43 that do not have any kind of safety devices on them. The total to install safety devices on these doors will be approximately \$14,400.00 which would come out of station maintenance. **Motion by Commissioner Granados second by Vice Chairman Fuller to approve the funds to install the safety devices.**
Motion approved.
- Discussed a problem with a fuel leak found during a PM on station 43's generator.
- Discussed a problem with the phone system in the College Park VFD, station 12. There are questions as to who is responsible for maintaining the system. We believe, due to prior agreements, that the University of Maryland is responsible to maintain the system. Fred Welsh, Chief 12, attempted to clarify the problems with the phones and any agreements that were supposedly made between the University and the County. Mr. Trexler will research the issue further and report back to the Commission.

Questions and comments were entertained from around the room.

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

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John A. Mutchler". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

John A. Mutchler
Secretary