



**Prince Georges County Fire Commission Meeting
Wednesday February 1, 2006
Cranford-Graves Fire Services Building**

1930: Meeting called to order by Chairman Strine.

Prayer and pledge by Chief Chaplain Litchfield.

Chairman Strine:

- ⇒ Discussed the attendance by the Chairman and the Vice Chairman at the County Council's committee on Public Safety and Fiscal Affairs meeting last Wednesday to go over the progress of the first six months of the 2006 budget.
- ⇒ Discussed the ongoing problems with the volunteer physicals. The problems seemed to be worked out and Dyna Medical will now be giving 40 volunteer physicals per month. A schedule for the physicals will be put in the packet at the next Association meeting.
- ⇒ The legislation for the LOSAP has been signed off by everyone and is now in the office of Pensions and Benefits. They need to do an actuarial study to find out exactly how much it is going to cost, this should take about 2 weeks.
- ⇒ Discussed a grant received by Prince Georges County for exhaust systems.
- ⇒ Discussed a meeting attended by Chairman Strine and Commissioner Underwood with the Fire Chief and representatives from the Department of Justice concerning EEO complaints and the consent decree the Fire Department was under. The career side has pretty much been squared away, but there still seems to be a lot of problems on the volunteer side. A copy of the report will be given to all volunteer companies.
- ⇒ A letter needs to be sent to the Chief Administrative officer concerning the MOU for the Senator Amos 508 funds, a copy of the letter was read. Consensus by the Commission was to send the letter.
- ⇒ The Station Management contract for FY 2007/08 is being completed. Vice Chairman Fuller gave an update of the progress.

Commissioner Underwood:

- ⇒ Announced a grant workshop coming up on Tuesday, February 21st being held at MFRI from 1900 to 2100 hours.

Commissioner Bolden:

- ⇒ No report.

Commissioner Granados:

- ⇒ Updated everyone on current relocation arrangements.
- ⇒ Remarked on the LOSAP enhancement. Requests that people who are going to be eligible for LOSAP under the new rules to please hold your requests till after the legislation has been passed. When it passes information will be sent out to all stations with information on how to apply for their awards.

- ⇒ Working on the 4 dollar a month increase for those who are eligible.

Vice Chairman Fuller:

- ⇒ Expanded on the remarks concerning the new LOSAP enhancements.
- ⇒ Updated everyone on the progress of the company owned ambulance funding issue.

Secretary Mutchler:

- ⇒ **Motion by Secretary Mutchler second by Commissioner Woods to approve the minutes of the January 18th meeting be approved as amended. Motion approved.**

Commissioner Woods:

- ⇒ Everything seems quite, just had to address a few minor problems concerning apparatus maintenance.
- ⇒ Discussed a situation at station 13 that needed to be resolved and expressed appreciation to Jim Trexler for assisting in getting it done.

Commissioner Demeritt:

- ⇒ **Motion by Commissioner Demeritt second by Commissioner Woods to approve equivalency to the following individuals:**

- Jerman, Charles Co 29
- Nash, Kevin Co 29
- Ennis, Richard Co 48

Motion approved.

- ⇒ Individuals that were approved at the January 18th meeting were, Richard Thompson, Co 9 and Aaron Bingaman, Co 9.
- ⇒ Nancy is making labels that will go out tomorrow for the continuing education credit.
- ⇒ A packet containing information on what forms to fill out for equivalency and to obtain gear has been completed and will be available to those that need it.
- ⇒ Station 57 is going to request that the county start picking up the utility bills for station 57.

Report from Chaplain Litchfield.

Report from President Dickey.

Jim Trexler:

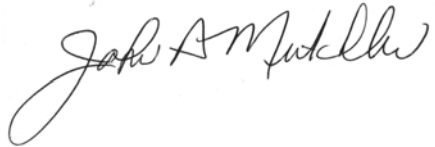
- ⇒ Submitted report for gear issued in January.
- ⇒ Update on the EMS gear.
- ⇒ Discussed a need to do a pager inventory.
- ⇒ Discussed the exhaust ventilation systems.
- ⇒ Hopefully by the first of next month we will have a spreadsheet showing how each individual station is doing on their budget.

Update on the new county ambulances by Danny Benedetti.

Questions and comments entertained from around the room.

They're being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 20:30.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Mutchler". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

John A. Mutchler
Secretary