



## Prince George's County Fire Commission Meeting Wednesday, September 6, 2006 Cranford - Graves Fire Services Building

1934 Meeting called to order by Chairman Strine

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance by Chief Chaplain Litchfield

### **Chairman Strine:**

- Received Apparatus Expenditures through 9/6/06 and will distribute them at the next Association Meeting.
- MOU's with all signatures are available for pickup for company files. If not picked up, they will be put in the packets at the Association Meeting.
- The canteen unit is in service. Thanks go out to Bob McGhee, Larry Lee, Jim Trexler, Danny Benedetti, Lt. Col. Granzow and Company 37. Call for it if you need it.
- Along with Vice Chair Woods, met with Nancy Tercianno in reference to adjustments that will need to be made in the Commission budget line items to cover the over expenditure on apparatus insurance. Budgeted for \$517,000 but the bill came in at \$760,000 and was paid.
  - Question from the floor concerning the effect this will have on other area of the budget – Chairman Strine advised that the bulk of the budget is apparatus maintenance and it will absorb the bulk of the hit, but there is no intention of “parking” apparatus as a result.

### **Commissioner Underwood:**

- The canteen unit made it's first run shortly after being placed in service. Photos of the unit in action are on Branchville's website.

### **Commissioner Lau:**

- Companies 2, 4, 5, 9, 11, 14, 19, 26, 28, 29, 35, 36, and 40 have turned in their LOSAP reports to date. Companies 22 and 33 turned theirs in tonight.
- Read numbers compiled thus far from the reports turned in.

- Motion to award LOSAP benefits to:
  - Thomas W. Scott - Co. 2 Seconded by Commissioner Mann. Motion Approved
  - Barry Miller and Lawrence Trainum - Co. 3 Seconded by Commissioner Mann. Motion Approved
  - Roger Rinehart - Co. 9 Seconded by Commissioner Underwood. Motion Approved
  - James Collins, Michael Crotts, David Cunningham, Robert Scaggs, and William Watts - Co. 10 Seconded by Commissioner Underwood. Motion Approved
  - Larry Hudson, Earl Lutz, Lee Lutz, James Oslin, and John Page - Co. 18 Seconded by Commissioner McGhee. Motion Approved
  - Eric Van Tassel - Co. 20 Seconded by Commissioner Strine. Motion Approved
  - Edward McMahan - Co. 25 Seconded by Commissioner McGhee. Motion Approved
  - Jeffrey Sheriff, and Steven Sheriff - Co. 40 Seconded by Commissioner McGhee. Motion Approved
  - Duane Allen, and Deborah Pardue - Co.48 Seconded by Commissioner Mann. Motion Approved
  - Les Hedrick - Co. 27 Seconded by Commissioner McGhee. Motion Approved
  - Fred Mills - Co. 28 Seconded by Commissioner Sutton. Motion Approved
  - Anthony Santini - Co. 33 Seconded by Commissioner Mann. Motion Approved
- Total of 58 members eligible to date under the new policy..

**Commissioner Mann:**

- Station 17 is requesting that additional outside lighting be installed for security purposes. Without objection the matter will be forwarded to Mr. Trexler's office.
- Station 33 will host the October 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Commission at Company 33

**Commissioner Sutton:**

- No report

### **Commissioner McGhee:**

- Met with Col. Wells regarding the “One-Stop” application process. Members will be directed to a Volunteer Member Coordinator who will handle application process from start to finish. Much discussion was held regarding the set up of the program. Advised that as a secondary function of the position, the VMC will collect data to provide retention feedback.
  - Unable to commit as to whether the VMC will report to the Commission of the Chief’s Office, but believe it will probably be to Lt. Col. Granzow
  - 1<sup>st</sup> VP Collins expressed the Associations desire to make sure that the Commission has control over this program and the VMC before agreeing to it.
  - Motion by Commissioner McGhee, seconded by Commissioner Sutton to proceed forward with the development of the program. Motion Approved

### **Jim Collins, 1<sup>st</sup> VP PGCVFRA:**

- Convention begins this Saturday. Hopes to see everyone there.

### **Jim Trexler:**

- Charge/Credit statements were given fro July.
- Turnout Gear Issue Report for August
- The new N-99 masks are one-size-fits-all, there is no need to specify a size when ordering.
- Anyone involved in the operations at Farragut Street that filed an exposure report is reminded to bag their gear in a RED bag and send it to Maryland Fire Equipment for cleaning notifying them that it is for asbestos exposure.
- Logistics will be open Saturday, September 9, 2006 for issuing 2<sup>nd</sup> sets of gear only.

### **Danny Benedetti:**

- To date there have been 32 ambulance placed in service.

### **Chaplain Litchfield:**

- September 11, 2006 7:00 pm is the Convention Memorial Service
- October 14, 2006 at 12:00 noon will be the Founders Circle Ceremony

Next meeting of the Commission will be at the Fire Services Building.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned following Benediction by Chief Chaplain Litchfield.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. W. Sutton', written in a cursive style.

David W. Sutton,  
Secretary