

MINUTES OF THE
FIRE COMMISSION
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MARYLAND

DATE: 9/2/09

LOCATION: FSB

In Attendance

John Alter, Chairman
Vince Harrison, Vice Chairman
Mike Alfieri
Jonathan Bigony
Janet DeMerritt
Bryan Lau
Mike Mattison
Frank Underwood
Harve Woods

Chaplain Litchfield gave the opening prayer and led the pledge of allegiance.

Chairman Alter gave opening remarks.

Lt. Col Peden spoke about the current status of the Training Academy. Lt. Col Peden also spoke about current financial matters.

Vice Chairman Harrison

Vice Chairman Harrison spoke about Workers Compensation Insurance. Vince reported on a meeting he attended concerning Workers Compensation Insurance. John Bigony will be in charge of the Workers Compensation matter.

As respects fit tests, Vince has continued to review matters relating to accepting fit tests from other jurisdictions.

Frank Underwood

Tag information is still due.

There are problems with companies taking hose repairs directly to Maryland Fire. If the request does not go thru the Commission, the Company must pay for the repairs themselves.

Frank Underwood made a motion to approve \$2,700 for the purchase of printer cartridges. Second by Commissioner Woods. Passed.

Commissioner Bigony

No report.

Commissioner Woods

Motion by Harve Woods to approve \$5,761.16 from station management funds for reimbursement of expenses for repairs to 487, office supplies from staples and repairs to the B chief Vehicle

Chairman Alter

The next meeting of the Commission will be held on 9/16 at station 27. On October 21 the meeting will be held at station 37.

The Chairman reported on the status of the Audit. The Chairman also reported on the LOSAP Review. Information concerning the results of the review will be sent to the companies.

As respects Station Management, Commissioner DeMerritt will speak on that shortly. There has been a problem getting the signed contracts from the companies.

Apparatus Maintenance has been strictly controlled. BPA's and BPO's are an issue to include quality assurance relating to the repairs. Funds have been reallocated to permit repairs to additional apparatus.

A meeting was held concerning 508 funds. The issues raised from the audit need to be resolved. Most matters have been concluded. The State has questioned the stated need met by the 508 funds. Payments for the 4th quarter have been held until the question of need can be resolved and other administrative questions resolved.

Motion by VC Harrison for Executive Committee Meeting on 9/10/09 at 1900 hrs. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss LOSAP matters, CIP and 508 allocation. Second by Commissioner Woods. Passed.

Motion by Harve Woods to authorize the Chairman to send the station management contracts to the County on Friday if the remaining station management contract is not received by that date. Second by Mike Alfieri. Passed.

Commissioner DeMerritt

Commissioner DeMerritt distributed a list of information required to support the 508 funding.

19 Physicals were recently received from Concentra. There are still problems with physicals that Commissioner DeMerritt will continue to work on.

A request has been received from Co 27 to replace a vehicle. Commissioner DeMerritt made a Motion to approve \$10,000 for the down payment for a replacement utility vehicle from 508 funds. Second by Commissioner Alfieri. Passed.

Pagers. Commissioner DeMerritt spoke about the need for pagers for Volunteers. Chairman Alter joined the discussion and expressed the need for pagers for the volunteer fire service. Jonathan Bigony joined the conversation and gave background information relating to the pagers and the system in Prince George's County. It was agreed that the pagers need to be retained for Volunteers and home response.

Commissioner Alfieri

CIP update 35 AC working. Co 36 Working. Concrete issues, contractor has looked at projects and should be submitting proposals for work to be done.

New roofing contractor has been around to examine roofs.

CIP Deadline is the next meeting. Only one Company has submitted a CIP request.

Commissioner Mattison

The following Equivalency Applications were approved:

Name	Company	Rank	Motion by	Second by
Steven Lescure	28	FFI	Mattison	Harrison
Shawn Elmore	28	FFI	Mattison	Harrison
Tyler White	30	FFI	Mattison	Harrison
Jerome Draper	28	FFI	Mattison	Harrison
Kevin Donahue	33	FFI	Mattison	Alfieri
Wayne Benson	33	FFI	Mattison	Alfieri
Kevin Petty	33	FFI	Mattison	Harrison

All of the above motions were passed.

Next VRS Tuesday 9/22-24 and Sat 26 for the final. The 24th will be for Infection Control. Maximum class size 30.

Vice Chairman Harrison reported 97 new applicants in the prior month.

Vince Harrison made a motion to approve a request from Bunker Hill in the amount of \$3,000 from station management for an ice machine, second by Harve Woods. Passed.

Bryan Lau

Bryan Lau made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8/19/09. Second by

LOSAP Award - Burial Benefit

Name	ID	Co	Type of Award	Y	M	Award Date	Read at Commission Meeting	To Pensions
Kirk, George	1899	10	LOSAP	36		11/1/09		
PIRINGER, PETE A	122	12	LOSAP	23	11	01-Jul-09	Tabled 7/15/09	

Status of Company Reports - Report attached.

The Chairman took comments from the individuals in attendance.

The next meeting of the Fire Commission will be held at

Bryan Lau made a motion to adjourn at 9:26 PM, Second Mike Alfieri. Passed.

Respectfully Submitted By

Bryan Lau
Secretary

