



PINELLAS COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

MINUTES TO MEETING OF OCTOBER 4, 2001

Association Regular Meeting at 12:30

President Naylor called the meeting to order at 12:30

Invocation by Chief Naylor

Roll Call - 26 Members, 2 Guests

Introduction of Guests - Gay Lancaster, Interim County Administrator and Chief Bill Nesmith, FFCA District Director.

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Approval of Minutes from previous meeting, motion to accept by Chief McGuff, with the correction of adding the words "Mutual Aid Agreement" to Mike Cooksey's report from last month, second by Chief Fant, motion carried by viva voce vote.

Treasurer Report

Pinellas County Fire Chiefs Checking Account Balance	\$8,287.44
Save Cans for Safe Kids Checking Balance	\$1,370.48
Save Cans for Safe Kids CD Balance	\$5,066.72
TOTAL	\$14,724.64

Motion to accept Treasurers Report by Chief McGuff, seconded by Chief Leonard, motion carried by viva voce vote.

Guests

Chief Nesmith spoke on the recent activities of the FFCA. Included is a letter being sent to Florida Legislators regarding Terrorism response. The FFCA would like to be a lead agency in the planning for these events, as well as, a voice in how monies are spent. He also spoke on the Fire Standards Council which will have an expanded membership. Representing the FFCA will be Chief Dave Casey and Chief Les Hallman. Chief Nesmith will be announcing his candidacy for FFCA 2nd VP at Fire Rescue East. He would like the support of the PCFCA.

Gay Lancaster spoke on issues within the County. The search for the new County Administrator has been narrowed to four finalist. Gay will go back to her previous responsibilities. Gay spoke on the annexation issues in the County. A group will be assembled to look at how annexation will effect both cites and unincorporated areas. Discussion may range from a complete metro style government to total annexation. She also discussed the issue of reduced funding at the state level and the implications locally. Gay reminds the membership that she is always available to listen to the needs of the PCFCA and that the Training Center is still on track.

Correspondence

CISM Team - A request has been received for \$1,000 for the team. Motion to pay this amount by Chief Leahy, seconded by Chief McGuff, motion carried by viva voce vote.

Team Wish Charity Program - Chief Naylor received a letter requesting that Pinellas County Firefighters participate in this years "team challenge". The event is one day, February 23, 2001. Each department took a handout to post at their stations. Once each department has some interested people, the team will be selected.

Unfinished Business

NFPA 1710/20 - Chief McGuff spoke on his presentation on this standard that was done in Tarpon last month. All members agreed that he did a great job. Chief McGuff will chair a committee to look at this issue locally. The FFCA is doing a statewide study.

Mutual Aid Agreement - Mike is still working on the Communications Plan for this agreement. Further report next month.

New Business

211 - Chief Leahy asked if any departments were having any issues with the 211 system. None were reported. Jackie said that an emergency coming into 211 would be transferred to 911 immediately.

Committee Reports

Educational Committee - Chief Angle is seeking the membership's approval for the draft educational plan for next year. Motion by Chief Pidala, seconded by Chief Graves, to proceed with the draft plan, motion carried by viva voce vote.

Affiliate Reports:

Fire and EMS Administration - Dwaine Booth reported that the training center is moving ahead. He also spoke on traffic preemption and the impact of doing the system countywide. The County has purchased some software that can be used to show call demand in different grids, response time, etc. This software may, in the future, help a department with setting up run cards.

Emergency Communications/911: Jackie got 62 new PCs w/ CD Rom Drives. When placed into a station they will be locked down. Users meeting November 7, 2001.

SPC-EMS - BS Degree in EMS will be starting in 2002 through George Washington University. There is a BTLS Class coming up October 12th and 13th. Next Paramedic class begins April 8th. Anatomy and Physiology must be completed prior to entry. Check the web site, www.spjc.edu and click on EMS.

SPC-Fire - David Adams reported that the first fire academy will be starting this month. He is continuing to work with the committee for in service training. David reminded the membership about the programs offered by NTPI. We suggested that David possibly go to the up coming DAC meeting since many of the response to terror agencies would be represented there.

Good of the Organization

Sunstar is gearing up for the busy season in terms of hiring additional staff.

Chief Leahy discussed position openings at Pinellas Suncoast.

The PCFCA E-board recommends to the membership that J. Terry be granted Life Membership. Motion by Chief Pidala, second by Chief McGuff, to bestow life membership to Retired Chief Terry, motion carried by viva voce vote.

Next Meeting: November 1, 2001

Homer's Buffet
1451 N. Missouri Ave.

Chief's workshop at 11:15 / Lunch at 12:00 / Regular Meeting at 12:30.

Meeting Adjourned