

PINELLAS COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

April 5, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Angle at 12:35 PM. Ken Cramer provided the invocation and roll call was taken with 23 in attendance.

Chief Naylor made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Second by Chief Malzone, motion passed by voice vote. Thank you to Chief Yaudes for taking and completing the March minutes!

Treasurer's Report as of April 4, 2007:

PCFCA Checking	\$8,433.09
PCFCA Extrication	\$813.79
PCFCA Training/Ed.	\$1,480.53
SCFSK Checking	\$1,686.80
<u>SCFSK CD</u>	<u>\$5,001.70</u>
Total	\$17,415.91

Chief Naylor made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Second by Chief Lewis, motion passed by voice vote. Chief Lewis made a motion to provide a donation to the Hospice of Florida Suncoast in the amount of \$250 as thanks for letting the Association utilize their meeting facility for the Pride & Ownership seminar. Second by Chief O'Neal, motion passed by voice vote.

Correspondence

None.

New Business

President Angle introduced a guest, June Wallace of the Largo Mid-Pinellas Soroptimist Club. June provided a brief presentation on Domestic Violence and distributed book marks that could be left by field personnel in situations where domestic violence may be suspected. June may be reached at 727-688-0150 or juwalla@verizon.net for further information.

President Angle asked the membership if they would like to make a donation to the Gary Vickers Memorial trust Fund. Chief Moreno made a motion to donate \$300 to the trust fund. Second by O'Neal, motion passed by voice vote.

Chief Fant, as chairman of the elections committee presented the membership with the slate of officers for 2007/2008. They were: Dan Graves, President; Doug Lewis, Vice-President; Scott McGuff, Sec./Treasurer; Gordon Yaudes, South County Director; Deryll O'Neal, Mid-County Director; Jay Stout, North County Director; Jeff Malzone, Director at Large; Jim Angle, Past President. Chief Naylor made a motion to accept the slate of officers from the nominating committee. Second by Chief Meyer, there were no nominations from the floor, motion passed by voice vote. Congratulations to the new officers and directors, they will be sworn in at the May 3, meeting.

President Angle thanked Chiefs Fant, Naylor and Malzone for serving on the elections committee.

President Angle discussed the EMS Advisory Council, Association appointment. Currently Chief Naylor is appointed the primary representative and Chief Bullock as the alternate. Chief Naylor will be retiring effective June 1, so a new primary representative will be needed. President Angle stated that while Chief Bullock was not in attendance he had discussed the appointment and Chief Bullock was willing to serve as the primary representative. Chief Malzone made a motion that the Association's primary representative be Chief Bullock and that the appointment would become effective on May 1, 2007. Second by Chief Meyer, motion passed by voice vote.

President Angle asked for anyone interested in serving as the alternate please let him know.

Unfinished Business

Chief Livernois provided an update on the John Leahy retirement event. The event is still scheduled for the evening of Saturday June 2. The venue has been changed to the Sheraton Sand Key Resort. The cost per person will be \$40 and no early submittal of a deposit is required. Chief Livernois has created an event flyer/invitation which he will forward to President Angle for distribution. Ten-8 Fire Equipment and Elite Fire Equipment have each provided \$500 in sponsorship for the event.

Committee Reports

Operations Chiefs

Mike Wallace, Seminole Fire Rescue reported on a draft SOP for small (five gallons and less) hydro-carbon spills. These responses will no longer constitute a hazardous materials team response. The draft SOP will be distributed before the May 3, Association meeting for review and a vote of acceptance at the May 3, meeting.

Chief Wallace reported on a discrepancy in dollar loss figures between the state annual report and the county 911 CAD data. The state is under reporting dollar loss due to fire report rejections because of incorrect data entry in Type of Situation Found and/or Fixed Property Use. The Operations Chiefs and the newly formed Fire Marshals subcommittee will meet and work together with County 911 CAD personnel to seek solutions to this issue.

Chief Wallace reported on collaborations with County Emergency Management personnel to better define damage assessment priorities and reentry policies. The Operations Chiefs will be working with local agencies to identify target hazards for initial damage/life safety assessment. The committee is also trying to standardize the initial damage assessment survey model for first responders to simplify and streamline damage classifications. The committee hopes to have a draft procedure for review next month. The committee also has worked with Jackie Weinreich and County 911 CAD personnel to recommend outside agency disaster response unit designations. Chief Wallace provided the example that E29 and E129 would be Seminole Fire Rescue units; E229, E329, etc. up to E829 would be out of area engines. All of these units could be built into the existing CAD for dispatching purposes so that multiple units housed in the same station can be dispatched and tracked effectively. The E929 would not be available for dispatch by the CAD system but utilized by the local jurisdiction and tracked. A draft proposal and recommendation will be presented at the May 3, meeting.

Education Committee

No report.

Fire Marshals

Steve Strong, Clearwater Fire Rescue reported that the Pinellas Fire Marshals had held their first meeting as a working subcommittee of the Association. Fire Marshal Strong had been selected as the chairman and will be reporting at Association meetings. He requested that the Association provide the committee with feedback on the creation of a Pinellas 400 series SOP. The Association PCCLB fire department appointee, Chief Sullivan, Pinellas Park Fire Rescue will be retiring soon and that vacancy will require a new appointment. Fire Marshal Strong commented on the fire reporting dollar loss issue and looked forward to working on a solution with the Operations Chiefs in the near future.

PALS

Don Sayer, Tarpon Springs Fire Rescue reported that PALS had completed their annual elections and that he was the new president. Chief Sayer will be reporting at future Association meetings. Bill Ward, St. Petersburg Fire Rescue is the vice president and Aaron Gonzalez, Oldsmar Fire Rescue remains as the secretary/treasurer.

Training Officers

No report.

EMS First Responder Contract

Received completed draft from Craig Hare this week.

American Assembly

1. Marine Rescue Capabilities – No report.

Affiliate Member Reports

Fire & EMS

No report.

Emergency Management

Sally Bishop thanked everyone in the Association for their support during Gary Vickers hospitalization, death and memorial service. That support was appreciated by everyone at Emergency Management. She especially thanked Chief Mike Wallace for his efforts in coordinating Gary's memorial service.

Sally briefed everyone on the agenda for the April 24, emergency management coordinator's meeting beginning at 09:00 at the Largo EOC. Items to be discussed include: pet shelters, PODS, staging areas, Ready Alert status, disaster housing, communications between county and city PIO's. Sally urged all coordinators to attend.

The May 10, county hurricane exercise will focus on testing all forms of communications systems currently in place to assure operability.

Emergency Management is drafting a formal decision making process for the DAC and coordinators to utilize in making disaster recommendations.

Sally is seeking input from the fire service on how to better reach citizens with the emergency management disaster preparedness information and education.

Medical Director

Dr. Romig reported that she has sent recent cardiac and stemi system statistics to EMS coordinators for review. She thanked St. Petersburg for Grand Prix planning and EMS operations. The CPAP SOP is now in effect and is working well based on anecdotal reports.

Communications/911

Jackie Weinreich reported that the communications center was very busy and all is well. They have hired a new employee as an Information Analyst.

St. Petersburg College EMS

No report.

St. Petersburg College Fire

No report.

Red Cross

No report.

SunStar

Richard Schomp, interim executive director of operations reported that a new record for transports was set in March with over 11,000 transports performed.

Good of the Organization

Fire Chief Bill Naylor has announced his retirement from the City of South Pasadena effective June 1, 2007. Bill and his lovely wife will be taking an extended vacation trip to Italy beginning in mid-May. Place your orders for olive oil and some great Chianti with Bill at the May 3, meeting!

Ken Cramer reminded fire chiefs with DEP approved hazardous waste recyclers within their communities that state mandated funds for fire rescue departments are available.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM.

Next Meeting is May 3, 2007 at Stacey's Buffet.