

Pinellas County Fire Chief's Association
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2013

Attending Members:

Joe Accetta	James Angle
Rick Butcher	Richard Graham
Dan Graves	Tom Jamison
Guy Keirn	Ken Cramer
Bill Mallory	Jim Marenkovic
Dean O’Nale	Jeff Parks
Robert Polk	Dayton Saltsman
Terry Tokarz	Robert Weiss

Also in Attendance:

Sally Bishop
Fuzzy Mayo
Jackie Weinreich

1330-Meeting called to order- Chief Polk

Presentation of award to “Fuzzy” Mayo for his service to the fire departments.

Sally Bishop:

- Meeting with PCSO monthly
- Damage assessment in ESRI; suggests MOU with property appraiser’s office.
- Florida Fish and Wildlife – Have significant resources available if needed in an emergency.
- Still looking for shelter space; has \$7 million in CIP for development of shelter space
- Expect to be in new building late Feb / early March.

Approval of Minutes of August meeting:

Motion to approve: Chief Butcher. Second: Chief Angle. Approved unanimously.

PCFCA Treasurer's Report:

Fund Balances as of September 1st:

Business Checking:	\$10,026.80
General Fund	7,547.54
Extrication	113.32
Save Cans for Safe Kids	770.06
Training and Education	1,595.88
Time Account (CD):	<u>5,388.04</u>
Total:	\$15,414.84

Deposits:

- None

Expenses:

- None

Dues Received to Date: All departments dues received and current.

Motion to approve: Chief Saltsman. Second: Chief O’Nale. Approved unanimously.

Guests / Presentations: None.

Correspondence: None.

New Business:

Fire Annual Report: Polk recommended producing a countywide annual fire report. Need to determine what data is used.

Chief Bessler requested life membership status with PCFCA. Motion by Saltsman, 2nd Accetta. Passed.

Motion by Jamison to readdress the singular issue on life members and attendance of meetings. 2nd: Accetta. Passed. Chief O’Nale to chair subcommittee.

Standby at HS football games: Polk recommends an MOU between school and city / district regarding level of coverage provided. Much discussion followed.

Countywide Chaplain program: No follow up to date.

Unfinished Business:

FNC Report (Fire Not on Channel) question as to how problematic it is. Some issue with the report. Accetta sent email to Rick Riley, will be addressed at next meeting.

Inadvertent on scene (Accetta): Sunstar 764 incidents in 2012. F.D.: Approx. 50 incidents. Wants technology committee to review this to find ways to minimize this.

Concealed weapon protocol: EMS responses – driven by presence of weapon or tone / nature of the call? Should a protocol exist on securing weapons found on scene?

Unified Command (Accetta): L.E.O. and F.D. exploring ways to have common protocols regarding active shooter incidents. Accetta to continue to work on this.

SPC Training Center has a personal defense program. Chief O’Nale talked to Jim Terry. SPC wants to do a 3 day self-defense class. Expressed desire to deliver training via CME.

EMS Data Committee – Chief Holler used to do this. Asst. Chief Bessler to fill the spot.

Committee Reports:

Ops Chiefs (Graves/Tokarz):

- Meetings are now every other month.
- Nothing new to add.

Fire Marshals (Butcher):

- Met Aug 15th.
- Discussed recert process
- PARCO is no longer active
- Spring / Summer 2014 Nat Assoc of State Fire Marshals in County (St Pete Beach)
- Meet every other month.

PALS (Marenkovic):

- Philips monitors should all be set up for QCPR to go live 9/11.
- County wants to obtain Pelican 1120 narc boxes 6x8x4 size.
- ePCR usage should begin in early September. County is pushing hard for implementation. Apparently the data cannot be shared between P plus and FD ePCRs? The server in place may not be able to handle the volume of access. A new server is supposed to be in place early 2014. ePCR hardware liability, i.e., cannot insure if not owned.
- For ACLS card invoices contact Susan Ludzia at 341 3764.

Training Officers (O’Nale):

- Chief O’Nale agreed to be the new liaison to training and will attend the next meeting

EMS Advisory Council / EMSAC(Angle):

- Next mtg Oct 24.
- Spoke about Phase III of priority dispatch, and agreed to request suspension of current county approach to implementation.
- Mark Postma spoke to History of high school football game standby.
- Keirn to ask if Optima will model system without contractor funded units

MDRC: (Saltsman) Wait and see status based on reconfiguration of committees.

Good of the Organization:

Chief Graham: QCPR ‘puck’ – Cannot be used when moving the patient or driving? On insert with device....need clarification

Chief Angle: Wednesday 9/11 memorial 1000 Palm Harbor, followed by gathering at Tilted Kilt on Drew Street.

Chief Angle: World Rescue Challenge progressing nicely. End of October / Early November.

Chief Parks: St Pete not included this year in EMS contracts? St Pete got a 1 year extension per Chief Polk.

Meeting Adjourned at 1615 hours

Next meeting: October 3, 2013 EPI Center, Largo