



Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association

"Preservation of Life and Property through Organization"

Minutes of the 16th of December 2024, Monthly Meeting



The general membership Chiefs' meeting was hosted by Sheriff Ennis Wright at the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office Detention Center. The association thanks Sherriff Wright and his staff for their great hospitality, wonderful dinner and offering of the accommodations for tonight's meeting.

- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Johnson at 7:00 pm.
- Opening Prayer:** Sheriff Chaplain provided the opening prayer.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call:** Roll call was conducted with 17 Departments and 7 Associate members present.

Members Absent:

- Fire/EMS Departments: Hope Mills and Spring Lake Fire Department
- Associate Members: None

Approval of Minutes: The October and November 2024 minutes were approved.

Guests: Senator Tom McInnis
 Deputy Chief Broadus on behalf of Sheriff Wright and Staff welcomed all.
 District Attorney Billy West
 Dr. Larry Keen FTCC Retired
Dr. Mark Sorrells- FTCC Spoke on cyber security and a new program on the horizon.
Chairman Kirk deViere spoke and wished everyone a very Merry Christmas.
Henry Tyson- County Commissioner shared a word of thanks following his election to the position of County Commissioner and new role as Fire Commissioner.
Retired Fire Chiefs

Vendors Present: None

Treasurer's Report: A monthly fund balance report is provided in your packet.

Meeting Points of Interests:

- **Next Chiefs' Meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2025, hosted by Chief Scott MacKenzie of Eastover VFD.**
- *Fort Liberty Air-1 has Air rotation responsibilities for the month of January followed by Stoney Point Air-19 in February.*

Items of Interest Handouts

1. Jan – Nov 2024 Incident Response Stats
2. Truist daily account Balance Sheet 12/16/2024
3. FTCC & Regional Training Opportunities
4. CCSO FIU Arrest Information
5. SCIF-Yellow Book Audit

OLD BUSINESS:

1. NCAFC-MWC-2025 North Carolina Association of Fire Chiefs – Mid-Winter-Conference (MWC) Wednesday January 28 through Saturday February 1st, 2025. All registration and room reservations have been completed.

Low Tier Wade Community FD – Chief D. Hill (Declined due to conflict) Chief Hank Harris from Cotton FD will take his place.

Mid-Tier Cumberland Road FD – Chief S. Parrish

High Tier Pearce's Mill FD – Chief T. Smith

NEW BUSINESS:

1. President Johnson presented Firefighter Chris Eaton from Fort Liberty Fire and Emergency Services with the 2024 Arnold J. Koonce Legacy Award for Firefighter of the Year.



2024 AJK FF. of the Year FF. Chris Eaton – Fort Liberty Fire and Emergency Services



2. President Johnson presented Fire Chief Ronnie Marley of Pearce's Mill Fire Department and the Vice President of the CCFCA with the 2024 Arnold J. Koonce Legacy Award for Fire Officer of the Year. All are still invited to attend his retirement ceremony on the 11th of January 2025 beginning at 1600 hours at the Pearce's Mill Fire Department.



Fire Chief Ronnie Marley, VP CCFCA & Pearce's Mill FD
2024 AJK Fire Officer of the Year



3. All Previous winners in attendance of the AJK award were recognized.

4. President Johnson took time to recognize former Fire Commissioner Jimmy Keefe for his 10 years of service as our Fire Commissioner. He was presented a Plaque for his service along with a proclamation and Fire Chief's Helmet inducting Jimmy Keefe as a CCFCA Honorary Fire Chief, joining both Honorary Fire Chiefs Dr. Larry J. Keen and former NC State Senator Kirk deViere.



Fire Commissioner Jimmy Keefe

Inducted as a Lifetime Honorary Association Fire Chief



**President Johnson and Honorary Fire Chiefs
Dr. Larry J. Keen – Fire Commissioner Jimmy Keefe &
former NC State Senator Kirk deViere**



2024 Executive Committee

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

OFFICIAL ASSOCIATION / FIRE STATION ID CARDS (Coordinated through Station 13 at 910-424-0694 Ms. Johnson or Ms. Garris)

- Nothing was shared with the group.

STANDARDS & POLICY COMMITTEE Fire Chief Scott Bass (Westarea FD) Chairperson,
E-Mail: wfd2501@nc.rr.com

- Nothing was shared with the group.

COMMUNICATIONS /DISPATCH STEERING / AVL COMMITTEE Chief Steve Parrish, Cumberland Road FD, Chairperson, E-Mail: crfd501@nc.rr.com

- Nothing for the group.

TRAINING COMMITTEE Assistant Chief Kevin Murphy (Stoney Point) Chairperson
E-Mail kmurphy1903@gmail.com

- Nothing for the group.

RESCUE COMMITTEE Deputy Chief Hank Harris (Cotton FD) Chairperson,
E-Mail: hankharris@cottonfirerescue.org

- Nothing for the group

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE Deputy Fire Chief David Richtmeyer, Chairperson,
E-Mail: davidrichtmeyer@fayettevillenc.gov

- Nothing for the group

FINANCE COMMITTEE Deputy Chief, Freddy Johnson Jr. (Stoney Point) Chairperson,
E-Mail: spfd1302@nc.rr.com

- Nothing for the group.

FIRE LIFE SAFETY EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Fire Marshall Kevin Lowther Chairperson,
Email -klowther@cumberlandcountync.gov

- Nothing for the group.

SCIF PROJECT COMMITTEE - Fire Chief Keith Matthews (GFFD # 17) Chairperson.
E-Mail: gffd1701@nc.rr.com

- Nothing for the group

LEPC UPDATE Fire Chief Logan Herndon (Grays Creek # 18/24 & Fayetteville FD) Representative

- Nothing new for the group

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS REPORT

CUMBERLAND COUNTY MANAGERS' OFFICE (Clarence Grier, County Manager)

- Nothing for the group

EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR/ ECC-911 (Gene Booth, Director),

E-Mail: wbooth@cumberlandcountync.gov

Emergency Services

- Nothing for the group

EMS DIRECTOR: David Grovdahl, EMS Chief E-Mail: dgrovdahl@capefearvalley.com

- Nothing for the group.

HAZMAT: DC Richtmeyer, E-Mail: drichtmeyer@fayettevillenc.gov (910) 624-5042

- Nothing to report for the group

NC FORESTRY: Craig Gottfried, County Ranger, E-Mail: craig.gottfried@ncagr.gov (910) 483-1535

- Nothing to report for the group.

FTCC: Vincent Lewis, E-Mail: lewisv@faytechcc.edu – (910) 486-7472

- Nothing for the group

SHERIFF'S OFFICE Sheriff Wright ewright@ccsonc.org (Sr. Sgt. Tara Whitman) Email - twhitman@ccsonc.org (910) 323-1500 ext. Arson

- Nothing for the group

FAYETTEVILLE POLICE – Police Kimberlee Braden, Email – kemberlebraden@fayettevillenc.gov

- Nothing for the group

NC HIGHWAY PATROL – Colonel Freddy Johnson Jr. Commander NCSHP.

E-Mail: Freddy.johnson@ncshp.org or First Sergeant Jamie Hinson B-1 Fayetteville

Mail: james.hinson@ncshp.org, or S. Johnson SHP Raleigh Training Center, E-Mail sean.johnson@ncshp.org

- Nothing for the group

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 2008 hours.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Freddy L. Johnson Sr.

Freddy L. Johnson Sr., CFO
Fire Chief / President

Joshua Hopkins

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Assistant Fire Chief / Secretary

Enclosures – 6

1. 2024 Attendance Roster
2. Jan – Nov 2024 Incident Response Stats
3. Truist daily account Balance Sheet 12/16/2024
4. CCSO FIU Arrest Information
5. SCIF-Yellow Book Audit
6. Jimmy Keefe Proclamation

For the Good of the Organization

- President Johnson took the opportunity to thank each of our association members for what all of them do, along with their staff and departments day in and day out serving our various communities – We do make a difference in the lives of our citizens, and the motoring public that we serve and interact with them when they need our help.
- On Behalf of the Executive Committee wishing each of you your families and department membership a very Merry, safe family Christmas and a safe and joyous New Years and I look forward to seeing all of you next year in Eastover – Enjoyed working with each of you.



Merry Christmas

Enclosure # 1 – 2024 Attendance Roster

MEMBERS' PRESENT (19)		19	18	19	17	17	18	17	19	16	19	15	17
ASSOCIATES PRESENT (07)		4	6	4	6	6	5	6	6	5	7	6	7
Total Number in attendance		49	38	37	41	46	58	53	47	55	56	40	80
CC Fire Chiefs DEPARTMENTS & ORGANIZATION Chief's Only Meeting		22-JAN-24- HMFD # 21	26-FEB-24- FTCC	25-MAR-24- SLFD # 22	22- APR-24- SVFD # 23	20 MAY-24-CCEOC	24-JUN-24- GCFD # 24	22-JUL-24- BDFD # 26	26-AUG-24-FTCC	23-SEP-24 - FLFD - # TBD	28-OCT-24- GCFD # 24	25-NOV-24- CCEOC	16-DEC-24 - SHERIFF
MEMBERS		MEETING DATES											
01	BEAVER DAM STA 26 & 27												
02	BETHANY STA 12												
03	COTTON STA 4												
04	CUMBERLAND ROAD STA 5												
05	EASTOVER STA 1												
06	EMS EMERGENCY MED SVC												
07	FAYETTEVILLE FIRE DEPT												
08	FORT LIBERTY FIRE DEPT												
09	GODWIN – FALCON STA 17												
10	GRAYS CREEK STA 18												
11	GRAYS CREEK STA 24												
12	HOPE MILLS STA 21												
13	PEARCE'S MILL STA 3												
14	SPRING LAKE STA 11 & 22												
15	STEDMAN STA 23												
16	STONEY POINT STA 13 & 19												
17	VANDER STA 2 & 8												
18	WADE STA 16												
19	WESTAREA STA 15-20 & 25												
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS													
01	CC EMERGENCY SERVICES												
02	FIRE COMMISSIONER												
03	FORESTRY												
04	FTCC												
05	HAZMAT												
06	HIGHWAY PATROL												
07	SHERIFFS OFFICE												

Special Notes:

CODES: - Present-Absent Excused

CCFCA Meeting - December 16, 2024

Fayetteville, NC

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Inter-Agency Incident Count for November & Year to date 2024
 POC: Freddy Johnson Sr., President

FDID - Department Name	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Beaver Dam Volunteer Fire Department (2)	23	12	22	19	21	24	19	27	26	20	18	0	231
Bethany Volunteer Fire Department	56	35	36	30	33	32	32	45	24	37	36	0	396
Cotton Volunteer Fire Department	172	164	192	144	184	179	164	197	186	169	180	0	1931
Cumberland Road Volunteer Fire Department	153	152	154	136	138	166	143	155	151	144	158	0	1650
Eastover Volunteer Fire Department	82	58	71	78	73	63	75	81	68	87	81	0	817
Godwin-Falcon Volunteer Fire Department	38	28	43	38	38	50	31	41	33	37	27	0	404
Grays Creek #18, Volunteer Fire Department	49	35	36	31	38	38	29	30	31	26	36	0	379
Grays Creek #24, Volunteer Fire Department	94	74	81	56	62	92	50	80	75	55	67	0	786
Hope Mills Fire Department	176	163	165	137	153	192	154	163	164	150	161	0	1778
Pearce's Mill Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	151	130	137	114	132	128	134	119	121	140	208	0	1514
Spring Lake Fire Department	132	119	125	152	144	101	119	131	127	108	105	0	1363
Stedman Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	62	41	37	43	31	35	42	52	44	44	47	0	478
Stoney Point Fire Department, Inc. (2)	169	156	176	167	175	188	151	180	144	177	172	0	1855
Vander Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. (2)	118	125	123	127	116	111	124	121	124	110	91	0	1290
Wade Community Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	49	42	52	55	46	44	38	33	40	46	35	0	480
Westarea Volunteer Fire Department (3) + Manchester	95	79	78	86	84	83	90	75	97	99	115	0	981
Total	1619	1413	1528	1413	1468	1526	1395	1530	1455	1449	1537	0	16333
Fayetteville (17)	2459	2153	2356	2382	2478	1983	2024	2519	2412	2504	2313	0	25583
Combined Totals	4078	3566	3884	3795	3946	3509	3419	4049	3867	3953	3850	0	41916

13 of the 115 Calls during the month of November 2024 within the Westarea Fire District were within the Manchester Fire District.



Freddy Johnson <spfd1301@gmail.com>

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1 message

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To: spfd1301@gmail.com

Mon, Dec 16, 2024 at 5:09 AM

Name: Cumberland County Fire Chiefs Assn

Account: 6099

Your daily account balance is ready

Hello,
Your daily account balance is ready.

Posted balance	\$462,869.35*
Available balance	\$462,869.35
Account	Ending in 6099
Date	12/16/2024

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*Posted balance may not include pending transactions or holds.

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2024 Year-to-Date CCSO Fire Investigations

#	Date	Day	Time	Location	Fire District	Nature	Cause	Investigator	OCA	Disposition
1	3-Jan-24	Wednesday	8:31 AM	4801 Murphy Rd	Eastover	Fatal Fire	Accidental	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-00031	Unfounded
2	13-Jan-24	Saturday	2:26 AM	3069 Smith Rd	Cumberland Road	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-00277	Leads Exhausted
3	19-Jan-24	Friday	7:25 PM	2765 Lake Upchurch Dr	Stoney Point	Structure Fire	Undetermined	SSgt. Whitman	2024-00454	Leads Exhausted
4	21-Jan-24	Sunday	12:41 PM	231 Kipper Ct	Westaree	Structure Fire	Incendiary	Det. Ward	2024-00481	Juvenile Offender
5	10-Feb-24	Saturday	1:18 PM	578 Participle Ct	Cotton	Outside Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-01046	Unfounded
6	19-Feb-24	Monday	4:52 AM	2511 John Smith Rd	Cumberland Road	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-01251	Leads Exhausted
7	19-Feb-24	Monday	11:00 AM	1928 Evans Dairy Rd	Vander	Structure Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-01259	Cleared By Arrest
8	20-Feb-24	Tuesday	12:02 AM	2525 Dasher Ln	Cumberland Road	Fatal Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	2024-01272	Unfounded
9	14-Feb-24	Wednesday	4:34 PM	8476 Ramsey St	Westaree	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Det. Simmons	2024-01154	Leads Exhausted
10	26-Feb-24	Monday	10:14 AM	2271 Garbine St	Cumberland Road	Outside Fire	Accidental	Det. Simmons	2024-01356	Unfounded
11	26-Feb-24	Monday	2:05 PM	2260 Unicorn Dr	Grays Creek	Fatal Fire	Undetermined	SSgt. Whitman	2024-01428	Unfounded
12	11-Mar-24	Monday	12:50 AM	2455 Downing Rd	Vander	Structure Fire	Accidental	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-01770	Unfounded
13	14-Mar-24	Thursday	1:09 AM	8212 Godwin Falcon Rd	Godwin-Falcon	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-01859	Leads Exhausted
14	19-Mar-24	Tuesday	6:30 PM	5890 Jesse Dr	Fayetteville FD	Structure Fire	Accidental	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-02028	Unfounded
15	20-Mar-24	Wednesday	9:00 AM	433 McCormick Rd	Spring Lake	Other	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-02039	Victim Refused to Cooperate
16	21-Mar-24	Thursday	4:33 PM	2735 John Smith Rd	Cumberland Road	Outside Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	N/A	Unfounded
17	27-Mar-24	Wednesday	8:04 AM	7300 Block Sisk Culbreth Rd	Godwin-Falcon	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-02208	Leads Exhausted
18	28-Mar-24	Thursday	12:21 AM	1567 Tony Dr	Pearces Mill	Outside Fire	N/A	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-02247	Victim Refused to Cooperate
19	28-Mar-24	Thursday	7:10 PM	727 Orchard St	Cotton	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-02286	Unfounded
20	28-Mar-24	Thursday	8:35 PM	2700 Cumberland Rd	Fayetteville FD	Outside Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-02288	Prosecution Declined
21	29-Mar-24	Friday*	6:43 PM	1696 Wade Steedman Rd	Bethany	Structure Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	2024-02308	Unfounded
22	30-Mar-24	Saturday	3:45 AM	4100 Elk Rd	Cotton	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-02318	Leads Exhausted
23	10-Apr-24	Wednesday	6:15 AM	1200 Block Capstan Dr	Pearces Mill	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-02562	Leads Exhausted
24	10-Apr-24	Wednesday	6:12 PM	6662 Turnbull Rd	Beaver Dam	Structure Fire	N/A	Cpl. Tyndall	N/A	Cancelled
25	12-Apr-24	Friday	4:10 AM	3200 Block Baywood Rd	Eastover	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-02625	Cleared By Arrest
26	14-Apr-24	Sunday	1:13 AM	1419 Chedington Rd	Grays Creek	Structure Fire	Undetermined	SSgt. Whitman	2024-02674	Leads Exhausted
27	17-Apr-24	Wednesday	4:31 AM	223 Kipper Ct	Westaree	Structure Fire	Accidental	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-02750	Unfounded
28	18-Apr-24	Thursday	10:27 PM	296 Dusty Ln	Westaree	Structure Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	N/A	Unfounded
29	28-Apr-24	Sunday	10:29 PM	5608 Loop Rd	Westaree	Structure Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-03053	Active Investigation
30	28-Apr-24	Sunday	4:05 AM	1900 Block Fields Rd	Fayetteville FD	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-03056	Unfounded
31	3-May-24	Friday	7:05 PM	6382 Murphy Rd	Bethany	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-03210	Unfounded
32	1-Jun-24	Saturday	2:45 PM	515 Blaney Ct	Cotton	Outside Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	N/A	Unfounded
33	2-Jun-24	Sunday	1:22 PM	1254 Palestine Rd	Westaree	Outside Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-03891	Leads Exhausted

2024 Year-to-Date CCSO Fire Investigations

#	Date	Day	Time	Location	Fire District	Nature	Cause	Investigator	OCA	Disposition
34	5-Jun-24	Wednesday	12:12 AM	4201 Dudley Rd	Vander	Structure Fire	Undetermined	SSgt. Whitman	2024-03955	Leads Exhausted
35	6-Jun-24	Thursday	2:30 PM	5104 Ariel Ct	Cumberland Road	Structure Fire	Accidental	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-04000	Unfounded
36	10-Jun-24	Monday	11:51 AM	5704 Holland St	Fayetteville FD	Structure Fire	N/A	Det. Simmons	2024-04088	Victim Refused to Cooperate
37	16-Jun-24	Sunday	6:26 PM	4433 Graye Fryers Ln	Vander	Structure Fire	Accidental	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-04272	Unfounded
38	21-Jun-24	Friday	9:19 PM	4609 Trumilla Dr	Vander	Structure Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	2024-04388	Unfounded
39	25-Jun-24	Tuesday	4:08 PM	2221 Andalusian Dr	Hope Mills	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-01630	Unfounded
40	5-Jul-24	Friday	9:24 AM	7053 NC Hwy 87 South	Grays Creek	Other	Accidental	Det. Ward	2024-04632	Unfounded
41	17-Jul-24	Wednesday	3:04 AM	2939 U Tyson Rd	Grays Creek	Structure Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-04695	Cleared By Arrest
42	19-Jul-24	Friday	7:37 AM	543 Gapway Ct.	Pearces Mill	Structure Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	N/A	Unfounded
43	21-Jul-24	Sunday	2:11 PM	5109 Ariel Ct	Cumberland Road	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	Det. Ward	2024-04994	Leads Exhausted
44	4-Aug-24	Sunday	9:36 PM	2753 Matthew Johnson Rd	Eastover	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-05300	Cleared By Arrest
45	14-Aug-24	Wednesday	4:09 AM	2794 Wilmington Hwy	Pearces Mill	Vehicle Fire	Undetermined	Det. Simmons	2024-05462	Unfounded
46	17-Aug-24	Saturday	7:00 AM	5494-D Foxridge Dr	Hope Mills	Structure Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	2024-05548	Unfounded
47	20-Aug-24	Tuesday	8:06 PM	6024 Henriette Dr	Grays Creek	Structure Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-05623	Juvenile Offender
48	21-Aug-24	Wednesday	8:33 PM	6062 Henriette Dr	Grays Creek	Structure Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-05657	Juvenile Offender
49	24-Aug-24	Saturday	10:56 AM	6987 Rockfish Rd	Stoney Point	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-05712	Leads Exhausted
50	31-Aug-24	Saturday	10:49 PM	1685 Block McArthur Rd	Fayetteville FD	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	Det. Ward	2024-05849	Leads Exhausted
51	10-Sep-24	Tuesday	9:56 AM	410 Minnow Ct	Vander	Structure Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	2024-06101	Unfounded
52	11-Sep-24	Wednesday	8:58 AM	3555-Blk Gillespie St	Pearces Mill	Vehicle Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-06123	Leads Exhausted
53	14-Sep-24	Saturday	6:12 PM	313 Charles St	Pearces Mill	Structure Fire	Undetermined	SSgt. Whitman	2024-06222	Active Investigation
54	17-Sep-24	Tuesday	8:25 AM	400 Ladley St	Pearces Mill	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-06272	Unfounded
55	19-Sep-24	Thursday	11:38 PM	8795 Hawkins Rd	Westarea	Cancelled	N/A	SSgt. Whitman	N/A	Cancelled
56	20-Sep-24	Friday	1:41 AM	1623 Eureka Ave	Fayetteville FD	Cancelled	N/A	SSgt. Whitman	N/A	Cancelled
57	24-Sep-24	Tuesday	5:29 PM	2260 Carbine St	Cumberland Road	Outside Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-06437	Cleared By Arrest
58	27-Sep-24	Friday	9:44 AM	400 Ladley St	Pearces Mill	Structure Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-06521	Leads Exhausted
59	4-Oct-24	Friday	7:56 AM	1318 E Manchester Rd	Westarea	Structure Fire	Incendiary	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-06676	Active Investigation
60	5-Oct-24	Saturday	8:06 PM	732 Camwheel Dr	Cotton	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-06732	Victim Refused to Cooperate
61	8-Oct-24	Tuesday	8:53 AM	6566 Bend of River Road	Godwin-Falcon	Structure Fire	Incendiary	SSgt. Whitman	2024-06783	Cleared By Arrest
62	10-Oct-24	Thursday	6:50 AM	2411 Parkridge Dr	Cumberland Road	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-06826	Leads Exhausted
63	19-Oct-24	Saturday	3:21 PM	122 Oak St	Pearces Mill	Structure Fire	Accidental	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-07048	Unfounded
64	24-Oct-24	Thursday	9:08 AM	3010 Traemoor Village Dr	Hope Mills	Structure Fire	Accidental	Cpl. Tyndall	N/A	Assist
65	24-Oct-24	Thursday	4:38 PM	7794 Beaver Dam Rd	Stedman	Structure Fire	Undetermined	Cpl. Tyndall	2024-07161	Unfounded
66	4-Nov-24	Monday	4:09 AM	6202 US Highway 301 S	Cotton	Outside Fire	Accidental	SSgt. Whitman	2024-07418	Unfounded

CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION

Honoring James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe for his service as Cumberland County Fire Commissioner

Whereas, the Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association recognizes the extraordinary contributions that James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe has made to the Cumberland County Fire, Rescue and EMS services as Cumberland County Commissioner and as Fire Commissioner; and

Whereas, James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe was born and raised in Fayetteville, North Carolina, a community he continues to call home alongside his wife Melanie, with whom he has raised three children: Kaitlin, Emily, and Jonathan; and

Whereas, James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe commenced his distinguished public service career upon graduating from The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina, in 1983; and

Whereas, James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe dutifully served his country as a member of the United States Army, achieving the honorable rank of Captain, demonstrating exceptional leadership and dedication to the principles of duty, honor, and country; and

Whereas, James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe, a dedicated public servant, returned to his hometown following an active tour of military service and immediately devoted himself to uplifting his community through extensive volunteer work and steadfast leadership; and

Whereas, James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe's commitment to public service is exemplified through his appointments to numerous city, county, and statewide boards, and his tenure as a member of the Fayetteville City Council from 2001 to 2005, followed by his election to the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners in 2008, where he has been continuously re-elected, serving the community diligently; and

Whereas, during his tenure on the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Keefe served as Chairman in 2013 and was appointed Fire Commissioner in 2014, providing visionary leadership that included the development of a performance-based fire protection service contract, enhancing financial sustainability for volunteer fire departments, and championing projects such as the state of the art 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point and Emergency Operation Center; and

Whereas, Fire Commissioner Keefe collaborated with Fayetteville Technical Community College to establish one of the largest Fire, Rescue and Emergency Training Centers, which boasts the nation's largest indoor swift water training center, showcasing his commitment to advancing emergency services and training; and

Whereas, his endeavors ensured significant contributions from the CARES Act and the American Rescue Plan, enhancing the capabilities and resources of the Cumberland County Fire Service; and

Whereas, James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe's ongoing service on numerous local boards and his family's legacy of national, state, and community service, reflect his deep-rooted dedication to the better of society.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, **Freddy L. Johnson Sr.** President of the Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association in recognition of his 40 plus years of distinguished public service, hereby honors **Fire Commissioner James Kevin "Jimmy" Keefe** by bestowing upon him the esteemed title of

"Honorary Fire Chief"

In Witness Thereof this 16th day of December 2024


FREDDY L. JOHNSON Sr. CFO
Fire Chief / President





**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR STATE PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER COMPLIANCE; WITH OMB UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND THE STATE SINGLE AUDIT
IMPLEMENTATION ACT**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.
Cumberland County, North Carolina

Report on Compliance for Major State Program

Opinion on Each Major State Program

We have audited Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.'s compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* and the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina, issued by the Local Government Commission*, that could have a direct and material effect on its major State program for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.'s major State program is the State Capital and Infrastructure Fund (SCIF).

In our opinion, Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its State Capital and Infrastructure Fund (SCIF) for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on State Capital and Infrastructure Fund (SCIF)

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of State Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for State Award* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for State Capital and Infrastructure Fund (SCIF). Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.'s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to State Capital and Infrastructure Fund (SCIF).

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.'s compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards,

Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.'s compliance with the requirements of the State program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.'s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.'s internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.'s internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a State program on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a State program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a State program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Hollingsworth Arent Auerre & Purvis, PA

Raleigh, NC

November 26, 2024



November 26, 2024

To the Board of Directors
Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.

We have audited the schedule of expenditures of State awards for the State Construction and Infrastructure Fund Grant of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated November 26, 2024. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards (and, if applicable, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance), as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated November 18, 2024. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. are described in Note 2 to the schedule of expenditures of State awards. The application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended June 30, 2024. We noted no transactions entered into by the Organization during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the schedule of expenditures of State awards in the proper period.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated November 26, 2024.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Organization's schedule of expenditures of State awards or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on the schedule of expenditures of State awards, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Organization's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors and management of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Hollingsworth Avent Avere & Purvis, PA

Raleigh, North Carolina

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

June 30, 2024



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.
Cumberland County, North Carolina

Report on the Audit of the Schedule of Expenditures of State Awards

Opinion

We have audited the schedule of expenditures of State awards for the State Capital and Infrastructure Fund (SCIF) of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes (the schedule).

In our opinion, the accompanying schedule of expenditures of State awards presents fairly, in all material respects, the expenditures of State awards for the State Capital and Infrastructure Fund (SCIF) of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2024, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of State Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for State Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule section of our report. We are required to be independent of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Schedule

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the schedule in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the schedule as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the schedule.

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In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the schedule, whether due to fraud, or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the schedule.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the schedule.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Hollingsworth Arent Auerne & Purvis, PA

Raleigh, NC

November 26, 2024

CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

<u>Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title</u>	<u>State Assistance Listing Number</u>	<u>Pass-through Entity Identifying Number</u>	<u>Total State Expenditures</u>
<u>North Carolina Office of State Budget And Management</u>			
Direct Awards:			
State Capital and Infrastructure Fund (SCIF)	N/A	N/A	\$ 286,714

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The schedule of expenditures of State awards (the Schedule) includes the State award activity of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. under programs of the North Carolina state government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of State Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for State Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc., it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets or cash flows of Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE 3 – INDIRECT COST RATE

Cumberland County Fire Chiefs' Association, Inc. has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

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FAYETTEVILLE, NC 28306

Invoice: 488285

Date: 11/26/24

ID: 12595

For professional services rendered as follows:

In connection with performing the Program Specific Audit for year ended June 30, 2024.

Total Charges: \$5,000.00

Invoice Total: \$5,000.00

DUE UPON RECEIPT. Invoices not paid within 30 days will be subject to 18% service charges.

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