

# **CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION**

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## ***MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING***

October 23, 1995

The October meeting was hosted by the Cumberland Road Fire Department, Station 5. President James E. Hall called the meeting to order at 20:10 hours; President Hall thanked his Board of Directors and members for the fine meal and their hospitality.

Roll was called: 20 departments were represented and 8 associate members present.

Secretary's Report was approved as read. Treasurers Report was unavailable, the interim Treasurer had contacted the president prior to the meeting and advised that there were no transactions for this month.

### **GUESTS:**

Retired Fire Marshal Arnold Koonce - Mr. Koonce thanked the association for their support during his recent illness and briefly reminisced old times with the association.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Sheriff Butler reminded chiefs who have a problem or complaint to submit them to him in writing.

Chaplin Norman E. Mitchell announced that the annual chaplains conference would be held in the Raddison Motel in Fayetteville on November 6,7, and 8, 1995. he encouraged all fire department chaplains to attend. The registration fee is \$75.00 per person.

Chief Alan Nobles announced that he would be visiting individual stations to explain the Fellowship of Christian Firefighters. He encouraged participation in the organization.

President Hall ask for volunteers to organize a committee for the purpose of setting a county standard for firefighter funeral services. He advised that the City of Fayetteville has such a policy in effect and would be willing to assist this committee.

Chief Bullard discussed the First Responder Committee's progress and encouraged comments or suggestions. A handout was distributed and brief discussion entertained. Departments currently providing this service should insure that their charter has been updated. Comments may be forwarded to the committee in writing.

President Hall announced that Fred Curley was no longer with Professional Insurance Group.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The November and December meeting dates and locations were discussed: The November meeting will be hosted by Raeford Road Fire Department on the 27th at Douglas Bird Sr. Hi School in the cafeteria at 7:00 p.m. The December meeting will be hosted by the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department on the 18th, location will be announced at a later date.

President Hall requested that members begin thinking about nominations for the executive board. Recommendations should be turned into the Fire Marshal no later than November 27, 1995.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**TRAINING & EDUCATION** - Chief Middleton announced that the next Training Officers Meeting would be held at Cotton Fire Department on November 20, 1995 and encouraged participation from all departments.

**STANDARDS & MUTUAL AID** - No Report

**COMMUNICATIONS** - Assistant Chief Kenneth Hall stated that the FCC is in the process of changing frequency bands; departments purchasing radios should insure that radios will be compatible with the upcoming changes.

**FINANCE & BUDGET** - No Report

**PUBLIC RELATIONS** - No Report

**FIRE MARSHAL** - No Report

**F.T.C.C.** - Mr. Bill Vile announced the upcoming Fire Academy Graduation on Monday, October 30, 1995 at 10:00 a.m. and encouraged the attendance of all Chiefs. Mr. Vile also stated that problems with certifications should be directed to his office to lessen the burden at the fire commission. He informed chiefs that members in the certification program who move should submit a change of address to the school, he then announced upcoming classes.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT** - Cheri Grabowski announced the LEPC meeting on October 26, 1995.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS: (cont.)**

FORESTRY - No Report

SHERIFF'S OFFICE - Chief Naylor reminded departments of the importance of paper work being filed out properly, including field notes and final reports. He stated that the courts are attacking fire chiefs and attempting to discredit them and their departments. Chief Naylor announced that the Arson Task Force is fully staffed, applications will be accepted and will be screened as vacancies become available.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - No Report

C.E.R.T. - No Report

HAZ-MAT - No Report

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES - Mr. Elliott Rich commended Chief Bullard and his committee for their time and efforts in establishing First Responder Standards.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:**

President Hall announced that his department would be having an open house in conjunction with their 40th anniversary on December 2, 1995.

Chief Middleton announced that his department would be hosting their annual Haunted House beginning Friday, October 27, 1995.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 21:30 hours.

Respectfully,

Larry A. Wilson  
SECRETARY