



Cumberland County Fire Chief's Association

"Preservation of Life and Property through Organization"

Minutes of the May 20, 2019 Monthly Meeting



The Chiefs meeting was hosted by the Bethany Fire Department. The meal was sponsored by Newton's Fire and Safety. We thank Chief Autry and his staff for their hospitality.

- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Johnson at 7 pm.
- Opening Prayer:** The Bethany FD Chaplain provided the opening prayer.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Johnson led the members with 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 - **Excused**, Westarea - **Excused**

Associate Members: County Managers Office - **Excused**, County Commissioners – **Excused**, Fire Commissioner – **Excused**, **Fort Bragg EMS, HazMat**

Approval of Minutes: The April minutes were approved as presented.

Guests: None.

Special Guests: None.

Vendors Present: Seth Newton, Newton's Fire and Safety presented various brands of PPE clothing to the group.
Johnny Hancock, Simple Clinic, gave overview of his company's ability to handle some of your Occupational Health needs

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Meeting Points of Interests:

***Next Chief's Meeting** will be Monday, June 24, 2019 at Stoney Point FD Station 19. Dinner will be served.*

- Fayetteville FD has the air truck responsibilities during the month of June followed by Grays Creek #24 in July 2019.

Items of Interest Handouts

- ✓ CCLEPC Meeting minutes from February
- ✓ Email from County 911 center wishing to take some new dispatchers by fire stations in the County
- ✓ Safe Kids newsletter on Hot Car Safety.
- ✓ Gas Detector Information
- ✓ Piedmont Gas invitation to training session
- ✓ Legislative Day flyer
- ✓ Job openings from Cotton and Cumberland Rd. FD's

OLD BUSINESS

1. President Johnson stated that the new Command Bus will be on display at the June meeting at Station 19. He will be working with the Communications Director to establish the dispatch card for same. There will be a three redundant cradle point installed to insure continued signal and communications during the mobile command bus operations. The primary signal provider will be First NET, with secondary coverage provided through a VERIZON Sim card and if both First NET and Verizon fail we will have satellite communications available.
2. President Johnson reminded everyone about the Valor Awards Program scheduled for June 25, 2019 starting at 0730 hours at Manna Church on Cliffdale Road. Eighteen (18) association agencies have signed up to attend the Valor Breakfast.
3. President Johnson briefly updated the members on the progress with the Caisson Unit restoration, and stated that we are in the final stages of fabrications, the unit will be completely self-sufficient with on-board ramps once completed. The unit will be on display during the June meeting at Station 19.
4. President Johnson advised the members that the clean contract as requested during the meeting with our attorney will go out in the morning. He reminded the Chiefs that all feedback from your board meetings needed to be turned in no later than 0800 hours June 3rd in order for to consolidate any issues and concerns and submit them to Attorney Yarborough by noon. He stated to call with any questions or concerns.
5. President Johnson briefed that the Manna Church wishes to host our July meeting at their facility on Cliffdale Road. More to follow as it gets closer.
6. In June, President Johnson and the Chairman of our Volunteer Workforce Solution (Recruiting) Committee Chief Nobles are scheduled to meet with the CC Board of Commissioners to inform them concerning our current recruiting issues and thank them and involved staff members on behalf all our VFD's for their continued support and their action on the current funding proposals. Chief Nobles will show the 90 second recruiting video.
7. The annual Legislative Day was a disappointment as there were very few Legislators in their office on this day. Representatives from CCFCA were able to speak with Representative Szoka who was the only local representative working in Raleigh on the 15th.

8. The surplus SHP radios are to be delivered soon.
9. President Johnson thanked the Departments that participated in the Blessing of the Badges on May the 10th.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. President Johnson briefed the group that Piedmont Gas is hosting a training session with dinner being served on June 11, 2019 at their operations center located at 4740 Corporation Drive. The session will begin at 6:30 pm.
2. President Johnson attended the CCLEPC meeting in April. This meeting does provide information about issues that could directly affect our organizations. The CCLEPC meets quarterly and because the information is not being relayed to our organization by those already in attendance, he will try to attend on behalf of the CCFCA.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ID CARD/TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

- **FYI.** Fire Chiefs are required to send a signed letter or memo with a firefighter requesting an ID Card. For any questions or an appointment contact 424-0694 or e-mail at cjohnson.spfd@gmail.com
 - President Johnson asked the members to please recycle or return the clips used for our ID Cards. These clips are extremely expensive and we need to reuse them as much as possible in order to hold down costs. So when members leave a department do not give the ID Tags and clips to the departing member, instead take up the clips.

FIRE PREVENTION/EDUCATION COMMITTEE E-Mail: Chief T.J. McLamb jmclamb@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report.

STANDARDS & POLICY COMMITTEE A/C Kevin Murphy (SPFD # 13) Chairperson, E-Mail: kmurphy1903@gmail.com

- No report

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE Chief R. Marley (Pearce's Mill) Chairperson, E-Mail: pmfd0301@nc.rr.com

- No report.

AUTOMATIC AID/MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE Chief Joe Marsh (GCFD # 24) Chairperson, E-Mail: gcf24@nc.rr.com

- No report

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

- No report.

RESCUE COMMITTEE Deputy Chief Hank Harris (Cotton FD) Chairperson,
E-Mail: cfd402@nc.rr.com

- No report.

COMMUNICATIONS /DISPATCH STEERING / AVL COMMITTEE Chief Chuck Hodges (Hope Mills FD), Chairperson, E-Mail: clhodges@townofhopemills.com

- No report.

KNOX BOX COMMITTEE - Emergency Management Officer Gene Booth (Emergency Services) Chairperson, E-Mail: wbooth@co.cumberland.nc.us

- No report

FIREHOUSE STEERING COMMITTEE – Fire Chief T. J. McLamb (FFD) Chairperson,
E-Mail: tmclamb@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report

NC WORKFORCE SOLUTION GRANT – COMMITTEE – Fire Chief Justin Nobles (SVFD # 23) Chairperson. E-Mail: [Jnobles@stedmanfire.com](mailto:jnobles@stedmanfire.com)

- Chief Nobles and Amber Moser gave updates on the recruitment efforts to include new billboards and a public service announcement. The equipment used for a recruitment drive or display can be reserved by contacting Amber. Handouts and information was available for Chief to pick up.

JOINT INCIDENT / DISASTER RESPONSE COMMITTEE – Assistant Fire Chief Richard Bradshaw (VFD) Chairperson,
E-Mail: rbradshaw1@nc.rr.com

- No report.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS REPORT

COUNTY MANAGERS OFFICE – Assistant County Manager Tracy Jackson
E-Mail: tjackson@co.cumberland.nc.us

- No report.

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

E-Mail: gbooth@co.cumberland.nc.us

- Adam Johnson reported that WEBEOC boards are being built and training will be offered soon. Adam handed out the recommended Fire Priority dispatch updates for review. These changes will be voted on at the June meeting. Adam asked that all Chief provide him with a POC that has the ability to review and edit run card changes for your departments. Please review your run cards and update accordingly.

EMS DIRECTOR: Brian Pearce, Director E-Mail: bpearce@capefearvalley.com

- Chief Pearce informed the group that the reason EMS was cancelling some of the Fire apparatus that was leaving from the same station was due to the call determinant CAD notes, whereas it is their on-going effort to reduce our call volume whenever possible and when the call can be handled by the medic unit without assistance from VFD's.

HAZMAT: AC Robert Brinson, FFD - POC telephone for HAZMAT is 584-9550,

E-Mail: rbrinson@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report.

FORESTRY DISTRICT Craig Gottfried, County Ranger, E-Mail: craig.gottfried@ncagr.gov

- Ranger Gottfried introduced Blake Arnold as a new Assistant Ranger. He is in training and will be on calls in the future.

FTCC Steve Drew, E-Mail: drews@faytechcc.edu

- No report.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE Sheriff Wright (Sr. Sgt. Steven Hodges – ATF)

- Sgt. Hodges reported that Mark Hart is the new Lieutenant over the Arson Division.

FAYETTEVILLE POLICE – Police Chief Gina Hawkins, Email ghawkins@ci.fay.nc.us

(Captain Jay Devane) jdevane@ci.fay.nc.us

- No report

NC HIGHWAY PATROL – Major Freddy Johnson Jr. SHP Special Operations.

E-Mail: Freddy.johnson@ncdps.gov or Sergeant S. Johnson SHP Raleigh Training Center E-Mail sean.johnson@ncdps.gov

- No report.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Fire Commissioner Marshall Faircloth

- No report.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

- President Johnson briefly addressed safety, whereas in Appleton Wisconsin a Firefighter on a medical call was shot and killed and two police officers were wounded. This is a very tragic occurrence and unfortunately these sort of incidents are occurring more and more. It is important that we as leaders don't get complacent and allow our staff's get unworried because it is just a routine type call. It's the routine type of calls that suddenly are not routine anymore, so we have to be on our "A" game on every call. Please have a discussion with your members.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn by Assistant Chief Bradshaw and seconded by Captain Devane. The meeting was adjourned at 2020 hours.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Freddy L. Johnson Sr.

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

Mark A. Melvin

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Fire Chief / Secretary

Enclosures - 1

1. Roll call

MEMBERS PRESENT (19)	16	17	18	17	17							
ASSOCIATES PRESENT (12)	08	10	8	9	7							
PERSONNEL IN ATTENDANCE	60	75	69	67	59							

CC Fire Chiefs DEPARTMENTS & ORGANIZATION Chief's Only Meeting		28-JAN-19 - PMFD 25-FEB-19 - CVFD-4 25-MAR-19 - CRVFD-5 22-APR-19 - PMFD 20-MAY-19 - BVFD-12 24-JUN-19 - SPVFD-19 22-JUL-19 - PMFD 26-AUG-19 - WVFD-15 23-SEP-19 - VVCFD-16 28-OCT-19 - PMFD 25-NOV-19 - GFVFD-17 16-DEC-19 - SHERIFF											
		MEMBERS						MEETING DATES					
01	BEAVER DAM STA 26 & 27	P	P	P	P	P							
02	BETHANY STA 12	P	P	P	P	P							
03	COTTON STA 4	P	P	P	P	P							
04	CUMBERLAND ROAD STA 5	P	P	P	P	P							
05	EASTOVER STA 1	P	P	P	P	P							
06	EMS EMERGENCY MED SVC	X	X	P	X	P							
07	FAYETTEVILLE FIRE DEPT	P	P	P	P	P							
08	FORT BRAGG FIRE DEPT	X	P	P	P	P							
09	GODWIN - FALCON STA 17	P	P	P	P	P							
10	GRAYS CREEK STA 18	P	P	P	P	P							
11	GRAYS CREEK STA 24	X	P	P	P	P							
12	HOPE MILLS STA 21	P	P	P	P	E							
13	PEARCE'S MILL STA 3	P	P	P	P	P							
14	SPRING LAKE STA 22	P	P	P	P	P							
15	STEDMAN STA 23	P	P	X	P	P							
16	STONE POINT STA 13 & 19	P	P	P	P	P							
17	VANDER STA 2 & 8	P	P	P	P	P							
18	WADE STA 16	P	E	P	P	P							
19	WESTAREA STA 15-20 & 25	P	P	P	E	E							
01	CC EMERGENCY SERVICES	P	P	P	P	P							
02	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	P	P	X	P	E							
03	COUNTY MGR OFFICE	P	P	X	X	E							
04	FAYETTEVILLE PD	P	P	P	P	P							
05	FIRE COMMISSIONER	X	X	X	P	E							
06	FORESTRY	E	E	P	P	P							
07	FORT BRAGG EMS	X	P	X	P	X							
08	FTCC	P	P	P	P	P							
09	HAZMAT	P	P	P	X	X							
10	HIGHWAY PATROL	P	P	P	P	P							
11	RETIRED FIRE CHIEFS	P	P	P	P	P							
12	SHERIFFS OFFICE	X	P	P	X	P							