

## **Cumberland County Fire Chief's Association**

### **Minutes of September 27, 2010 Monthly Meeting**

The meeting was hosted by Fort Bragg and Pope AFB Fire Departments. We thank Chief Blackburn , Chief Kass and their staff for their hospitality.

**Opening Prayer:** Chief J.F. Hall provided the opening prayer.

**Roll Call:** Roll call was conducted with 22 departments and 10 associate members present.

**Members Absent:** Westarea #20

**Associate Members Absent:** FTCC, Christian Firefighters

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the August 23, 2010 meeting were approved as presented.

**Guests:**

The following candidates for numerous offices were present and requested our support:  
Ed Melvin – County Commissioner, Margaret Dixon- Senate, Judge Ammons – Superior Court

**Vendors Present:** None.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report.

In the absence of Association President Freddy Johnson, Vice President Ronnie Marley conducted the Meeting.

**Meeting Point of interests:**

**Next Chief's Meeting** will be held October 25, 2010 at EMS Base. The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm.

- Deputy Chief Johnson advised all departments to make sure that your non-profit status is correct.
- Vice President Marley handed out packets which contained; legal briefs, Memorial Service flyer, several letters, educational announcements, and event information
- The annual memorial service is scheduled for October 16, 2010 at 11:00 am. Please make arrangements to attend.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ID CARD COMMITTEE** Lt. Tara Whitman (Stoney Point) Chairperson

- **FYL**. 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 tara@stonepointfire.com

**FIRE PREVENTION/EDUCATION COMMITTEE** Chief J. F. Hall (Bethany) Chairperson

- FPW is coming fast. Chief J.F. Hall encourages all departments to plan events and get out into your communities.

**COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE** Chief B. Bullard (Stedman) Chairperson

- No report.

**STANDARDS & POLICY COMMITTEE** Chief K. Hall (Cumberland Road) Chairperson

- No report.

**MEMORIAL COMMITTEE** Chief R. Marley (Pearce's Mill) Chairperson

- Chief Clark and Chief Blackburn gave a brief update on the memorial service for October 16.

**AUTOMATIC AID/MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE** Chief Ake (Beaver Dam) Chairperson

- No report.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** Deputy Chief Freddy Johnson Jr. (Stoney Point) Chairperson

- No report.

**RESCUE COMMITTEE** Deputy Chief Freddy Johnson Jr. (Stoney Point) Chairperson

- No report

**BULK PURCHASE COMMITTEE** Chief (EMS) Chairperson

- No report.

## **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS REPORT**

### **EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR/ ECC-911** Kenny Currie, Director

- Fireman's Relief Fund paperwork needs to be turned in ASAP.

### **EMS DIRECTOR:** Brian Pierce, Director

- No report.

### **HAZMAT** BC Brian Mims, FFD - POC telephone for HAZMAT is 433-1729

- New equipment is being purchased for use at by the HM team.

### **FORESTRY DISTRICT** Andrew Snyder, County Ranger

- Mr. Snyder announced that Francis Singletary is retiring .

### **FTCC** Ernest Ward, Director

- No report.

### **SHERIFF'S OFFICE** Sheriff Butler

- Sgt. Hodges advised of several case dispositions and reminded everyone to let him know if there were arson related issues.

### **HIGHWAY PATROL**

- No report.

### **CHRISTIAN FIREFIGHTERS** Chaplain Casanova

- No report.

### **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** Fire Commissioner Ed Melvin

- No report.

### **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:**

- Secretary Melvin responded to a question from Chief JF Hall regarding the new Chief 101 program. Secretary Melvin advised the association that the program was being delivered to bring all of the State Fire Chiefs up to speed on all of the required documents related to the operation of the Fire Department as well as to answer questions relating to ratings, insurance issues and like items.

- Chief Blackburn gave a BRAC update to the association and its impact to the Pope AFB Fire Department. The two departments have merged as of October 1, 2010 and will be Fort Bragg Fire and Emergency Services. The department will operate 22 front line companies each day from 7 fire stations and its administrative headquarters.
- Chief Kevin Herndon inquired about hold times and other related times on the dispatch sheets. This issue is being looked into by communications personnel.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made to adjourn by Chief Hodges, seconded by Deputy Chief Freddy Johnson Jr. The meeting was adjourned at 2015 hours

Respectfully Submitted By:

*Ronnie Marley*

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Fire Chief / Vice-President

*Mark A. Melvin*

Mark Melvin, CFO  
Deputy Fire Chief / Secretary

**8** Enclosures

1. Memorial flyer
2. Memorial paver request
3. Honor Guard memo
4. Legal Briefs
5. Letter from Ms. Kurkowski
6. EMS responder brief
7. Email message on BBQ event
8. Roll call form