

Fire Commission Meeting
October 19, 2016

Meeting began at 1930 hours, gaveled by Vice Chairman King. A sign-in sheet was passed around.

Chaplain Report, Chaplain Huttenlock (Elaine) provided a short opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Elaine thanked all who supported and attended the Van Tassel family funeral events held for Wayne Van Tassel. The 2017 Founders Circle is scheduled for 12:00 noon, September 30, 2017. Elaine advised the following members are on the prayer list. Please keep Jay Tucker, Barry Johnson, Dee Anderson, John Hoglund, Warren Litchfield and Jim Neal in your prayers.

Office of the Fire Chief, Chief Deputy Barksdale (Ben) advised that he had no report tonight.

Office of the Fire Chief, Deputy Chief Green (Tiffany) advised that she had no report tonight.

Commissioner Stack (Kenny) stated that he had no report tonight.

Commissioner Dougherty (Brian) advised that the Companies are doing a good job on spending their Tool and Uniform monies. Brian reminded everyone that last year there was approximately a hundred thousand dollars of available funding left unspent. We don't want a repeat of last year, so, spend your funds.

Commissioner Taylor (Bill) requested an approval for Company 27 to spend \$12,000.00 for Insurance payments – **Motioned and Approved**

Commissioner Bodrick (Tyrome) requested an approval for the medical appeal for Lee M. Morse from Company 37 – **Motioned and Approved**

Commissioner Wilson (Rick) reminded everyone that when attempting to add a vehicle to the fleet, you need to download the appropriate forms and documents from the Commission website, complete and submit them to Chairman Tucker or Vice Chairman King.

Commissioner Kuenzli (Randy) requested an approval for Company 13 to purchase a vehicle body wrap for \$6500.00 – **Motioned and Approved**

Randy requested approval for the following Equivalencies:

Robert McHenry, #23960 - Company 27 – **Motioned and Approved**

James Thompson, #24263 – Company 27 – **Motioned and Approved**

Joseph Sellers, #17370 – Company 27 – **Motioned and Approved**

Randy announced that the Commission has put together a Workgroup to examine the Minimum Training Requirements for Volunteers and recommended enhancements as necessary to maintain parity with the County career personnel. Randy reminded everyone that

Equivalency approvals must be obtained from the Commission prior to a member registering to attend Volunteer Recruit School and that we are still having several Members showing up without registering. Your members must be pre-registered prior to attending class.

Commissioner Breen (Bobby) requested approval for the October 5, 2016 meeting minutes – **Motioned and Approved**

Vice Chairman, Commissioner King (Buddy) announced that the Commission would hold a Work Session on October 25, 2016 in the Commission Office to discuss the LOSAP Training Report and review the findings of the Training Standards Workgroup findings.

PGCVFRA President Cunningham (Bill) reminded everyone that a notice came out to recipients of LOSAP pensions that the practice of send an advice notice would cease and members would have to register on-line to track their payment histories. Bill also stated that he would like to see the Outstanding Accident and Injury list that was recently sent out cleaned up.

Branchville VFD, Mr. Underwood (Frank) Asked President Cunningham for a contact number where he can be reached. Frank questioned whether the 1099 forms for LOSAP recipients will still be mailed out from Pensions and Benefits? Frank also advised that he will be out of town from November 10th to December and members needing vehicle tags need to contact him prior to him leaving town.

PGCVFRA, 1st V.P. Trader (Mark) advised that he had no report tonight. On another matter, Mark asked about the status of the fence for Company 33. Commissioner Breen stated that it's in the CIP work plan and would try to get a status report.

PGCVFRA, 2nd V.P. Cavanaugh (Brian) advised that he had no report tonight.

LAPGCVFRA, Chaplain Huttenlock (Elaine) advised that the Auxiliary is currently accepting applications for the 2017 scholarship grant awards and that the next Auxiliary meeting will be held at Company 10 on Thursday, November 3, 2016. Elaine advised that if any of our schools have Fire Prevention posters needed to be picked up, to please contact her.

Administrative Support, Mr. Bigony (J.R.) advised that he is working on the next update to the SERF form, incorporating new items, deleting dropped items from Stores and the document will be forthcoming.

LOGISTICS, Captain Mandragos (Steve) advised that currently they have about 15/18 sets of PPE that have been sent out for cleaning and repair that need to be picked up by the members. Steve stated that he is in the process of scheduling Companies for PPE measuring sessions and that LOGISTICS is trying to make this process as convenient as possible for the Volunteer Corporations.

Glen Dale VFD, Mr. Woods (Harve) announced that Company 18 is moving to purchase a new Rescue Engine.

Laurel VFD, Mr. Lau (Bryan) reminded everyone to vote NO for Question D on the upcoming election ballot.

Benediction, Chaplain Frost (Dwayne) lead us in a closing prayer to send us home safely and a motion was entertained to adjourn the meeting – **Motioned and Approved**

Minutes were recorded and typed by Commissioner/Secretary Breen

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Breen", is written over the end of the text "Minutes were recorded and typed by Commissioner/Secretary Breen".