

Fire Commission Meeting
October 5, 2016

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

Chaplain Report, Chaplain Hetz (Harry) provided a short opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and requested that we keep the following members and relatives in our prayers: Jay Tucker, Chairman of the Fire Commission, Dee Anderson, Barry Johnson, Charlie Phillips, William Mayhew, Glen Johnson, S. Keefer Sosebee, James Cunningham, the family of Charles Kelly Butler, the family of Lloyd L. Kremer, the family of Sharon M. Windsor, the family of Edward Riddle and the family of Douglas Flynt. Harry reported that at the County Convention, Chief Chaplain Warren Litchfield was elevated to Chief Chaplain Emeritus and Chaplain Jim Neale was elevated to Chaplain Emeritus. Harry advised that should anyone be in need of a Chaplain they can contact him at (410) 873-2141 or (301) 580-5528.

Office of the Fire Chief, Deputy Chief McClelland (Jim) reported that he is still waiting for 3 Companies to provide their VSU documentation in order to begin processing for payments and that his office is still waiting on a number of Companies to submit their corrected operational membership information for the Target Solutions Data-base system.

Office of the Fire Chief, Deputy Chief Cardello (Joe) advised that AMD personnel are currently unpacking and testing the new SCBA equipment and this will be a lengthy process. Joe advised that Logistics has developed a new schedule for expanded hours of operation. Logistics will now be open every Wednesday from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm and every 3rd Saturday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. During these expanded hours, Logistics personnel will only handle PPE issues. No central Stores issues will be dealt with during the expanded hours of operation. Joe reported that some 890 sets of PPE were inspected, scanned and cataloged during the recent field gear inventory.

Office of the Fire Chief, Deputy Chief Green (Tiffany) reported that she had held meeting with the Fire Commission on the MDT purchase for Volunteer Command Officers and the ALS equipment necessary for the Volunteer Medic Units. Tiffany stated that the funds have been moved in order to make the acquisitions.

Commissioner Stack (Kenny) requested approval for an expenditure request from Company 14 - \$10,505.94 – new flooring and expenditure reimbursements – **Motioned and Approved**

Commissioner Taylor (Bill) requested an expenditure approval for Company 23 - \$5000.00 for painting – **Motioned and Approved**
Company 23 - \$2000.00 for parking lot sealing – **Motioned and Approved**

Commissioner Wilson (Rick) reminded everyone that the month of October is National Cybersecurity Month and everyone should be changing their passwords at least once a year and updating their cell phones and electronic devices and obtaining virus protection for these devices.

Commissioner Dougherty (Brian) remarked about how hackers can obtain a large volume of personal data from your IRS documents so be careful when sending your documentation in electronic form. We should also use caution when purchasing on-line and providing credit card data. Brian reported that at some point some revisions will be made to the current SERF document, but that most will be highlighted

for easy recognition. Brian advised that the largest portion of information needed for the Target Solutions Database is members middle initial and personal email addresses. Please comply and get the information turned into the Volunteer Services Command. Brian advised that the Commission will begin tracking the Training monies process from start to finish. Lastly, Brian reported that there is a large amount of Stores and Fund money still unspent. Stations need to spend their money so please spend your funds.

Commissioner Bodrick (Tyrome) requested 2 medical appeals approvals:

Kathrine Wright – Co. 12 – **Motioned and Approved**

Markell Hawkins – Co. 26 – **Motioned and Approved**

Commissioner Breen (Bobby) requested approval of the September 21, 2016 meeting minutes – **Motioned and Approved**

Bobby requested an expenditure approval for Company 36 - \$3150.00 – Banquet expenses – **Motioned and Approved**

Commissioner/Vice Chairman King (Buddy) requested the following LOSAP Awards:

John Guyton – Co. 34 – 25 years – **Motioned and Approved**

James Quade – Co. 33 – 20 years – **Motioned and Approved**

PGCVFRA President, Cunningham (Bill) advised that he is looking forward to working with the Commission this year.

LAPGCVFRA, Mrs. Hetz (Lois) advised that the Ladies meeting has been moved to October 13, 2016.

Laurel VFD, Mr. Lau (Bryan) asked for an update on the Mobile Fit Test Program and Bobby advised that to his knowledge there has been no forward motion. Bobby advised that when he had new information he would provide it.

PGCVFRA President Cunningham (Bill) asked for an update on Chairman Tucker and Buddy advised he is in Sibley Hospital being treated for an infection.

Commissioner Dougherty (Brian) asked that all Companies that Chairman Tucker normally handles, if they would please send their requests to Vice Chairman King for approval. Jay is in the hospital and doesn't need to be bothered with these types of issues.

Benediction, Chaplain Rose (Raja) provided a closing prayer to send us home safely, a motion was entertained to adjourn the meeting. – **Motioned and Approved**

Minutes were recorded and typed by Commissioner/Secretary Breen

