

LANCASTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION, INC.
MARCH 2013 MEETING MINUTES

President Duane Ober called the quarterly meeting of the Lancaster County Fire Chiefs Association, Inc. to order at 19:30 hours, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the December 2012 meeting were approved as presented.

Secretary Report

Membership cards for those departments that have paid can be picked up after the meeting.

Law / Legislative

Ernie Rojahn reported the current grants programs will not be affected by the government sequestering. He also reported that the small games of chance programs are being reviewed. Also reported was that the foreign fire tax had a 0.5 % increase and the extra funds will be going to the PA State Fire Academy to help support the programs there.

Fire Marshal

No Report

LCWC / Communications

Mike Weaver updated on the new radio project. He stated that everything is on schedule. The Phase I equipment has been ordered and is being tested with various agencies. The test dates will be sent out at a later date. He also reported that the police services have chosen Relm radios for their portables. Mike also warned that fire company's may be approached by other radio dealers about buying their radios, if this should happen, please contact LCWC to ensure that the radios will work with the new system. The last item covered was paging, Mike reported that alpha numeric paging will be available and the low band paging will stay in place.

Rick Harrison reported on the communications center will start using a pre-alert for cardiac arrests.

Chief Ron Ottel raised a question about the use of P.I.N. for tablets that are being used by a few fire companies. He stated that after some time, the LCWC system logs off. LCWC will check into how to correct this.

Lancaster County Emergency Management

No report

Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center

Fire Service Coordinator Dave Gribble reported that the scheduled programs have been filling quickly and waiting lists for courses are being used. He also reported that the portable forcible entry door has been received and will be available for viewing in the training bay after the meeting. If you would like to use the prop, please contact him to schedule. Dave also reported that the county has a fit testing machine and they are looking at purchasing the needed adapters to fit test firefighters.

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Lancaster County Fireman's Association

No report.

South Central Terrorism Task Force

No report.

Apparatus Inspection

Truck 31 (Bareville Fire) has been inspected.

Standards Committee

The guidelines and checklists are currently being reviewed by the committee. As of January 1, 2014, all rescues will need to have a 9000# winch.

Golf Committee

The 2013 golf tournament will be held on July 19, 2013 at the Foxchase Golf Course. Tournament will start at 1:00 PM.

NIMS

No report.

EAST Committee

Mike Elliott thanked everyone for their support after his daughter Katelynn's accident.

Unfinished Business

Rick Harrison reported on the Chief's training event that was held in February. He stated that there were (88) people in attendance.

New Business

Ron Ottel and Scott Ryno made a motion to support the 2013 Fire Dispatcher of the year. Motion passed.

Bill Steele and Ron Ottel made a motion to support the 2013 Lancaster County Career and Technology student awards. Motion passed.

President Duane Ober reported that Complete Restoration will again be sponsoring up to (5) student scholarships. The LCFCA assists with the review of the student applications.

Mike Elliot raised his support in response to the Training Center's fit testing program. He made a motion that the LCFCA help with this project financially. A motion was made to assist with the purchase of the needed equipment, up to \$2500. Ron Ottel seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Rick Harrison reported that there is \$48,263 in the money market, \$7851 in checking for a balance of all accounts \$56,115.

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None.

Roll Call

Roll call showed (41) in attendance with (18) Fire Chiefs, (8) Deputy Chiefs, (8) Assistant Chiefs, (4) Past Chiefs and (3) Guests.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 19:30 hours at the Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 20:40 hours

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Gribble

Secretary

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