# Minutes of the June 8, 2011 Lancaster County Fire Chiefs Association, Inc. Quarterly Meeting at Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center

President Duane Ober called the meeting to order at 19:32 hours. Following the pledge of allegiance, President Ober appointed Kevin Kretzig (7-11) as Sergeant-at-Arms.

# **Guests / Presentation**

The first guests for the evening were the Compleat Restoration Scholarship winners. Cliff Ellis from Compleat Restorations was present to award the scholarships to Tonya Martin, Kirsten Sherman and Stacy Walsh.

Also in attendance was firefighter Steven Roop from Quarryville Fire Co. who received the LCCTC Student of the Year award from the Protective Services program.

The last guest for the evening was Cindy Geib who spoke about the Wills for Heros program that will be held at the LCPSTC.

# **Previous Minutes**

Ron Ottel (2-5) made a motion to accept the March 2011 minutes as written, seconded by Mike Elliott (207); motion passed.

## **Secretary Report**

There are still members that need to pay their dues,

# **Law and Legislative Report**

Ernie Rojahn (6-4) spoke about the efforts of the PA fire service community in an attempt to stop the repealing of the sprinkler legislation that went into effect on January 1, 2011. This law was challenged and is in danger of being repealed by the PA Legislature.

Ernie then spoke about the changes to the PA Child Labor Law concerning Junior Firefighters.

## Fire Marshal

Absent, no report.

# **Communications**

Director Mike Weaver reported on the new radio system progress. He stated that the period for vendor questions will close on June 16, 2011. The proposals will be opened on July 7, 2011 and they will be review all of the proposals after that date. Steve Shaver, a consultant from MWF Consulting was present to answer any questions.

After Director Weaver's report a lengthy discussion was held on the Grant that was received by the Lancaster County Fire Companies for the new radio system. The grant is still there, but September 14, 2011 is the deadline to use the grant. It was also stated the the grant may need to be re-submitted due to the equipment changes to the new system.

#### **EMA**

Director Randy Gockley reported that the South Central Task Force received a 38% cut in funding. He also reported on the new South Central Alert System for public notifications. With the new system, a person will be able to register a cell phone for notifications.

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## **Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center**

Fire Service Coordinator Dave Gribble reported that the 2012 schedule is completed for the Training Center and will be released later in the year. The new LCPSTC website has been launched and information is updated weekly, the website address is <a href="www.lcpstc.org">www.lcpstc.org</a>. He also asked that companies complete the facility use form that is available on the LCPSTC website so that tracking of facility use is accurate.

It was also reported that fire company's consider adding HAZMAT 2-9 to 2<sup>nd</sup> alarm structure fires.

# **LCFA**

Tom Hoffman of the LCFA was present and reported on the updates to the Pequea Lane Facility.

# **South Central Task Force**

No report.

# **Standards Committee**

The following apparatus inspections were completed since the March 2011 meeting: Rescue 1-3, Rescue 4-7, Rescue 3-9 and Rescue 7-9-2.

Chairman Dave Wiker asked for a motion to accept the new apparatus standards as published. A motion was made by Dave Johnson (2-6) with a second by Scott Ryno (8-1), motion carried and passed.

#### **Golf Tournament**

Rick Harrison (2-4) reported the 2011 golf tournament will be held on Friday, July 15 at the Foxchase Golf Course. There are (4) Chief's Sponsors, (2) Captains Sponsors and (76) golfers registered.

### **Rescue Task Force**

No report.

#### N.I.M.S

No report

#### L.O.D.D.

Mike Elliott (207) gave a brief powerpoint presentation of what the committee has been working on and how they will be assisting emergency response organization should they need assistance. The committee will now be known as the Emergency Agency Support Team and will be adding representatives from Police and EMS at a later date. Mike Elliott will serve as the committee chairperson and Chad Graybill (5-1) will serve as the vice-chairperson.

#### **Unfinished Business**

It was reported that Mike Reese was awarded the Fire Dispatcher of the year.

#### **New Business**

Vice President Scott Ryno reported on a training program that deals with Firefighter Rehab. The cost of the program is \$500. A motion was made by Bill Gross (201) to sponsor the program with a second by Lonnie Kauffman (4-1). The motion carried and passed.

The new LCFCA website is currently being updated by Phil Colvin.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Harrison reported bills of \$7205.40 and deposits of \$11,142.00. Leaving a balance of \$11,883.54 in the checking account and \$48,148.72 in the savings account.

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# **Good of the Order**

There are still LCFCA shirts and hats for sale.

# Roll Call

Roll call showed (53) people in attendance with (32) departments represented. There were (19) Fire Chiefs, (9) Deputy Chiefs, (9) Assistant Chiefs, (6) Past Chiefs and (10) Guests.

# **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Lancaster County Fire Chiefs Association, Inc. will be held at the Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center at Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at 19:30 hours.

With no other business the meeting was adjourned at 21:26 hours

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Gribble Secretary

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