

LANCASTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION, INC.
SEPTEMBER 2014 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.

Guests / Presentations

The first guest was Dave Falmer of Target Solutions. Target Solutions is an online training & records management company based in Ohio. Dave spoke about the programs that are available to Fire Company's.

The second guest Jim Fannin of the Worship Center in Leola. Jim spoke about the upcoming family safety day that will be held on October 11, 2014 from 10:00 to 14:00.

The third guest of the evening was representatives of the Mason-Dixon Rescue Dogs. This is an all-volunteer organization with members from Pennsylvania and Maryland. They spoke about the resources available to assist in search details. They also spoke about an (8) hour training program that they have available.

Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the June 2014 meeting were approved as presented.

Secretary Report

No Report

Law / Legislative

Ernie Rojahn reported that the Cumberland Valley Association had their annual meeting. He also reported on the upcoming state grant program available to fire and EMS companies in PA.

Fire Marshal

No Report

LCWC / Communications

Rick Harrison reported that the Knox Company will be discontinuing the tone activated knox box in October 2014. They will have a trade in program for those companies that currently have the tone activated boxes in their apparatus.

Mike Weaver reported on the radio system project. It was reported that they have completed 52% of the test grids for the new system. Mike also reported that the alpha paging is at 99.9%. All land coverage testing should be completed by 09/19/2014, once this is completed, river coverage will be started. The only problems found so far were some console issues and they have been repaired.

Tait will be meet with LCWC to review the code plugs for their radios. A work price list for the Tait radios has been completed and Bob Moyer will be the Tait radio representative.

Rick Harrison reported on the upcoming train-the-trainer program for the new radio system. Each fire company is asked to send (2) representatives to the training sessions, one program will be held on

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Friday evening, November 20 and then again on Saturday, November 2. Fire Company's will on need to attend one of the programs and are asked to RSVP for which program they will be attending.

Rick also spoke about the (3) radio zones and the operations of the emergency buttons.

Bill Hall asked a question about making chief officers a resource in the system, LCWC is open to the idea.

Keith Eshleman also spoke about the emergency buttons and stated that if the radio is on the Simplex channel, the emergency identifier will not go out.

Lancaster County Emergency Management

LEMA Director Randy Gockley that a 09/11 memorial ceremony will be held at 09:30 at the LCPSTC.

Randy also reported in the information that they (LEMA) receive about the Bakken Oil trains that run through Lancaster County. His office is currently working on a plan on how to handle these trains.

Also reported was that Lancaster County will be receiving a Traffic Management Trailer and equipment from the South Central Task Force. This unit will be housed at the LCPSTC and will be available for traffic management issues.

Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center

Fire Service Coordinator Dave Gribble reported that the 2015 training schedule is starting to be posted on the LCPSTC website and registrations are being accepted for 2015 programs.

Lancaster County Fireman's Association

LCFA President Jere Buchter spoke about the Pequea Lane training site and how to go about reserving the site for training. He also reported that they have received a portable restroom trailer and the West Lampeter Township will be installing a dry hydrant along the Pequea Creek by the site.

South Central Terrorism Task Force

No report.

Apparatus Inspection

The following apparatus has been inspected: Engine 49-2, Truck 11 and Tanker 76. All of these units are currently in-service.

Standards Committee

No Report

Golf Committee

Chairman Rick Harrison thanked everyone that helped with the tournament and reported a profit of approximately \$12,000. The 2015 LCFA Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, July 24, 2015 at Foxchase.

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NIMS

No report.

EAST Committee

No report.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

The nominations for the 2015-2016 LCFCOA Officers were held with the following:

President – Scott Ryno (Station 801)

1st Vice President – Larry Martin (Station 39)

2nd Vice President – Dave Gribble (Station 48)

Secretary – Duane Ober (Station 26)

Treasurer – Rick Harrison (Station 204)

Directors – Bill Hall (Station 75) & Troy Weaver (Station 30)

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Rick Harrison reported that there is \$48,323 in the money market, \$25,235 in checking for a balance of all accounts \$73,558. A motion was made by Dean Gantz, Jr (Station 7) and a second by Ron Ottel (Station 25) to accept the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

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None

Roll Call

Roll call showed (72) in attendance with (29) Fire Chiefs, (15) Deputy Chiefs, (12) Assistant Chiefs, (7) Past Chiefs and (9) Guests.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 19:30 hours at the Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 21:08 hours

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Gribble

Secretary

Lancaster County Fire Chief's Association, Inc.