



Suffolk County Fire, Rescue & Emergency Services Commission
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MINUTES OF
DECEMBER 3, 2014 MEETING

Chairman Egan opened the meeting at 8:05 p.m., followed by the Salute to the Flag and a moment of silence for sick and departed members: Roy Fries, Ex-Chief and past President, North Lindenhurst Fire Department.

Acceptance of Minutes:

The minutes of the October 2014 meeting were accepted by a motion from E. Tully and seconded by C. Bancroft. The motion carried.

Correspondence: T. Portoghese

No correspondence received or sent since last meeting.

List of courses offered are on the last page of these minutes.

Treasurer's Report: C. Bancroft

The total opening balance \$4115.29; balance at SCNB \$50.81 and at FASNY \$4065. The closing balance was \$ 4115.81. Only East Hampton Chiefs' have not paid 2014 dues. Motion made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's reports. Close SCNB account. All in favor and no one opposing, the motion was carried to close the account.

Report of Officers: J. Egan

Tony is in Florida. Quiet month.

Commissioner's Report: J. Williams (Absent)

No report.

Deputy Commissioner's Report: J. Jordan

- Commissioner sends his regards.
- The budget passed. Everyone supported budget and we're good.
- Greg (Communications) and Joel (Support Services) are making up email distribution list. Fire department members can sign up using website. Blast fax is hit or miss; email is way to go.

- County is hosting marathon next September. Many agencies involved. County IMAT team will coordinate event. If you have questions, contact J. Jordan.
- Hired 1 full timer and 2 part timers (Fire Marshals). Inspections are going great; everyone is happy with the numbers.
- Support Services requests have increased greatly.
- DFC – will be adding new positions. Many thanks to all who support us.
- Wish everyone Happy Holidays.

Fire Marshal's Report: D. Lynch

Did letter go out to support peace officer status in Islip? Yes.

Fire Academy: R. Holley

- Firefighter 1 is off to a slow start but picking up now.
- Field is closed; thanks to Commissioner Williams and Deputy Commissioner Jordan for all they are doing.
- Haz Mat Refresher is complete, up and running; will roll out first of year. We will still run in person. Can be done in a group atmosphere.
- Training requests – haven't heard from 16 departments.
- We're nearing the final stage for getting college credit for some classes.
- Wish all Happy Holidays.

Egan – deadlines serve a purpose and are there for a reason. Please tell your organizations to respond.

VEEB: R. Barz

Conducted interviews with three (3) Board candidates. Two (2) new members have been selected: Gary Schaum of West Sayville and Bob Kutch of Deer Park. Legislators will accept nominations and turn them over to Public Safety Committee in late January. Once approved, they should be sworn in, in February.

SCPD – Special Patrol Bureau: Capt. J. Blosser (Absent)

No report.

EMS: M. Masterton

- Happy Holidays
- Ebola is still out there
- There is an upage of the flu.
- Our budget was approved; per diems were upped.
- Drills – we were involved in many drills
- PPE classes – 4 more this month
- ALS – 1 more class

Budget Committee: D. Silverman (Absent)

No report.

Arson Task Force: T. Crafts

No report.

Combined Radio Committee: N. Reilly, Jr.

- Had to cancel November. Next meeting is January 14th.
- Greg – still working on a number of projects
- 700 MHz will continue to get more issues.
- Gator site and Med Com site is University Hospital
- 911 system upgrade next year. Can reach out to Kathy Bassett if Miniutti is unavailable.

Buildings & Grounds: E. Tully

Fire Academy is shut down and doing repairs.

Legislation & Standards: E. Tully

Trying to get bill numbers for those in Albany

Codes & Prevention: V. Bologna (Absent)

No report.

EMS & REMSCO:

Someone from Bay Shore received ALS Provider of the Year
Islip Ambulance Chiefs was put on REMSCO

Burn Center: N. Luparella (Absent)

No report.

Recruitment & Retention: R. Murphy

There is progress. Numbers remain about the same. Committee met last month. Working on some amendments on 2009 grant. Still some work to be done on it.

Old Business:

Reilly: Liaison Committee (FRES Commission members and Fire Academy) met and had a productive meeting.

Egan: meeting went well and was long overdue.

New Business:

Suggestion to change time for the FRES Commission meeting from 8:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Motion by R. Rizzuti and seconded by T. Crafts. Motion carried and therefore this Commission will meet from now on (beginning January 2015) at 7:30 pm!

NOMINATIONS:

Nomination of Officers:

Reilly: Treasurer moving up? Bancroft: I can't.

Chairman – Nominate A. LaFerrera by a motion from T. Crafts and seconded by C. Bancroft.

Vice Chair – Nominate R. Murphy by a motion from N. Reilly and seconded by E. Tully.

Treasurer – Nominate J. Bancroft by a motion from R. Murphy and seconded by E. Tully.

Anyone interested in being corresponding secretary?

All nominations will remain open until the January meeting.

Reilly: attendance needs to be addressed.

Send letters to associations/organizations for those who do not attend meetings. Discussion ensued. Should we make a % of meetings necessary in order to be a representative? Motion to send letter to organizations whose representatives attend 50% or fewer meetings. Crafts motioned and Murphy seconded. If less than 50%, we need a new representative or alternate. Ask for radio committee representative and that they should be attending Radio Committee meetings.

Public Comment:

Wish everyone a great holiday season. Appreciate everyone's efforts (Egan)

A motion was made to adjourn meeting by E. Tully and seconded by R. Murphy. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Members Present	Members Excused	Staff Present	Guests Present
Murphy, R.	LaFerrera, A.	Jordan, J.	Masterton, M.
Bancroft, C	Bloom, A.	Holley, R.	Barz, R.
Crafts, T.	Bologna, V.	Miniutti, G.	
Sullo, A.	Luparella, N.	Portoghese, T.	
Tully, E.	Silverman, D.	Alles, C.	
Rizzuti, R.			
Reilly, N.			
Markott, K.			
Egan, J.			
Prosek, B.			
Alternates Present			
McDonough, J. – Huntington Town Chiefs'			
Lynch, D. – Fire Marshals' Assoc. of SC			

RESCHEDULED MEETING

NEXT MEETING	Wednesday, February 4, 2015
TIME	7:30 pm
LOCATION	SC Dept. FRES Library, Yaphank
REFRESHMENTS	A. Bloom and V. Bologna

LIST OF COURSES OFFERED

Course	Location	Dates	Days / Time
EMT-Refresher	SM EMS Academy	1/5-3/19	Mons-Fris 8-3:30-4:30
EMT Basic Orig	Huntington Comm FAS	1/14-6/18	Weds 7-10 & Sats 9-3:30
EMT Refresher	Southold FD	1/20-5/21	Tues & Thurs 7 – 10pm
EMT Basic Orig	Gordon Hts FD	1/21-6/18	Weds & Fris 7-10-11&Sats
EMT Basic Orig	West Babylon FD	1/22-7/16	Mons & Thurs 7-10-11&Sats