



Suffolk County Fire, Rescue & Emergency Services Commission
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MINUTES OF
JUNE 24, 2015 MEETING

Chairman LaFerrera opened the meeting at 7:34 p.m., followed by the Salute to the Flag and a moment of silence for sick and departed members: Charlie Peterson of Holbrook FD.

Acceptance of Minutes:

The minutes of the May 27, 2015 meeting were accepted by a motion from R. Murphy and seconded by E. Tully. The motion carried.

Correspondence: T. Portoghese

No correspondence received or sent since last meeting.

Treasurer's Report: J. Bancroft

SCNB bank account is finally closed; FASNY is now the only bank account we have. With two deposits totaling \$390.78, the closing balance was \$4451.81. Motion made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report. All in favor and no one opposing, the motion was carried.

Report of Officers: A. LaFerrera / T. Crafts

No report.

Commissioner's Report: J. Williams

- Seven (7) new dispatchers started June 1st. Possibility of three more dispatchers retiring. Waiting until September when new people come off probation and will start another class.
- Had operating budget meeting today. Sept meeting we will come together and see where we are.
- We have applied for another SAFER Grant. Go back to your organizations and if letters have not been sent, please do so now – this is very important. This is just for Suffolk; Nassau has not put in for it we believe.
- Contract with VEEB, they will get their money in a timely manner. We've talked before on administrative cost, and it will be 20% cannot be 15%. Thank Bob and Eddie for a great job. Past controversy woke a lot of people up and opened a lot of eyes.

Deputy Commissioner's Report: J. Jordan (Absent)

No report.

Fire Marshal's Report: E. Springer (Absent)

No report.

Fire Academy: E. Johnston

- We added heavy rescue 2; rewriting hybrid style
- Ran boot camp and grades were great; only 4 failed. We will be running another boot camp starting July 2nd.
- If anyone needs anything with new OSHA stuff coming out, just let us know; we'll help you out.

Should we write a letter to special patrol (LaFerrera) as new helicopter was delivered? Reilly: why aren't they here? AF: will probably give them a call.

VEEB: (Absent)

No report.

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

No report.

EMS: M. Masterton (Absent)

No report.

Budget Committee: D. Silverman

No report. **Budget Committee meeting on September 30th at 6:30 pm in the Commissioner's Office.**

Arson Task Force: T. Crafts (Absent)

No report.

Combined Radio Committee: N. Reilly

Cancelled regular meeting

Sun am meeting here

Riverhead – Tuesday at 10 and 7

Buildings & Grounds: E. Tully

Up and running.

Power was hit by lightning (Johnston) working on it.

Legislation & Standards: E. Tully

Session in Albany has been extended one week.

Codes & Prevention: V. Bologna (Absent)

No report.

EMS & REMSCO: A. LaFerrera

Last REMSCO meeting had poor response for awards and hopefully more people can be nominated.

July 14th at Ocean Beach.

Burn Center: N. Luparella (Absent)
No report.

Recruitment & Retention: R. Murphy
Has been covered with Commissioner's report.

Old Business:
Board up Legislation is all done. Will come to scene on their own. If a problem with a specific company, Town Fire Marshal will be notified.

New Business:
Williams: LODD Frank Obremsky – October 10th his name will be put on the wall. I would like to get a couple of buses and have people come down.
LODD – we are trying to write something up so that it can help everyone not just current chiefs. There is a lot of misinformation out there and we want this “book” to be complete and have all the correct information.
Williams – we all recognize that this is a very important issue and I think we need to get something out a lot quicker. Going to Chiefs meetings doesn't work. Let me suggest that we make up a “Bulletin” and get out to all departments the importance of letting FRES know as soon as possible after a line of duty death.
Bancroft – we are working on it but want to do it right.
Williams – tell people to contact FRES and talk to Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner if they think they have a line of duty death.
Motion to send a fax out with info to call 4815 if they think they have a LODD.
Fallen Firefighters Foundation – big push for stair climbers.

Public Comment:
None.

A motion was made to adjourn meeting by A. LaFerrera and seconded by R. Murphy. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Members Present	Members Excused	Staff Present	Guests Present
LaFerrera, Anthony	Egan, Jay	Williams, Joseph	
Murphy, Ryan		Johnston, Edward	
Bancroft, Chip		Miniutti, Gregory	
Sullo, Anthony		Portoghese, Terry	
Tully, Jr., Edward		Alles, Carolyn	
Reilly, Jr., Norman			
Silverman, Drew			
Markott, Kyle			
Prosek, Bryan			

NEXT MEETING	<u>Wednesday, September 30, 2015</u>
TIME	7:30 pm
LOCATION	SC Dept. FRES Library, Yaphank
REFRESHMENTS	Kyle Markott and Jay Egan