

## Northampton Fire and Rescue Commission November meeting

The meeting was call to order on November 24, 2009 at 19:15 by Vice-Chair LeCato.

All companies were present as well as representation from NCEMS and the 911 Center.

### **Minutes:**

Minutes were distributed by A. Wilcox. There were no additions or corrections.

### **Treasurer's report:**

\$3, 614.31 in account. Have received a check for \$83.37 from Cape Charles. All checks were distributed at last minute except Station 13. Greg DeYoung was present to speak. He had left the ER in order to be present for the meeting. He advised that if he is on the Shore he does his best to be at the meetings. A motion and second was made to give Exmore their funds.

### **Communications:**

- most items pertained to Accomack
- VITA draft should be ready next month
- issue on 11/22/09-channel 2-Jamesville tower was off-line-phone co has looked into
- still willing to do 911 presentation
- have presented to Accomack the dual alert cardiac arrest/resp arrest/2<sup>nd</sup> amb call
- revision re:manual-committee-autolaunch (nightingale,etc) thru EMS council
- still believe there is a need for EMS on every fire call
- follow staffing guidelines throughout day and will be up to the OIC if they want to cancel
- Accomack has GIS mapping done-noticeable changes have been done-deferred until maps out to each station
- Nor'Easter brought up when to stop dispatching or change in way to do business-motion made to read through changes first and vote later
- Bay Creeks maps are complete, but not sure if all addresses are correct
- Jeff not sure how to get monthly updates for addresses to folks yet

### **Fire Related**

Steve Wilson asked Jim if a letter had been sent to Station 16 re:Aug 9 rehab unit thanking Amy and crew for getting unit up there. Jim indicated there had not been. Steve apologized on their behalf and stated that it was very much appreciated.

-Greg thanked Steve and those that came down and helped with the tower when they had problems with the wind.

### **EMS related**

-234 calls in October- calls up considerably- our ability to answer with 20 is declining

-low 80% during daytime, on a higher note Jan thru Oct- Exmore and Cape Charles answered \_\_\_\_\_%, whereas Nassawadox answered \_\_\_\_%, during October and November Nassawadox answered 94% of calls, Exmore 76%, and Cape Charles 84%

-during the winter months we don't usually miss calls, but call volume has gone up

### **Training Center:**

-no official meeting last month

-had a roof leak

-had 2 classes and they went off well

-SCBA maze is complete and it is very nice-any station interested has to fill out a form

-please get insurance info to Accomack County attn County Admin

-propane simulator there and installed but issues with people getting trained

### **Old Business:**

-committee meeting in January re:incentive-BOS

### **New Business**

Sam Long spoke with Larry Tralla-conveyed to him his interest in way county can work with fire (more so than EMS), may be a conflict in date, but that may be able to be worked out

### **Other**

Chili cook off, Tool Mania

2 sheets back for accountability-start 10-11:30 lunch then an hour – hour and half after

Meeting adjourned at 19:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy S. Wilcox