

Northampton County Fire Commission October meeting

The meeting was called to order on 10/27/15 at 19:03, by Chair DeYoung

St 13 x	St 16 x	NCEMS x
St 14 x	St 17 x	BOS x
St 15 x	St 19	911 x

Matt Booth scheduled to be present, had confirmed date and time.

Minutes: Amy Wilcox

A motion and 2nd were made to approve the minutes as written.

Treasurer's report: Adam Zieger

\$1079.67

Last 2 Cape Charles (building level fees) have not been dispersed.

Greg believes supposed to get& be dispersed in December.

Communications: Crystal Simpson

- simulcast project coming to a close
- distortion problem-adjustment needed with Belle Haven/Accomac sites
- received payment for 11/16 invoices for legacy program
- OMD working with Riverside and NCEMS
- CAD texting changes-give call to Krista Killmon
- still working to implement changes from Bi-County communication-hope to be done by November- Crystal reviewed changes discussed in last month's meeting
- 911 will use roll call to clear units
- moving forward with calling to dispatch
- America House-beginning to look at it being a campground-Jay would like to have some input-fire truck access and water source- dry hydrant is on a S-turn and is unsafe without a lot of traffic control
- Granville believes now is the time to bring these things to light, he is concerned about traffic safety but he wants input from Fire/EMS people- most people don't ask fire/ems opinion because they don't want to hear it

Training/Training Center:

- 14 people signed up for HTR class-still taking registration Nov 7th/Nov 8th
- LP Gas class got cancelled
- ISO- had class (13?)
- Training center committee is meeting tomorrow night

Fire Issues:

- Jay got word last week that only two loads of water are allowed to be gotten from the CBBT
- Jay has talked with forestry-huge pond at Kiptopeake-maybe put a dry hydrant there if funding becomes available- need an agreement between Kiptopeake and Forestry Department (Jeff has been handling for 13&16, he might be the best place to start)
- a discussion about who can put them in contractor vs. state
- how much does it cost to repair vs. construct

- the one down at Sand Hill is not useable
- Thought is if an engine is out the door- next incoming units should be tankers, not engines- then manpower
- Greg thanked everyone for all the help at the Tankard fires-it was a good job by all-have not heard anything from the investigation

EMS Issues:

- Ad-Hoc EMS committee met the other day: Hollye, Greg, Dr. Molera- Dr. Jones chair of all committees
- most immediate need is personnel and how going to fund-requested suggestions from NCFRC
- EMS tax? Adam stated that if there is going to be a tax it needs to be an EMS/Fire tax
-.01= \$200,000
- How do you allocate-by district? County as a whole?
- Adam suggested looking at Accomack's
- Ad-Hoc committee is also dealing with education- Granville has approached Dr. Glover as well as the school superintendent
- education, telemedicine (internet service)
- Rural Health is moving to combine Bayview and Franktown (looking at bringing in Sentara to man during off hours)
- Granville has talked with USDA and USHA
- acquisition of building in Machipongo should be done within next two weeks and the garage should be starting to be built
- project to follow patients discharged from hospital to not return-10k from Riverside 7k from county

Old Business:

- correspondence was received re:receiving tax incentive, everyone should have their vouchers by now

New Business:

- departments need to be thinking about doing their budgets
- Granville will try to do a plan review

Other:

- Exmore just about on board with sync pad
- have gotten quotes to retrofit both stretchers to bariatric-\$6,000

Announcements:

No announcements.

Meeting adjourned at 20:31

Respectfully submitted,

Amy S. Wilcox