

Ashtabula County Fire Chiefs Association Minutes of Monthly Meeting

July 17, 2008

Harpersfield Community Center

The meeting was called to order at 1830 by Chief Ron Pristera with the following members present;

**Joe Albergo James Bartlett Todd Dutton Vince Gildone Laverne Goodge
Everett Henry John Jyurovat Ed Kozial Tom Lachey Tim Mills Ron Pristera
George Sabo Douglas Starkey David Turk Ron Valitsky John Wayman Sr.
Bill Wilms Ted Wilms Larry Morse**

The body approved the minutes of the June meeting as presented.

The treasurer's report was excepted as presented.

***Correspondence:* Chief Ron Pristera reminded the body to help out at the Jefferson fair at the fire department booth.**

Committee Reports

***Ad Hoc Committee Reports:* Per Asst. Chief Steele, work continues on the 501C3 project.**

New rough draft of the County Mutual Aid document was passed out and it will be discussed at the next meeting.

***Standing Committee Reports:* Chief Turk reported on the equipment testing. Chief Turk hopes the price will be the same as last year. Testing should get under way the first week in October.**

Please get your fire safety trailer agreement signed and turned in.

***Golf Outing:* Battalion Chief Gildone reported the plans were complete and that the outing is ready.**

Chief Pristera reviewed some changes to the ACFA meeting schedule and the proposed changes were passed as presented.

Special Reports

Mr. Koler presented a report and overview of the Ohio EPA and discussed with the body how and when to call them out.

Unfinished Business & General Orders

Line gun demo was held before the meeting.

Rules for high visibility vests were reviewed and a joint purchase was set up; the point of contact to be Chief Starkey.

New Business

AFD will help any department with Honor Guard training.

ACSO would like to attend one of our meetings. How the ACSO and the County FD's can work together will be discussed.

Good of the Order

The body was reminded about the July O-Chiefs Conference.

Instructor Con-ed was discussed and ACMC will hold a CE Conference the 1st Friday in August in the Solarium.

Meeting adjourned by consensus at 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

**Vincent T. Gildone
Battalion Chief**

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September 18, 2008

UH Conneaut Medical Center

The meeting was called to order at 1835 by Chief Ron Pristera with the following members present;

**Nicholas Colby Mike Fitchet Vincent Gildone Laverne Goodge John Jyurovat
Ed Kozial Tom Lachey Dave Lemponen Ron Pristera Doug Starkey Tom Steele
William Strubbe Ron Valitsky**

Guest: Ron Fenton

The body approved the minutes of the August meeting as presented.

The treasurer's report was excepted as presented.

***Correspondence:* Chief Pristera reviewed with the body 2 letters from AVJVS and ACSO. Chief Pristera also thanked all who were involved with the golf outing.**

Committee Reports

Apparatus testing reviews and dates were discussed as well as cost. All is ready.

***Training:* Chief Strubbe discussed possible upcoming FFII and 36 hr basic classes. If you have needs, let the Vo-Ed know. An instructor class may be held after the first of the year.**

***Water Rescue:* Chief Jyurovat reported on new line guns. One is at Saybrook and one is at Rome FD. He also reported good attendance at the Rome Water Rescue drill.**

***Fire Safety Trailer:* It was reported to the body that 19 of 25 departments have completed the necessary paperwork to use the trailer.**

***Ad Hoc Committee Reports:* Asst. Chief Steele reported costs of \$400 to do the paperwork and \$150 to the US Treasury for our 501-C3 project.**

***Mutual Aid Agreement:* Please look it over. We need to decide what we are going to do with it.**

Special Orders: Chief Ron Fenton spoke to the body about the interaction of our departments and the SWAT team. Together we will try to work through contact and response situations.

Unfinished Business & General Orders

Advertisement – No report.

High Visibility Vests – No orders as of yet.

New Business

CISM – Mike Fitchet will review and lead us forward on the project. Bring a report to the next meeting.

Golf outing - Was discussed and this annual project will be reviewed for next year.

Christmas Party – Asst. Chief Steele reported work continues on this project.

Good of the Order

Chief Pristera reviewed with the body how we will handle the next meeting with location change and time change as well as Association paying for attendance at the EMS conference @ the Vo-Ed.

Flowers are being sent to Dave Plants who is in the ICU @ UH-CMC.

The County Resource number was reviewed and many are wrong chiefs. Need to check on their information.

Meeting adjourned by consensus at 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Vincent T. Gildone
Battalion Chief**

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October 16, 2008

Ashtabula County Joint Vocational School

The meeting was called to order at 1730 by Chief Ron Pristera with the following members present;

**Dennis Arcaro Mike Fitchet Warren Gibson Vincent Gildone Lavern Goodge
James Heath Everett Henry Ed Kozial Brian Lehtonen Dave Lemponen
Ron Pristera George Sabo Tom Steele William Strubbe Mike Sullivan
John Wayman Sr. Bill Wilms**

The body approved the minutes of the September meeting as presented.

**The treasurer's report was approved by the body as presented by Chief Strubbe.
Also reviewed with the body were the '08 dues.**

Committee Reports

***Apparatus:* Testing is going well with no major problems to report. Chief Turk is onsite during testing.**

***CISM:* Chief Fitchet reported to the body he has had some informal meetings and continues to work on the project.**

***Water Rescue:* Chief Kozial reported 40 personnel attended the last training held in Orwell.**

***Hazmat:* One response to assist Monroe FD with a propane tanker rollover.**

Chief Pristera reported on the death in the Orwell Fire Department family. The body is supportive of Orwell in this time of need.

Ad Hoc Committees

***EMA:* Director Sabo discussed with the body the need for at least 1 more person as EMS/Fire Coordinator. The general feeling of the body was the need to have a chief level officer in this position. Ashtabula County did very well during the PNPP drill.**

***ACJVS:* Dr. Brockway gave a short presentation on Issue 44 and asked for our support. The chiefs association will continue to support the Vo-Ed.**

**Windsor FD: FD will set up a show and tell @ the EMA October 23, 2008 at 10AM
for the new mobile dog kennel.**

Unfinished Business & General Orders

No report at this time.

New Business

NFPA 1901 revision presentation at a future meeting received a cool reception.

The election of officers will take place next meeting.

**An Instructor class will be held early in 2009. May be set up for Weekends and/or
evenings - will be announced. Class size of 10 will be needed.**

Good of the Order / Announcements

Reminder to stay for the ACEMS Symposium

**Christmas Party plans are going well. Up to \$650 was approved by the body and
fees were set at \$10 single / \$20 couple also was approved.**

Next Meeting will be held November 20 at APMC in the Education building.

Meeting adjourned by consensus @ 1830.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent T. Gildone

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November 19, 2008

Ashtabula County Medical Center

The meeting was called to order at 1830 by Chief Ron Pristera with the following members present;

**Dennis Arcaro Nicholas Colby Mike Fitchet Vincent Gildone Laverne Goodge
James Heath Ed Kozial Tom Lachey Neal Stewart Brian Lehtonen
Dave Lemponen Angi Maki David Plants Tina Ray Bill Seckler Douglas Starkey
Mike Sullivan Ron Valitsky John Wayman Sr.**

The body approved the minutes of the October meeting as presented.

The treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Committee Reports

***Apparatus:* Chief Turk was commended for his efforts with this project.
Bills/Reports are completed and delivered.**

***Christmas Party:* Setup is planned for December 19th at 5pm. The social and dinner will be at 6:30pm at Lenox Community Center.**

***Water Rescue:* The team was called out to Andover but was called off.**

It was brought to the association's attention to get all the fire recerts done ASAP.

***Website:* Some discussion was held by the body about our website. The NAD website issue will be revisited at a later date.**

***Special Orders:* Chief Kozial reviewed with the body the use of postal inspectors on white powder calls. Chief Kozial's experience with them was positive. They have very good equipment and will respond to our requests for help.**

***CISM:* This is moving slowly. There will possibly be more info at a future meeting.**

Unfinished Business & General Orders

Chief Arcaro is working on the advertisements for the soliciting of volunteers.

The Fire/EMS instructor's class will be starting in January at the Vo-Ed.

New Business

HazMat response to MVFD and the dues issues were discussed and a bill has been sent to them for the response.

DPAC: Funds were reviewed with the body - approximately 80,000 for projects. Over 600,000 in requests have been sent in to the EMA.

The election of Officers was held;

**President – Tom Steele
Vice President 1 – Ed Kozial
Vice President 2 – Everett Henry
Secretary – Vincent Gildone
Treasurer – Bill Strubbe**

Retired Asst. Chief Plants thanked the association for flowers sent to him during his recent stay at CMC.

Chief Starkey reported the GFD Fire/Rescue Training Center is complete. Use SOGs are being developed. If anyone would like to see it, contact GFD.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 15th at Martinis.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus @ 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent T. Gildone