



SOLANO COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION Meeting Minutes

Date: March 3, 2016
10:00 a.m.

Meeting Called By: Tony Velasquez, President

Location: OES
530 Clay Street, Fairfield, CA 94533

Attendees: Chief Velasquez, Chief Concepcion, Division Chief Mark Sharpe, Chief Glantz, Chief Hartford, Chief Rosewall, Deputy Chief Trepagnier, Chief Wood, Holly Powers (OES).

Call to Order:
Time: 1006 hrs.

Introductions: None

Presentations: Next month Geoff Belyea will be making a presentation.

Approval of Minutes: January 7, 2016 – Motion to Approve by Chief Concepcion, seconded by Division Chief Sharpe. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report (Chief Concepcion): No Report available at this meeting. However, a motion was made by Chief Concepcion, seconded by Chief Hartford to purchase the plaque for Chief O'Brien and monies would be reimbursed at a future date. All were in favor.

Communications: None

Additions to Agenda: None

Old Business: None

Subsections: No Reports

New Business:

- Chief Velasquez passed around copies of the Work Plan prepared by Analysts Taylor, Gina and Andi following the Solano County Fire Chiefs Association Retreat on February 16-18, 2016. He explained that this is a working document and to let him know if there are any questions after your review. In addition, he noted that the priorities were listed from highest to lowest based on urgency.

- Holly asked who would be the team leaders for USAR. Chief Lydon and Chief Concepcion would be taking over as team leaders. There was some discussion as to the need for an MOU or something similar in its place. Holly stated that the team needs to work together and set aside time to determine their needs so that she can work on the paperwork to obtain monies. She will be sending out information on what she needs for the grant to move forward.

Holly also talked about looking at a responsibility matrix and make assignments at a future meeting.

Brief Updates: None

Roundtable:

Fairfield - Chief Velasquez thought the retreat went well. He stated Fairfield is now receiving applications for the reserve program. He has copies of Fairfield's Annual Report for those interested in receiving a copy.

Rio Vista - Chief Hartford said they had an engineer exam coming up and had received 13 qualified applicants to date. This is a SAFER Grant funded position.

Vacaville – Chief Concepcion noted that they had promoted 3 captains to fill Station 75. The battalion chief test would take place early in April 2016. He might have a need to ask for assistance during this process. The position will be filled in house.

Additionally, they were recruiting for a deputy chief; Phil Sanders has agreed to stay through October 31, 2016. The recruitment process will start in May. Residency requirements are now 1 hour. There will be engineer interviews early next week.

Station 75 dedication will be June 15, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. Chief Concepcion hopes everyone will be able to attend.

Vallejo – Division Chief Sharpe stated they are waiting arrival of truck and are hoping to have it before the wildland season begins. They already have a Tac channel (command channel) assigned for it, but will make sure they are not stepping on anyone's toes before everything is finalized. Vallejo will be looking to hire in the next fiscal year.

OES – Holly stated there would be an ICS 300 course next week and they need more attendees. She asked that everyone get the word out to their respective departments.

She added that there will be Homeland Security money for the USAR team; however the trucks will need to wait for another time frame. She asked who was the new contact for the trucks. Chief McAlister would be the contact.

Holly explained there was \$5,000 available for training and \$15,000 available for equipment; equipment and training monies were also available for FIU as well as monies for CERT.

Fairfield – Deputy Chief Trepagnier stated they were looking at getting two Type IIIs by the end of July.

Suisun Fire Protection District - Chief Glantz said they were looking to obtain an additional command vehicle.

Vacaville Fire Protection District – Chief Wood stated that Station 68 is now open. He hoped that they would be getting seasonal Cal Fire engines to house there.

Chief Wood noted that they were always looking for surplus equipment to pass on to Mexico and if anyone had any surplus equipment to let him know.

Montezuma Fire Protection District – Chief Rosewall had nothing to report for this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Next Meeting: April 7, 2016