



SOLANO COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes

Meeting

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

Meeting Called By: Chief Tony Velasquez, President

Location: Benicia Fire Department

Attendees:

Chief Tony Velasquez (Fairfield),
Deputy Chief Jorge Merodio (Fairfield),
Deputy Chief Jeff Johnson (Cal Fire),
Division Chief Josh Chadwick (Benicia),
Chief John Speakman (Travis AFB),
Chief Mike O'Brien (Suisun City),
Interim Chief Jay Huyssoon (Rio Vista FPD),
Chief Kris Concepcion (Vacaville),
Interim Chief Greg Lewis, (Dixon),
Assistant Chief John Salvate (CalOES),
Chief Keith Martin (Cordelia),
Chief Howard Wood (Vacaville FPD),
Chief Ron Glantz (Suisun FPD),
Chief Jack McArthur (Vallejo),
Don Ryan (Solano OES),
Holly Powers (Solano OES),
Chief Jim Lydon (Benicia),
Jimmy Pierson (Medic Ambulance)

Call to Order:

Time: 1000 hours

Introductions:

- Chief Velasquez had everyone introduce themselves

Presentations: None

Approval of Minutes: July 7, 2016 – Motion to approve minutes by Chief Martin, seconded by Chief O'Brien. All in favor. Minutes Approved.

Treasurer's Report (Chief Concepcion):

- See attached

Additions to Agenda:

- Deletion of Alex Nourot presentation

Old Business:

- Gang of Five / Homeland Security Grant Program (Holly Powers)
 - Applications are due at the end of this year
 - Reviewed EHP criteria and requirements
 - Reviewed 2015 and 2016 HSGP funding spreadsheet (See attached)
 - Updates on Homeland Security for FY17
 - New deadline – proposals due to Holly by January 2
 - Discussion on proposals after January 2 but prior to January 15 deadline
 - Establish an Emergency Management EOC work group – feedback/guidance.
 - Set up a meeting in January
 - Have designees for Emergency Management EOC work group prepared for January SCFCA meeting
- Website
 - Website is up and running
 - Created usernames for designees of each section
- 100 Club
 - Contributions as SCFCA, per agency, or individuals
 - Follow-up e-mail will be provided
- Law Enforcement Communications
 - Chief Lydon provided an update on county-wide radio system coverage being tested within Solano County

Subsections:

- Meeting with Training Chiefs - updates
 - Training Officers meetings are very well attended
 - Several agencies are hosting classes
 - Will send out information to chiefs on Napa classes
 - Preciado requested direction on what departments/employees need
 - EOC Country Drill on Nov 10 – observers welcome
 - New officers in January
 - Mike Brooks from Vallejo is new president
 - Allen Kemp from Cordelia is the new Vice President
 - Chad Azevedo from Vacaville is new Secretary
 - Need direction/support on County Wildland drill in May or June on who will participate and what support there is within the County – CAL Fire would like to assist with drill and participate

New Business:

- Nominations for new Board for 2017
 - Maintaining status quo – unfilled Secretary position
- Ops New Representative
 - Chief Speakman

Brief Updates:

- Solano County Mutual Aid Agreements
 - CAL Fire will not be part of it
 - Chief Wood –
 - Review compensation section 11 on page 5
 - Will send out most recent mutual aid agreements with dates
- Retreat
 - Jan 31 – Feb 2 in Bodega Bay
- IMST Meeting yesterday
 - Chief O'Brien provided an update on the IMST meeting on November 2.

Roundtable:

Fairfield - Velasquez

- No updates

CAL Fire - Johnson

- Down to 6 engines and will have 3 extra engines for fuel reduction
- Only 2 crews covered on the weekends
- DWR is starting flood presentations this year
- Wildland Firefighter academy starting in Williams

Benicia - Chadwick

- No updates

Cal OES - Salvate

- Region 2 meeting Nov 10 at 10:00 in Dublin
- Letter that went out to Op Area Coordinators with reference to wildland training.
- New Deputy Chief Larry Collins

Dixon - Lewis

- No updates

Benicia - Lydon

- CICCS – Fireline EMT and Fireline paramedic issues
- Required to participate in annual overhead training prior to being approved
- Fire Chiefs need to adopt as local requirement – will be on January meeting agenda

Vacaville - Concepcion

- Allen Hartford started as Deputy Chief on the 16th.
- New truck was delayed at Golden State for a couple weeks
- Area Coordinator meeting with all the alternates – next action item is to update contact lists and scheduling meetings with Cal OES and CAL Fire

Cordelia - Martin

- Waterline break in Green Valley

Suisun FPD – O'Brien

- No updates

Solano OES - Ryan

- Continuing to hire dispatchers
- Coastal region for CalOES is moving to Fairfield

Solano OES - Powers

- No updates

Vallejo - McArthur

- No updates

Montezuma - Glantz

- No updates

Vacaville District - Wood

- No updates

Medic Ambulance - Pierson

- 5 new units out in the field
- Region 2 communicable disease outbreak vehicle in service
- Mobile command vehicle is fully operational
- New 3-year National accreditation and ACE accreditation for dispatch center

Rio Vista - Huyssoon

- No updates

Travis - Speakman

- No updates

Fairfield - Merodio

- Met with State Farm and contractors preying on homeowners after incidents
- All departments should be recommending to homeowners to contact insurance company prior to signing anything

Next Meeting: January 5, 2017 – Dixon Fire Department