



SOLANO COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes

Meeting

Date: November 1, 2018
10:00 a.m.

Meeting Called By: Chief Tony Velasquez, President

Location: Benicia Fire Department

Attendees:

Chief Tony Velasquez (Fairfield),
Deputy Chief Matt Luckenbach (Fairfield),
Chief Justin Vincent (Suisun City),
Chief Josh Chadwick (Benicia),
Chief Kris Concepcion (Vacaville),
Chief John Speakman (Travis AFB),
Chief Keith Martin (Cordelia),
Chief Jeff Armstrong (Rio Vista),
Chief Greg Lewis (Dixon),
Chief Howard Wood (Vacaville FPD),
Deputy Chief Mark Sharpe (Vallejo),
Don Ryan, (Solano OES),
Chief Ron Glantz (Montezuma),

Call to Order:

Time: 1000 hours

Introductions:

- Chief Velasquez had everyone introduce themselves.

Presentations:

- Major Randy Hartt, the Solano County Coordinator for the Salvation Army, gave a presentation on emergency disaster services that the Salvation Army provides.

Approval of Minutes: September 6, 2018 – Motion to approve minutes by Chief Concepcion seconded by Chief Martin. All in favor. Minutes Approved.

Treasurer's Report (Concepcion): Motion to approve treasurer's report by Chief Chadwick seconded by Chief Vincent. All in favor. Treasurer's report Approved.

Additions to Agenda:

- Chief Chadwick would like to add Pre-Positioning to the Old Business discussions.

Old Business:

- Mutual Aid Agreement –
- County Rescue Team – Alex Nourot is working to put together an agreement/MOU for agencies to receive grant funds
- Peer Support List – working to put together meeting with labor groups to put together a peer support list and minimum requirements for participants
- Pre-positioning
 - Chief Chadwick asked the Chiefs to consider giving direction to the Area Coordinators to set a trigger point of 1.6 or higher when there is a Red flag warning in the County.
 - Pre-planning – use in-county resources as a priority.
 - The consensus is to try it for a season and re-evaluate if there are issues

New Business:

- Fire Prevention
 - Meeting on December 4 in Fairfield at 9:00am for all the key players in Fire Prevention to get together and share information
- 2019 Chiefs Retreat – February 20-22 at Lake Natoma Inn in Folsom
- Elections
 - President – Chief Tony Velasquez
 - Vice-President – Chief Josh Chadwick
 - Treasurer – Chief Kris Concepcion

Brief Updates:

- Veteran's Day Parade in Fairfield on Sunday, November 11. Requesting 1 unit per agency with the Travis 75th Anniversary decal. Need a list of dignitaries that will be on each unit so that they can be announced at the grandstand.

Roundtable:

Fairfield – Luckenbach

- New training tower is in its final phase

Suisun City - Vincent

- Live fire training burn that went really well

Benicia – Chadwick

- Two Type III's are now in service

Vacaville – Concepcion

- Type I should be in service by January or February
- New Type III has been ordered
- Just finished application process for Explorer program
- Hiring between 9-10 people early next year and will start academy in July

Travis AFB – Speakman

- Just hired a civilian fire inspector who starts this month
- Have had some crucial retirements throughout the base

Cordelia – Martin

- Dec 1 – Open House for 100-year anniversary

Rio Vista – Armstrong

- Type I and Type III are coming by February
- Station RFQ's for new station - \$8 million earmarked for the project

Dixon – Lewis

- Putting 9 internal candidates to backfill vacancies
- Second station discussion is in the works
- 3 Type I's back in service

Vacaville FPD – Wood

- No updates

Vallejo – Sharpe

- Finishing up Engineer's exam today

Solano OES – Ryan

- AT&T has asked for 5 sites for better coverage

Montezuma – Glantz

- Thanked everyone for support in Branscomb fire

Fairfield – Velasquez

- No updates

Next Meeting: January 3, 2019 – Dixon Fire Department