

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

48 Court Street Canton, New York 13617-1169

Fire Advisory Board Meeting Minutes February 26, 2015

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Finnegan at 19:00 with 20 members present.

Present were; Joe Finnegan, Craig LaPlante, Michael LeCuyer, Vinny Ferry, Scott McRobbie, Tom Popham, Travis Dann, Rick Coller, Lonny Scott, Jim Lowery, Kevin Crosby, Robert Kerr, Jeff Hammond, Adrian Bush, George Brouse, Joe Gallagher, Ron Streeter, Augie Weiss, Jerry Wilson, and Mike Ferrell.

Excused were; Dan Basford, Bob Crowe, Frank Burns, and Bob White.

Minutes from the December 18, 2014 meeting were read, M/M by Joe Gallagher to accept, 2nd by Augie Weiss, carried.

Chairman Finnegan introduced Travis Dann, our new BOL Liaison.

Director LeCuyer;

The Radio study is completed and has been sent back, The current system does not meet Public Safety Standards, there will be a meeting with Blue Wing consultants for further information as to where we go from here.

Round 4 of the grant application is in progress for the radio system. We need to talk to the Legislators for support for the upgrade, this will be a cost item. We are installing an EFD System in March and a QA/QI in April.

The Office has received a call about drug incidents in County. We are setting up a Drug Awareness program with the Sheriff's Department sometime in April, there will be more details to come on this.

SP have been asked to provide Meth Lab Training; there will be more to come on this also.

BFIR's; this has not been a good year for getting these done/in, there are a lot of Departments that have not reported them, this reflects on our training hours from OFPC.

HAZ-MAT Team; The Team is still training and there will be a Drill in April - May with Alcoa, the team is 100% operational.

Attendance of FAB Meetings and Appointments; M/M by Kevin Crosby to recommend to the BOL to drop Frank Burns from the FAB due to lack of participation, 2nd by Vinny Ferry, there was discussion on excuses, carried.

M/M by Joe Gallagher to appoint Kevin Durant from the Helena area to replace Frank Burns for the remainder of his term, 2nd by Augie Weiss, carried pending BOL approval.

M/M by Tom Popham to appoint Rick Rusaw 2nd by Joe Gallagher pending BOL approval, carried.

M/M by Vinny Ferry to appoint Art Howie 2nd by Ron Streeter pending BOL approval, carried.

Director LeCuyer is to send a Thank you letter to Al Rickett and Dan Basford for applying.

By-Laws;

Chairman Finnegan would like to appoint a committee to work on the By-Laws, the committee will be; Joe Gallagher, Chair, along with Adrian Bush, and Jeff Hammond.

Mutual Aid Plan;

Chairman Finnegan would like to appoint a committee to review the Mutual Aid Plan, Mike Ferrell, Chair, along with Kevin Crosby, Craig LaPlante, along with the Chief's.

Chairman Finnegan would like to take the Building Safety month which is in May to the BOL for an approval of a Proclamation. M/M by Joe Gallagher that this body support and adopt this and recommend that the BOL adopt this, 2nd by Scott McRobbie, carried.

Training;

Bob Kerr reports that there is not a lot of activity at this time at the Training Center. We are gearing up for the Spring/Summer classes. The final stages of the SOP's/SOG's for the burn facility and classrooms are being worked on. If a Department wants to use the facility they need to go thru the Office with a request of what you want to do in written form.

At this time there is no more business, our next meeting will be on April 21,2015.

M/M by Augie Weiss to adjourn, 2nd by Jerry Wilson, meeting adjourned at 21:15.

Respectively submitted
Craig LaPlante