

CHESTER COUNTY FIRE POLICE ASSOCIATION
Meeting Minutes
May, 2007

Welcomed to Ludwigs Corner Fire Company by their representative, Jim Sauer.

President Joel Gramling called the meeting of the Chester County Fire Police Association to order at 2:02 PM on May 4 2007. Art Daggett gave the invocation. The President led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call of Officers was dispensed with.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the March meeting by Tony Madera, seconded by Dave Wharton. Motion carried. Typed minutes were available for the members. There was a change to New Membership Applications from March – Harry to Terry Baker. Motion was made to approve the minutes by Barb Yagle

Treasurer's Report: Stan Heist reported there was \$1556.81 in the checking account. There are two Certificates of Deposit in the Coatesville Savings Bank which will mature in 2011. A motion was made by Stan that any two members of the officers are needed to transact business at the Coatesville Savings Bank only. Seconded by Dave Wharton. Motion carried.

Directors' Report(s): None.

Fire Police Commissioner's report: Jim Connor reported that the last meeting of the six-county task force was on April 11. They are still gathering names. This project has the support of PEMA and they are getting a C.O.W. – Communications on Wheels, setup with multiple counties' radios.

Executive Board report: None

Committee(s)' reports:

Banquet Committee:

Fire Chiefs' Assn: John Neff reported that radio re-banding is still in negotiations. Bo Clouiding will be giving us an update on the County Fire School.

Motion to pay bills None.

Correspondence: None.

New Membership Applications: None.

Old business: None.

New business:

Dave Wharton from 44 asked for help for the upcoming parade on May 26. He had letters. Asked us to bring our traffic units. There would be judging at Charlie's at 10 am; the parade starts at 1 pm.

Dave also announced he was the new Fire Police Captain for Sadsburyville Fire Company, station 31.

Charlie Lobb reported he had attended meetings with 5000 Supervisors from PA Townships and they had passed eight resolutions to help with fire service retention/recruitment including free license plates and tax reductions. The township Supervisors will be working with the State Representatives to get these passed.

There was a presentation given by Beau Crowding, Director of Fire Services, Chester County Department of Emergency Services. The DES is made up of Office of the Fire Marshall and Fire Services Training.

Beau brought us up to date on the Public Services Training Facility and the 800 radio issues. Beau also mentioned his respect for fire police and thanked us for our service. He also stated that John Weir was encouraging more fire police training and certification.

Our next meeting is September 9.

50/50 winners: There was no drawing.

President Joel Gramling thanked the Host Company. .

A motion was made by Dave Wharton to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Stan Heist. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 2:34 PM. There were 35 members representing 20 stations, and four guests present.

Immediately following the meeting, a "picnic" that was funded by a PECO contribution was held.

Respectfully submitted,
Eileen Amatrudo, Recording Secretary