

Tim Schadt
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Sullivan County Fire Advisory Board

Date: November 28, 2011

Meeting called to order at: 7:30pm

Pledge to the flag was held

Attendance: 11 out of 15 members present

Bethel: Timothy Blais	P
Callicoon: Rick Graham	P
Cochecton: Gary Cochrane	P
Delaware: Tim Hornicek	A
Fallsburg: Bernard Deutsch	A
Forestburgh: Arthur Salomon	P
Fremont: Anthony Wayne	P
Highland: Tim Schadt	A
Liberty: Don Sherwood	P
Lumberland: Charlie Fallon	A
Mamakating: Joe Roe	P
Neversink: Russell Turner	P
Rockland: Michael Juron	P
Thompson: Gary Smith	A
Tusten: Craig Burkle	P

Reading of minutes from previous meeting: Minutes accepted as read.

Coordinators Report:

There will be a meeting next week at the State Fire Academy for the Regional Fire Administrators.

The acting fire administrator has retired and another acting administrator has been appointed.

The OFPC is down about 30% in personnel. This is mainly due to retirement issues.

There is a new database for training records. There will be a new format for us. It will merge different databases, such as fire service and law enforcement.

Dick has been attending meetings all over the State regarding the problems encountered by emergency services during the storms in September. The State is trying to work a plan so that local agencies will be able to get the most current information. The State will work closer with the local counties EOC.

We have used all of our training hours through April 1. There may be some pooled hours available. It can be difficult to find instructors for the courses.

The budget needs to be done. There are 18 districts that have not filed the 2% cap numbers with the State.

Dick will be working on revisions to the Mutual Aid Plan. He will bring it here for approval once he has completed the changes.

The generator for the new classrooms has been ordered. They are working on obtaining a large LP tank. Lines are being run in preparation.

The Fire Investigation Team will be moving records to computer reporting. There are classes coming up for the Wildland Search and Rescue Team. Please remember that the crew bosses in the search really hold everything together and make for an efficient process. Any volunteers wanting to help in a search need to be organized.

The protocols for the Dive Team need to be worked on. Dick attended a HAZ MAT training session in Lake Placid. The session was held at the training facility for the athletes. It was a good session. The building used was impressive, 5 times larger than the field house at SCCC. The National Guard did a presentation. They were very well trained and despite a few problems with local residents they were very professional.

If we are going to successfully compete for HAZ MAT money we need to form a regional group, possibly with Orange and Ulster counties.

Dick gave a rundown on the work that is progressing on adding and upgrading the radio towers. We are waiting for the FCC's approval for our new frequencies.

The 2012 County Parade will be in Rock Hill and the 2013 County Parade will be in Narrowsburg.

The 2011 Injury Report will be ready soon.

Dick wishes everyone a happy and safe holiday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1) **Training Facility:** no report
- 2) **EMS:** no report
Arson: no report
- 3) **Radio:** no report

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Good and Welfare: Tim wishes everyone a happy holiday season and good luck next year.

Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn **Time:** 8:07pm

**Next meeting Monday January 30 at 7:30pm at the
Sullivan County Government Center**

2012 meeting list, all at 7:30pm in the Government Center

January 30

March 26

May 21

July 30

September 24

November 26