

Craig Burkle
Chairman

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Vice Chairman

Mary Ann Drobysh
Secretary

Sullivan County Fire Advisory Board

Date: September 25, 2017

Meeting called to order at: 7:30 pm

Pledge to the flag was held

Attendance: 11 out of 15 members present

Minutes: Accepted as read

Bethel: George Roosevelt P

Callicoon: Jim Doughty P

Cochecton: Jason Knack P

Delaware: Tom Dent P

Fallsburg:

Forestburgh: Zachary Petrowsky P

Fremont: Shane Cruz A

Highland: Philip Deyermond P

Liberty: Carlton Fritz P

Lumberland: Donald Hunt A

Mamakating: Tim Koestler P

Neversink: Don Starner A

Rockland: Michal Juron P

Thompson: Ray Stevens P

Tusten: Craig Burkle P

Minutes from the previous meeting were read and accepted as read.

Coordinators Report:

Alex could not be here, but John updated us on the new radio system. Everyone is up and running and there are few issues that need to be dealt with. Repeaters are being added as well. All departments have received training classes but not everyone is following the correct procedures. Please review with your member departments again. Training Center classes are being cancelled, there are a growing number of people that sign up for classes and then do not show.

There is a new door at the Training Center and the Firefighters Association has provided Officer Warrant Books and they will also be provided new mannequins.

The DEC has offered to collect Class B phones free of charge. John emailed 40 departments but only heard back from 11. John also sent out a survey to 40 departments asking about youth and cadet programs, they have received 20 responses. Departments need to respond to these requests.

County Weekend at the Fire Academy is at the end of October. Only 84 people have signed up, the number keeps declining each year. We may have to combine with another County if the numbers continue on that path.

Information has been sent to all Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs regarding the County Parade.

Committee Reports:

Arson Task Force: None

Radio: Nothing further

Communications: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Jim brought up a problem with EMS talking over the top of firefighters on pagers and on radios in the trucks. John thinks that the way some pagers have been programmed is the problem. John will speak with Alex about this. If the radios are on scan there may be an issue. Jim will check with his department to see how they have the radios programmed. There may be other programming issues with the new radios as well.

Good and Welfare: None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50pm

Next meeting November 27, 2017 at 7:30pm at the Government Center