Craig Burkle Don Starner
Chairman Vice Chairman

Mary Ann Drobysh Secretary

Sullivan County Fire Advisory Board

Date: January 29, 2018

Meeting called to order at: 7:15 pm

Pledge to the flag was held

Elections: Craig and Don were both unanimously reelected

Attendance: 11 out of 14 members present

Minutes: Accepted as read Bethel: George Roosevelt Р Callicoon: Jim Doughty Α Р Cochecton: Jason Knack Р Delaware: Tom Dent Ρ Fallsburg: Harry Barrett Ρ Forestburgh: Zachary Petrowsky Fremont: Shane Cruz Α Р Highland: Philip Devermond Liberty: Carlton Fritz Α Lumberland: Donald Hunt Α Mamakating: Thomas Morrow Р Ρ Neversink: Don Starner Р Rockland: Michal Juron Ρ Thompson: Robbie Green Tusten: Craig Burkle Р

Dan Briggs was here to swear everyone in

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

Coordinators Report:

John wished everyone Happy New Year and welcomed the new members.

There is now a Battalion 6 for the north part of the County. Other battalions will be reconfigured.

Don Hunt, Jr will replace Joe Mellan.

There will be the annual Chief's meeting on Wednesday. Fire Advisory Board members are welcome to attend.

Training is going well, classes are starting to fill up.

There is an issue with departments not responding to emails that are being sent out. These emails need to be responded to. The email sent about the Chiefs meeting still has 13 departments that have not responded.

The Foam Program is now over.

Ulster has asked to join us at our County weekend. There are some concerns about sharing the weekend. We need to increase our numbers if we want to keep it for ourselves.

There are drills and testing being done at Resorts World Catskills.

Alex could not be here tonight, he has been working on the issues with Verizon and text messaging and thinks it has been worked out.

We are waiting on Motorola for pricing and the fixes for the paging issues. The problems are not widespread.

Craig asked about the Battalion changes. John explained that it will improve response times for the deputies.

Robbie Green asked about doing a text or IM to everyone regarding the County weekend. John explained that the information goes out to the Chiefs and they are supposed to communicate with the members of their department. There is a problem with some of the chiefs not caring. John will investigate ways to try and get the information out to everyone.

The County will be taking over IMR. It is in the planning stages now. They are looking at cost factors since not everyone uses it, they do not want to pay for those who don't use it.

Committee Reports:

Arson Task Force: None Radio: Nothing further Communications: None Old Business: None

New Business: Mary Ann was reappointed as secretary

Good and Welfare:

Meeting Adjourned at 7:31

Next meeting March 26 at 7:30pm at the Government Center