**Pierce County Fire Chiefs’ Association**

**Meeting Minutes**

**September 2, 2010**

**Call to Order**

President Reggie Romines called the Pierce County Fire Chiefs’ Association meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. at University Place Fire, Station 31 located at 3631 Drexler Dr. W., University Place, WA. The following were present:

Dexter Habeck, Eatonville FD James Jaques, Milton FD

Jeff Jensen, Tacoma FD Ken Sharp, Lakewood FD

Paul Tinsley, Lakewood FD Jim Sharp, Lakewood FD

Eric Norton, Lakewood FD Bill Barber, Lakewood FD

Mitch Sagers, UPFD Dave Dupille, UPFD

Lloyd Christianson, UPFD Dan Rankin, University Place FD

Bob Black, Gig Harbor FD Eric Watson, Gig Harbor FD

John Burgess, Gig Harbor FD Mike Miller, Gig Harbor FD

Bill Jarmon, Gig Harbor FD Scott Casebolt, Gig Harbor FD

Tom Sutich, Gig Harbor FD Judy Murphy, CPFR

Ed Goodlet, PCFD #8 Andy McAfee, PCFD #14

Tom Lique, Key Peninsula FD Guy Allen, Key Peninsula FD

Chuck West, Key Peninsula FD Bob Vellias,SPFR

Chris Grant, SPFR Reggie Romines, GFR

Tony Judd, GFR Kathy Hale, GFR

Todd Jensen, GFR Steve Richards, GFR

Garry Olson, PCFD #23 Micheal Smith, PCFD #26

Ken Parrish, PCDEM Dic Gribbon, PSCAA

Joe Quinn, Attorney Grant Erb, PCFD #3

Denise Menge, Recorder

**Flag Salute**

Lloyd Christianson led the flag salute.

Mitch Sagers welcomed everyone to University Place, Station31. The merger is progressing nicely and he thanked those who have gone through merges before for their help and assistance. Mitch introduced Commissioners Dan Rankin and Grant Herb.

**Approval of Minutes**

It was moved and seconded to approve the August 5, 2010 minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Kathy Hale reported the account balance is $9,507.00 with $7.687.83 for EMS.

**Correspondence**

President Romines reported everyone should have received correspondence from the Washington Fire Chiefs requesting you to send letters to your representatives in support of the national effort on 800 mghz for fire safety.

**Guest Speaker**

**Lt/PM Casey Hill from Graham Fire & Rescue – Haiti Response:** President Romines introduced Casey Hill, a Lieutenant/Paramedic for Graham Fire & Rescue. He went on a volunteer mission to Haiti after the earthquake. He gave a powerpoint presentation of what they faced on that trip.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Program/Speaker Committee**

No representative present.

**Audit Committee - DORMANT**

**Banquet/Awards Committee**

Nothing to report.

**Nominations Committee- DORMANT**

President Romines stated if there is anyone interested in any of the Executive Board positions to please contact Doug Willis.

**UASI Committee**

Jeff Jensen reported new grants have been announced and the working group has met and they are getting ready to submit proposals.

**Regional Communications Committee**

Nothing to report.

**Code Committee**

No representative present.

**DIVISION REPORTS:**

**EMS**

Judy Murphy reported protocol revisions are in process. The paramedic OTEP has a bank of 500 questions prepared for tests at the end. The MSO’s should have this information.

There is a new recommendation from the CDC regarding TB testing. Pierce County is a very low risk and it is recommended that annual TB skin testing NOT be done if you are in a low risk area. Information on this was sent out yesterday.

There will be a hospital evacuation table top exercise with Good Sam to test the new plan. Please contact Judy if you are interested in participating in this event. It will be held on October 14th from 11:00 to 3:00 and lunch will be served.

It is fair time and on behalf of CPFR and WWF, mugs and fair tickets are available for everyone. The fair starts on Friday.

**MetroTraining**

No representative present.

**Training – TEW Training/Exercise**

No representative present.

**OUTSIDE AGENCY REPORTS:**

**American Red Cross**

No representative present.

**Department of Emergency Management**

Ken Parrish reported on LTE in the future which is the next generation for public safety communications. Seattle is applying for a federal grant and letters of support are required in an effort to get the grant. LTE is similar to wi-max but more expanded. It is written into the plan in the process of the grant application.

We are still waiting for the 2010 Homeland Security Grant. The 45th day was yesterday. The 2011 grant process will soon be starting.

**EMS**

No representative present.

President Romines reported he is sending a letter to the EMS Council for Todd Jensen to be the PCFCA representative and Russ McCallion as his alternate.

**Fire Marshal**

No representative present.

**State Chiefs/Western Chiefs**

Jeff Jensen reported the 305 standard is hot off the press for revisions. November 1st in Tumwater and 3rd in Spokane for hearings. It is 100 pages long. We have been waiting a long time for this. If you are unable to find it, please let him know and he will forward you the link.

The Wellness/Fitness Corp. is working on products to offer.

**PS Clean Air Agency**

Dic Gribbon stated he had nothing to report other than they have a new Executive Director is Craig Kenworthy. Also, Jim Nolan retired and Lori Halverson has replaced him. Outdoor burning in Pierce County is down.

**PC Fire Commissioners**

Bill Jarmon reported their next meeting will be held on September 23rd at PCFD #18 in Orting. He thanked Lakewood Fire for their hospitality for the meeting last Thursday. The PC Auditor gave a presentation on do’s and don’ts.

**Dept. of Natural Resources**

No representative present.

**Unfinished Business**

Nothing at this time.

**New Business**

Nothing at this time.

**Good of the Order**

Jim Sharp reported there will be a Fire Comm meeting following this meeting.

Bob Vellais stated the County Assessor will not have the preliminary AV numbers by August this year. They will be done and out to everyone by September 24th or mid-September at the earliest. Joe Quinn stated he talked to the Deputy Manager yesterday and they are shooting for September 14th and they stated that they have never had them out before the end of August before.

Bob Vellais also reported that their levy passed by 8 votes. He has some concern with regards to the ballot title and the wording of authorizing versus reauthorizing.

Tom Lique announced that Key Peninsula had an 80% success rate and he thanked everyone for all of the support.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

*The next Regular Meeting will be October 7th, 2010 Meeting beginning at 11:30 at Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One located at 10222 Bujacich Rd. NW.*

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