SARATOGA COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

November 27, 2017

7:00 pm

Representatives:

William Crawford T/O Ballston

Aaron Dyer T/O Charlton

Ken Graves (A) T/O Clifton Park

Chuck Pasquarell (E) T/O Corinth

Alex Rockwell (E) T/O Edinburg

Kevin Barkley T/O Galway

Stephanie Burwell T/O Greenfield

Douglas Dutcher (E) T/O Hadley

Art Hunsinger T/O Halfmoon

Joe Plewinski (E) T/O Malta

James Corrigan Jr. (A) C/O Mechanicville

William Lewis T/O Milton

Don Ranck (E) T/O Moreau

Thomas Wood T/O Northumberland

David Houston T/O Providence

Peter Shaw C/O Saratoga Springs

Rick Drew (E) T/O Saratoga

Tom Rinaldi T/O Stillwater

David Gardner T/O Waterford

William Morgan T/O Wilton

Ed Tremblay Emergency Services

Carl Zeilman (E) Emergency Services

Steve Gordon (A) Sheriff’s Office

Stan Delong SCFOA Guest

Les Bonesteel OES Guest

John Cooper OES Guest

Chairman Hunsinger called the meeting to order.

The pledge was said and a moment of silence was observed for fallen brethren.

Guests were welcomed.

On a motion made by Bill Crawford seconded by Stephanie Burwell, October’s meeting minutes were unanimously approved as written.

***Director Information*** – Apps and formats are still being built out on the CAD.

Each department needs to be built out and that will take time to do.

***Fire Coordinator*** *–* State classes:

* BEFO – Eagle Matt Lee – 22 attending
* Engine Company Operations – West Crescent – 11 attending
* Traffic Incident Management Class – November 29 – Galway Fire Station – 43 registered
* I400 – Jonesville – 12/12 – registration is closed

Homeland Security is putting on a daytime Public Information Awareness course - Hillcrest Fire -November 27th and April 10th.

The class B Foam collection went well.

I am waiting on a date for a walk through with the welder for repairs.

I sent out the information for the County Fire Officer’s dinner on December 8th at Panzas Restaurant.

Congratulations to Dave Gardner for “hero of the week”.

***Sheriff’s Department information*** – no new information to report

***Chairman*** – The Convoy of Tots was extremely successful collecting over 22,000 items. Congratulations to everyone.

A trophy was given to the County of Saratoga for the most toys collected.

***Vice Chairman*** – no new information to report

**H*azmat Committee***– We had an instrumentation drill last month and would like to plan quarterly drills, spending a portion of the time on instruments.

We are trying to schedule a tour for the first week of December at Global Foundries.

Kevin stated that videos are available that were taken at the spent nuclear fuel transportation exercise that recently took place at the Mechanicville rail yard.

***Mutual Aid*** – no new information to report

***Personnel Committee*** *–* no new information to report

***Fire Training Center*** – Debris is piling up outside the dumpster, hopefully to be taken care of this week.

I am waiting on DPW for the pump repairs. It is closed down for the winter.

***Legislative Committee –*** This weekend is the Issues of United Concern at the Desmond. A report will come out after this weekend.

Cancer study information was sent out to departments, please get that completed and sent back asap.

Anyone who has cancer is reported to the State Health Department registry and they want to match up volunteer firefighters to that registry.

***Budget Committee*** – no new information to report

***Rehab Committee*** – no new information to report

***Radio Committee***–We have been out and conducted a handful of classes. Everything seems to be going well.

Greenfield has submitted a list of requests, both identifier additions and a few identifier changes for their portables. The request is within guidelines. A motion to accept the request was made by Tom Rinaldi, seconded by Bill Lewis, unanimous.

Remember that portables don’t call in route or at scene.

***Recruitment and Retention*** *–* There is a drive coming up to promote recruitment.

FASNY has another grant to work on recruitment and retention.

Several items will be discussed at next weekend’s meeting with updates to come.

***Guests –*** Les Bonesteel – I would like to express my thanks to zone 2 and zone 3 regarding the recent back to back fatalities in Jonesville and Corinth. A job well done by everyone involved.

Bill Crawford reiterated a thank you to Jonesville and Corinth and their mutual aid companies for a job well done.

Bill Lewis also wanted to thank everyone involved for their assistance during the calls, including Ed Tremblay, Les Bonesteel and Fire Companies; Burnt Hills, Malta Ridge, Round Lake, Harmony Corners, Middle Grove and everyone else involved in the calls for a job well done.

Firefighters did a good rescue in Corinth, thank you.

***Old Business*** – no old business to address.

***New Business*** – no new business to address

***Good and welfare*** – A suggestion was made to suspend December’s FAB meeting until January. Unanimous.

**The next FAB meeting will be Monday January 29, 2018, 7 pm at the Fire Training Center.**

On a motion made by Kevin Barkley seconded by Aaron Dyer, the meeting was adjourned. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Cook

Saratoga County Office of Emergency Services