



Campbell County Fire Commission RUSTBURG, VA

Altavista
Brookneal
Brookville-
Timberlake
Concord
Evington
Gladys
Lyn-Dan Heights
Rustburg

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fire Commission was held on Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at Brookville-Timberlake Volunteer Fire Department.

Members present:

Bill Bigham, Fire Commissioner
Claude Owen, Vice Commissioner
Christin Elliott, Secretary
John Tucker, Altavista VFD
Lee Neal, Altavista VFD
Dean Guthrie, Brookneal VFD
Mike Mays, Brookville-Timberlake VFD
Gerald Mays, Brookville-Timberlake VFD
Kenny Kirby, Concord VFD
Stephen Spraker, Concord VFD
Kirk Pugh, Concord VFD & BWXT
Alan Maddox, Evington VFD
Mike Harper, Evington VFD
Lynn Boteler, Gladys VFD
Mike Watson, Lyn-Dan Heights VFD
Patrick Moody, Lyn-Dan Heights VFD
Edwin Hall, Lynchburg Airport
Ed Fletcher, Rustburg VFD

Others present:

Bill Gillespie, Public Safety
Gerald Inge, Concord VFD
Brian Thurman, VDEM
Ricky Mays, Brookville-Timberlake VFD
Jerry Womack, Brookville-Timberlake VFD
Jason Tanner, Brookville-Timberlake VFD

Commissioner Bigham called the meeting to order with prayer and pledge of allegiance at 7:30 p.m.

- Commissioner Bigham introduced Brian Thurman, VDEM Hazardous Materials Officer. Mr. Thurman stated he is based out of Roanoke and to please call if needed. He also advised to please notify VDEM on any type of HazMat incidents, regardless of size. Mr. Thurman can be reached at (540) 986-6982 or brian.thurman@vdem.virginia.gov.

New Business:

- Altavista and Evington had requested an LP Gas Emergency class that will be funded by Virginia LP Gas Association. This is a 16-hour class and if it is not filled for the classroom portion, it can be opened to other departments. However, the live burn portion of training is full.

Committee Reports:

- Claude Owen will chair the CIP Committee and Jerry Womack assist. Vice Commissioner Owen distributed the Fire CIP Apparatus Replacement Matrix to each Chief regarding the CIP. He would like to schedule a meeting with the Chiefs to discuss how to proceed with the CIP requests. He feels there should be a plan in place regarding replacing the equipment per department even though the funding is still in question due to budget constraints. Kenny Kirby felt there should be a framework along with guidelines. Vice Commission Owen stated five of the eight departments had turned in justification letters and some also included specs. Rustburg, Brookville-Timberlake and Lyn-Dan Heights need to turn their justification in to Vice Commissioner Owen.
- Gerald Inge discussed the scheduled classes and the Commission felt he should go ahead and set up those training dates. A discussion was held on the classes and the cost of classes that would be needed in the County. Mr. Inge stated Fire Programs is not going to continue funding FF I & FF II classes. This will cause a significant increase to the County's training budget. Mr. Inge also stressed the importance of having each class full of students, which will become a requirement for funded classes in 2011. Mr. Inge asked the Chiefs to supply a tentative list of monthly training classes and the name and contact information for each department's Training Officer. He encouraged departments to document training hours and attendance and send to Public Safety for record keeping purposes. Commissioner Bigham suggested having Mr. Inge meet with the training officers and come up with standard documentation for record keeping.
- Commissioner Bigham asked departments if they had a need over and above the \$35,000 to please get the request to him so he can take it before the Public Safety Committee for discussion.

- CCUSA asked departments to please report their water accountability amounts to Public Safety by January 31st.

Old Business:

- Bill Gillespie discussed the ISO rating issue and distributed an excerpted copy of the ISO report Campbell County received. He also stated the County requested an official visit from ISO. Ed Fletcher asked what would it take to get the ISO numbers lowered and were they planning on rating each individual department. Mr. Gillespie stated he would ask those questions.
- Departments were asked to keep in mind that the respiratory program would be handled one department at a time.
- The SOG for radio protocol was discussed. The Commission members also discussed Med Flight coordinates, the importance of following protocol when IC is designated and members needing to know the responsibilities of the ICS.
- There is \$9,098.38 left in the ATL funding. Lyn-Dan Heights VFD requested \$2,000 (not to exceed) toward the purchase of 2 sets of turnout gear.
- John Tucker motioned for Lyn-Dan Heights to receive but not to exceed \$2,000 toward the purchase of two sets of turnout gear. Alan Maddox seconded the motion.
The vote was: Aye- Tucker, Guthrie, Mays, Kirby, Maddox, Boteler and Fletcher.
Nay- None.
Abstain- Watson.
- There is still no word on the grant Evington VFD applied for their station.
- Several departments asked how they should proceed on flow testing air packs. Public Safety staffs advised to have the testing done and send the invoices into Public Safety (\$60 per pack).
- A discussion was held on the amount of foam purchased by the County. The Fire Commission recommended Public Safety purchase A foam instead of B foam at this point.

Department Reports:

Altavista- They have been busy with structure fires and wrecks.

Brookneal- They have been busy with wrecks, field fires and structure fires.

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Brookville-Timberlake- Things have been quiet except for wrecks and mutual aid with Forest.

Concord – They have been quiet and are getting ready to start their fund-raising efforts.

Evington – Quiet.

Gladys - They have had wrecks and structure fires.

Lyn-Dan Heights – They are way above average from last year.

Rustburg – They have run 12-14 calls since the first of January including mutual aid, brush fires and wrecks.

Airport – They have had two calls they have handled in house. The ARF simulator will be back in June.

BWXT- They have been running mainly EMS calls.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on February 17, 2010 at Concord VFD, 7:30 p.m.