

Warren Township Volunteer Fire Department  
Minutes of the January 14, 2015 @ 7:30pm  
Chief Officers' Meeting

Adequate notice of this meeting was given by posting a copy on the Township Bulletin Board and sending a copy to the Township Clerk, Courier News and Echoes Sentinel as required by the Open Public Meeting Act.

Present: Fire Chief Mark Russo, Linda Palumbo

<u>Mt. Bethel Fire Co.</u>	<u>Mt. Horeb Fire Co.</u>	<u>Community Fire Co.</u>	<u>Washington Valley Fire Co.</u>
M. LoSapio	C. Young	B. Gaiser (absent)	C. Boshen
<u>Fire Police</u>	<u>Police Dept.</u>	<u>Twp Liasion</u>	
	Ofc. Cohen	G. DiNardo	J. Mitchell
	S. Schumacher		

### Police Report

- Call at Mountainview, great job to Fire Dept, 300 alarms in 2014, 9 summonses were issued and were all commercial. 18 alarms so far this year and 16 in 2014.
- Joint Juncture School call today and went well.
- DARE program may be going away but currently still teaching.
- Clothing bins are at Washington Valley but they haven't received a check yet.

### Administrative Items

- 2015 Monthly Meeting Schedule, all received a copy.
- Jersey Mike's Subs fundraiser for Fire Dept starting Jan 28th to promote business.
- The Orchard Academy at Camp Harmony opening a preschool & kindergarten program
- Bonfire on Sat, Jan 17<sup>th</sup>, Mt Bethel please arrive at 4pm, starting 5pm-8pm fireworks at 8pm.

### Old Business

- Driver Re-equals, 20 hours of certification behind the wheel per year. Russo will try to locate the actual paperwork and try to make a township policy.
- Reminder: ALL SCBA, equipment checks and Engineer apparatus checks shall be faxed to 908-226-5629 (Twp Adm's fax machine) upon completion

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### **Old Business continued**

- Incentive/Comp plan re-write committee needed (current "point" system to ??)
- CEVO Training from Mt. Horeb on Jan 10, 2015 credit each attendee 5 hours on the Red Alert.
- C. Young will get a quote on Transport Instant Management which includes how to park your vehicle, close a road, etc.

### **New Business**

- Verizon hot spots were distributed to all 4 Assistant Fire Chiefs
- SOP-Response with lights
- Fire Department dinner should be scheduled soon at Primavera (not March 1 per Washington Valley & Rescue Squad dinner is Feb 21st)
- Mt. Horeb's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year

### **Drills/Training**

- Possibly blood borne pathogens training in February at Community. G. Wilson has been training for free and for 10 years.
- Each company can run a department drill

### **Vehicle Maintenance & Apparatus**

- Charlie Boschen volunteered to take over as the vehicle liaison to Doug Buro.
- Washington Valley ladder truck is going out for service on Mon, Jan 19<sup>th</sup>, The police dispatcher will remind Fire Dept that it's going out and will alert when it comes back.
- Squad 61 driver side mirror is not there and leaking green fluids.
- Linda will email vehicle report to 4 Assistant Chiefs once complete.
- The winch is still busted in Engine 141.
- Double check quote for the kobada from G. Cooney.

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**Fire Prevention**

Need a volunteer for the schools fire prevention and supplies.

**Fire Police**

**Radios/Communications**

- County has WV radio for tanker and the other tanker too

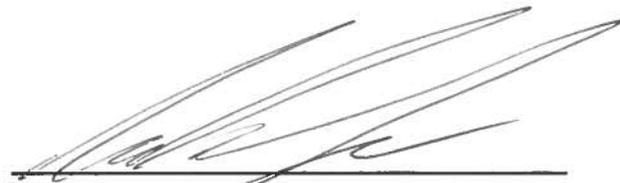
**Open Discussion**

- Gas meters: carbon dioxide going off at a resident's house and previously only had 1 gas meter at each firehouse. In 2014, the Fire Dept. purchased 20 new gas meters and distributed to high responders. The new gas meters are more effective and precise.
- Police don't have gas meters since they don't have SCBA apparatus. LoSapio recommended educating residents on carbon dioxide detectors to reduce calls.
- Remind Jr Fire members to slow down on the roads.
- Mt. Bethel needs new member packets
- Jr. members going to fire school since they have a provisional license (can't have more than 1 passenger in the car). Possibly a township letter in the van so they are covered stating "traveling to fire school". Cohen stated the law.

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Chief Mark Russo