

Warren Township Volunteer Fire Department  
August 7, 2019 Minutes  
Chief's 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: Chief Mitchell & 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. Russo & B. Burkhardt	D. Dante	A. Kachidurian	M. Dalton & C. Boschen

Police Dept

J. Cohen & Steve

**Police Report:** If the FD sees any safety issues on scene, please don't hesitate to address them such as moving a vehicle. Great job on the highway with the recent accidents. PD is requesting a FD apparatus on October 5 from 11-5pm for the Food Truck Festival at the Elks.

### Reports of Officers

#### Equipment Readiness (Ben Gaiser)

Company Equipment Checks (air pack leaks and issues): emailed to Megan

Consumables: Streamlight, LED conversions are available.

Equipment Inventory / Asset Tagging (progress report): emailed sent to each company, please complete your inventory. Chief Mitchell has the additional equipment asset tags.

#### Drills / Training (Aram Kachidurian / Derek Reedman)

Driver Qualification Status: All companies should review and send status

CPR: contact D. Reedman if needed

Fit Testing (and Train the Trainer progress)

Department Drill: Morris Jointure walk through on August 28. Chief Mitchell would like a Fire Police course for DEP in December or January if possible.

#### Operations (Mark Russo) 40 calls for July but they are incomplete in Red Alert

Still getting complaints of members closing calls within a few hours & agreed upon 72 hours.

Some members are closing the call within a few hours because the command officer and only

A few members show up and they don't want members getting credit if they weren't on the call.

Chief Mitchell will review it and report back.

Thank you to the Mt. Bethel crew for going to Bound Brook.

Cars and Cutting at Absolute Junkyard if anyone would to attend, Community, Mt. Bethel &

Watchung are sending some members which runs from 8:30am until noon Sat, August 10.

Please let AC Russo know by this Friday.

The following members have a County FD ID: A. Childers, B. Burkhardt, L. Citarella,

K. Dalton, J. DeVizio, A. Fitch, A. Kachidurian, R. Kropp, K. Larson, F. Levine,

J. Mitchell, T. Reina, D. Reedman, E. Reedman, M. Russo, V. Truglio, A. Zimmer

Vehicle response for July: 41 calls and 356 for YTD

Engine 2 - 3 calls with 0 crew

Tower 61 - 0 call with 0 crew

Engine 3 - 14 calls with 3 crew

Tanker 61-3 - 0 calls with 0 crew

Engine 4 - 6 calls with 2 crew

Tanker 61-4 0 call with 0 crew

Ladder 61 - 23 calls with 7 crew

Rescue 61- 14 calls with 5 crew

**Vehicle Maintenance (Charlie Boschen)**

WV Tanker, Community & Engine 4 are back in service.  
Community Tanker piston opens & the shoot rusted off.  
WV received their knox box codes.  
Engine 3 has an open door alarm going off & other issues taken care of.

**Fire Prevention Education / Public Events (Dave Dante)**

Hydrant Status Report: electronic has reflectives on them  
Fire Prevention Planning: received supply inventory

**Fire Inspector / Fire Prevention (Al Shjarback):** 8 Mountain Blvd and also above Smoothie King are remodeling.

**Radios / Communications (Brian Burkhardt)**

Battery Status: HT 1,000 few extras  
Radio Inventory: delivered to companies. WV requested a list of channels in a bigger font.  
Radio survey: no report  
Pager Survey: B. Burkhardt will find out if there any pager charging stations

**Safety (Mike Dalton)**

Traffic safety policy review: in progress  
Rehab trailer: AC Dalton will coordinate a meeting with the other AC this year  
Overhaul meters: no report  
Cancer Prevention: no report

**Chief Items**

Apparatus Replacement: no news  
Radio Replacement: 6 APX radios planned for next year  
Preplanning: no report  
Technical Rescue: operational in a month on ice rescue capability. Due to a generous donation from Glaxo Smith Klein, it paid for the suits & trained members.  
Purchasing: SCBA & turnout gear distributed. Helmets, hoods, gloves are pending.  
G. Conney is working on getting a quote for a gear washer for Mt. Horeb.  
There was a brief discussion on public relations since a local FD posts alarm time delay then posts on Facebook so the public becomes aware of the FD activity.

Meeting adjourned by 8:07pm

  
Linda Palumbo

  
Chief Mitchell