

Capitol Region Fire Chiefs Association  
ESF-4  
November 17 2011

**Next Meeting: Newington Fire Department 1485 Main Street**

Meeting called to order at 1900h

**Attendance:** T. Lapierre, W. Perez, G. Ruggiero, J. Farr, B. Riley, B. Guzman, R. Giansanti, L. Skilton, B. Rykowski, M. Varney, B. Austin, B.Regina, D. Lockwood, F. Papa, T. Arcari, A. Ruggiero

**Public Comment:** None

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Motion made and seconded Austin/Riley to accept as presented, motion passed.

**Treasurers Report:** Checking account: \$612.67 Savings account \$ 2504.46 CD \$5297.02 Combined total \$8414.15 Motion made and seconded Papa/Regina to accept, motion passed.

**Old Business:** Fire Captain system: HFD coming on board shortly, there will be a meeting in late Dec. or January to work on a subcommittee for pre-plans. W. Perez has a tablet that has been set up for demonstration that will run the fire captain program. All are encouraged to look at it and try it out.

Joint meeting with HCFEP: The meeting is scheduled for March 21st to be held at the CFA. Will Perez would like to see some refreshments at this meeting, and has approached the staff at the academy. More information to follow

**New Business:** CREPC meeting update: No report.

Duty officer meeting: we have scheduled the six duty officers, 2 per week. The schedule is on our web site.

Operation Threat 4 table top: There will be an after action report on December 13, 2011 at the Monastery in W.H.

Communication Vehicle: Region will be getting one per M. Varney. He explained the vehicle and that they were working out the plans on expectations for the towns if they were to receive the vehicle. He said that towns would be able to express interest bids for housing the vehicle.

Future meetings: a schedule has been worked out as follows:

January 19th: South Windsor

February 16th: Hartford Fire Department

March 21st:CFA

April 19th: East Hartford

May 17th: Ellington Fire Department

June 21st: Hook and Ladder

July 19th:

August: No meeting

Sept 20th: Windsor Locks

October 18th: Bloomfield Center

November 15th: Broad Brook

December 20th: Newington Fire Department

Associate membership: By-law review committee to look into, members are Austin/Papa.

**Good of organization:** Perez: East Hartford is moving into new station this coming week.

New fire truck has been ordered.

CERT teams were used at the East Hartford shelter and they worked out great.

Lapierre: Information passed to membership on volunteer recruitment/retention meetings from Chief Flynn.

Austin: W.H. hit hard from storm, they had a fatal fire and two additional fires. They too used CERT teams at shelters.

CROG has set up a meeting with Mayors and City Managers.

Varney: Had many of same storm related issues as other communities. The tanker strike team was used at the Broad brook fire, and another fire at same time, and the area was down to only one tanker.

State Fire Chiefs along with the Red Cross and UTC, were able to get 5000 CO detectors during the storm.

State E.O.C. was in operation for 16 days.

IAFC and State Chiefs are working together on interstate mutual aid policy.

Skilton: Their shelter at the H.S. was run on a fuel cell, and worked out great. He strongly urged all communities to research fuel cells if they were planning on emergency generator purchase.

Guzman: Their E.O.C. was also opened and they responded to approximately 400 calls.

Riley: Had 1 CO related death due to generator use, and it could have been 4 more .

The task force drill with Avon went very well.

Ruggiero: There are 3 classes coming up on running an E.O.C.  
Ct. Fire Chiefs are trying to get e-mail list established with contact information.

**Motion to adjourn:** Austin/Rykowski at 2130

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Respectfully submitted:  
Thomas Lapierre  
CRFCA Secretary/Treasurer