

Capitol Region Fire Chiefs Association

ESF-4

April 21, 2011 Minutes

Next Meeting: May 19th, 2011 East Hartford Fire Department

Meeting called to order at 1900h

Attendance: T. Lapierre, W. Perez, Thomas Arcari, David Lockwood, James Barton, Jack Farr, Richard Giansanti, Frank Papa, Tom Gill, Chris Schroeder, Bill Perkins, Davis Koscuk, Michael Varney, Bill Austin.

Public Comment: None

Minutes of previous meeting: Motion to accept as presented Barton, second Papa, all in favor.

Treasurers Report: Checking account: \$1787.62 Savings account \$ 2328.58 CD \$5285.39 Combined total \$9401.59 Motion made and

seconded Perez/Giansanti to accept, motion passed.

Old Business: DEMHS Council report distributed to all from April 14th meeting.

Salamander accountability system: Bill Perkins guest speaker on this topic. Bill has sent e-mails to all in Capitol Region regarding the salamander system. The questionnaire is being used to locate the equipment because he has the update software but will not just send it to departments. Other question was does this body want to continue with this system or go another direction? The body does not want to stop with this but to continue moving forward. Suggestion was made to start using the system for attendance at drills and events in area departments, just to get familiar with equipment. We need to get training from Higgins and Bill stated that a train the trainer program was being developed and the thought is to have at least 1 person from each of the Task Forces receive this training. The only question that remains is funding. Bill Austin spoke on this issue and stated that each community can form citizen corps groups with their focus in the areas of support for the tracking and accountability systems. If there is interest CROG can secure the funding for appropriate training.

Dave Kosciuk, from NBEMS spoke on the patient tracking piece of the salamander system and provided a handout to all.

New Business: Fire Captain Operational update given by Will Perez. Will stated we are moving forward with a few more communities coming on board. Some of the troublesome spots are still with I.T. issues

as far as sharing informational data between towns and getting the software in place for the CAD to interface with the Captain system.

Copy of training reimbursement policy was distributed to all.

Portable command boards: about 3000.00 each, tabled for more information.

Good of organization: Giansanti: May 1st open house for station 3 1230h-1530h.

Mike Varney: gave update on UCONN spring break

Motion to adjourn: Austin/Gold motion approved at 2030h

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Future meetings: June Hook and Ladder, July 21st Bloomfield FD, August NO MEETING. September 15th, November 17th and December 15th

Respectfully submitted:

Thomas Lapierre

CRFCA Secretary/Treasurer