

**Capitol Region Fire Chiefs Association (CRFCA)**  
**ESF-4**  
**June 19, 2008 Minutes**

**Location:** Hook & Ladder Restaurant

**Convene:** Called to order at 6:40pm by President William Austin

**Attendance:** William Austin (WHFD), Douglas Whalen (Bradley Int'l Airport FD), Frank Papa (NFD), Tom Gill (NFD), Jack Farr (RHFD), Jim Bellamo (CFD), Mike Boucher (BFD), Gordie Harris (WFD), James Barton (WPFD), Art Gold (BHFD), Richard Giansanti (SWFD), Bill Riley (BFD), Roger Nelson (BFD), David Celapinski (East Farmington ), Carmine Centrella (CRCOG), Dan Scace (CRCOG), Skilton, (SWFD), Ruggerio (WLFD), Perez (EHFD), Silver (EHFD), Westman (EHFD), Lapierre(NFD), DiPace (AFD), Boucher (BFD), Varney (EFD), Assis (CRCOG) & Schroeder (NFD).

**Public Participation-** none

**Minutes of last meeting:** May 22<sup>nd</sup> minutes were approved (Celapinski/Riley) *approved*.

**Treasurers Report:** Checking account: \$3,458.48, Savings account \$1,467.20 and 6-month CD \$5,011.92. Motion to accept report (Varney/Perez). Approved.

**Guest Speakers:**

The owner of the Hook & Ladder welcomed everyone to the restaurant.

If there is any department pictures that you would like to donate to the Hook & Ladder bring them down and they will try to post them on the walls around the restaurant.

There is also a 20% discount to all firefighter/EMS/PD for dinners. On Wednesdays there is a special, 50% off dinner if you show your ID.

**Old Business:**

DEMHS coordinating council report for 6-12-08 was presented at the meeting by Chief Austin

CAPTAIN MDT system- Chief Perez stated the system is "in progress".

Regional Hassam class was a great success 25 people were certified and we had to turn away approx 6-8 people due to a full roster.

IMT CLASS- the 6-day AHIMT class on June 9-14 at the CT Air National Guard facility was a great success. 32 members completed the course and 30 members volunteered to be on the capitol Region IMT team. Chief Austin will be putting together the IMT program outline in future meetings.

UASI grant update- the grant has been submitted nothing to report. The final request went in at \$16,242,000.00. CRCOG is looking for a reply around late July early August.

### **New Business**

Hazmat IQ class- the Hazmat IQ class on June 26,27,28 is full on the 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> but there are still openings for the 28<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Karen Stewartson at 522-2217 X10 to be put on the list. \*\* This class and the previous IQ class can get backfill & volunteer reimbursement at \$200.00 per day. Please submit your completed information to Kristin Dean.

AD HOC nominating committee for 2008- Jack Farr volunteered to be the nominating committee and submitted the slate of Officers; William Austin- President, Willie Perez- Vice President and Doug Whalen -Secretary/ Treasurer. A request was sent out to everyone in attendance if there were any other nominations . A motion was made by Mike Varney seconded by Jim Barton to close the nominations and have the secretary cast 1 ballot for the nominated slate. The motion passed unanimous.

Task Force discussion- Chief Perez discussed the task force and Pumper strike teams within each task force. He asked every task force leader to review the SOP and place the pumper strike team SOP with the task force SOP to make it easier on the responding agencies. The Aerial, Rescue and tender strike teams will be done on a separate SOP since we will be combining some task forces together for these specialized strike teams.

There was a motion to set the CRFCA dues for the 2008/2009 year at \$50.00. (Varney/Gold), the motion was approved unanimous.

Future meetings - The July meeting is scheduled at Blue Hills Fire Department, August -NO MEETING-, September is South Windsor.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05pm

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Whalen

CRFCA Secretary/Treasurer