



Trinity County Fire Chief's Association

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MEETING MINUTES

January 9, 2012

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Martin Dooly at 1901 hours.

Personnel in Attendance:

Jerry Hlavac	HYF	Joe Hernandez	SHU
Tim Spiersch	PMT	Carol Minor	HYM
Frank Moore	HYM	Brain Craig	ZEN
Ellen Craig	ZEN	Justin Kerwick	JCF
Tony Valls	CCV	Rusty Mauk	CCV
Jayne Bayley	TCSO	Larry Masterman	TC OES
Elena Letton	DOU	Dan Pulizzano	LEW
Rob Barcellona	TCLS	Kara Davis	Nor-Cal EMS
Corky Kimbel	TCLS	Scott Alvord	WEA
David Murphy	SLV	Martin Dooly	DRV
David Loeffler	HYF	Andy Reiling	SHU

Approval of Minutes:

M/S/C to approve the December 5, 2011 minutes as submitted.

Board of Directors Appointment: (Martin Dooly)

Association By-Laws require no action to have the immediate past president as an Association Board of Director.

President Dooly Goals:

- Make more training available to the departments. Discussion: While training opportunities are increasing there are personnel signing up for classes then opting out on the class. When grant classes are brought into the County it is necessary to have the classes full. The recent S-212 class is a prime example. Class was limited to 25 students. A waiting list was created. The day of the class 18 students showed up. The students on the waiting list did not have time to change their schedule at the last minute. Ways to hold personnel accountable were brought forward. Ideas include having the chief of the department hand select trainees; departments could pay a fee for students in the class, refundable after the student attended the class. The fee option would need parameters for excused absents.
- Form a Training Committee. Discussion: Committee would be used to solicit additional grant funding for training in addition to coordinating county wide training. Personnel that

volunteered to be on the committee: Corky Kimbel, Larry Masterman, David Loeffler, Scott Alvord, Frank Moore.

- Clean-up contact list(s). A 2009 Association member roster was past around to be updated. Chief Dooly requested a second contact is needed for each department. Chief not at the meeting can submit their updates to the secretary or Chief Dooly.

Work Compensation: (Martin Dooly)

There is \$25,000.00 available for work Compensation reimbursement for the 14 departments. This equates to \$1785.00 for each department. Last year one of the departments did not request their full amount. If this is the case for this year please inform the county so the apportionment can be recalculated for the other departments.

May Muster: (David Loeffler)

A Firemen Muster is being scheduled for May 19th in Hayfork. Events will include a bucket brigade, hose lays, and Eureka City Fire will demonstrate the 1905 Pacific Steam Pumper. The goal is to have the grand opening of the new station during the Muster (construction delays may prevent this from occurring). Send David Loeffler an e-mail chief@hayforkfire.org if your department would like to participate.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Communications: Alvord/Dooly

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the fire departments and the county was moving forward. With changes in the County Administrator Office the MOU and the Request for Proposal (RFP) for maintenance on the repeaters and console seems to have stagnated. The narrow band transition scheduled in May is dependant on the RFP being in place.

Hayfork repeater site: Some repairs have been made. The Command Net antenna was down and the coax cable had water in it. Hayfork and Down River will complete some testing this week. Chief Loeffler expressed his gratitude that the repeater is working.

Jayne Bayley is the contact for radio issues between the Sheriffs Department and the Repeater.

Radio problems within the above area can be submitted to Jayme via her e-mail

jbayley@trinitycounty.org **Limit the personnel contacting Jayme to on person per**

department. Jayme requested a count on how many departments would need programming by radio technician the day the county switches to narrow band. This information is needed to develop a cost estimate. The secretary will send out a survey asking the departments for the information required.

Test Pages: The pages are a one way test. The dispatcher has no idea if the test is working. Test paging is scheduled to occur on Sunday between 4:00pm and 6:00pm. If your department does not receive a page e-mail Jayme (e-mail address above) and she will contact the dispatcher to determine why the pager did not activate. For the first two weeks of tests, she would like to know if the pager activated. **Only one person per department needs to make contact.**

Frank Moore: Nor-Cal EMS protocols require that the Medic unit be able to contact the base hospital for certain procedures and events (for BLS that would be Haz-mat and MCI's). The current Medical radio system does not allow for this to occur in some parts of Trinity County. Once the Request for Proposal is completed a discussion can take place to assess options to increase the coverage area of the Medical radio system.

Larry Masterman: Reverse 911 back in operation. The yearly costs for phone lines for the current system are approximately \$5000.00. There is a web base system that is available. County personnel will be assessing whether this system is compatible with Trinity County.

Decontamination Team: (Scott Alvord)

- Committee had a conference call and went over the decon info forwarded by the secretary.
- There have been 3 Decon First Responder classes in the county since 2003. We have records of the first and third class and FC Johnson is contacting the instructor for the second class roster. The first class had members from the county. Contact has been made with Rick Tippet to determine if county personnel will be on the team. Once the list of trained personnel is obtained refresher training will occur in the spring.
- An inventory will need to be completed. That inventory will identify what items need to be replaced.
- It appears a 20' trailer would be the most appropriate way to transport the equipment.
- The breathing apparatus assigned to the decon team are old and out of date. Members would need to bring their breathing apparatus from their own department. The member would be more familiar with the breathing apparatus and additional fit testing would not have to occur.
- In order to contact the members of the Decon team it was suggested that a separate pager tone be used. A single point of contact will need to be selected. Currently the plan has members contacting dispatch. It is the belief of the committee that dispatch would be busy if the Decon Team was activated and another contact point would be needed.

Treasurer's Report:

There is \$4793.46 in the checking account. Thank you to those that have paid their dues.

CAL FIRE: (Joe Hernandez)

- With the lack of rain, the fuels are drying out.
- Awaiting how budget will affect CAL FIRE

Trinity County Sheriffs Office:

Jayne Bayley: Requesting departments send in a roster so if the radio system is inoperable dispatchers have a way to contact department personnel. Chief Dooly will send out a spread sheet to the departments for the information.

- Larry Masterman: The hospital was awarded a \$50,000.00 grant for a transportation van. This could assist during an MCI
- The Governors budget proposal would restructure CAL EMA. CAL EMA would work directly for the governor. California Specialized Training Institute (CSTI) would close and the campus would be split, one to the North and one to the South.
- Training March 7th Surviving on Shaky Ground at the Performing Art Center.
- Training Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) for 30 people in March. Class is \$110.00 per student. Larry is trying to get costs deferred so that student will not have to pay.

CALEMA Op Area: (Scott Alvord)

- Appreciation cards are out. Margie needs updated rosters to print the cards
- Emergency response information for CAL EMA will be sent out via e-mail to the departments. Please make any corrections and return
- CAL EMA conference call this month. Will have a report at the next meeting

- Captain's Academy to start on Feb 16. Course outline handed out. Class size is limited to 20 students and students have to be sponsored by their department chief.
- California State Firefighter Association is put on administrative training for the firefighting driving endorsement. Closest class to date is Los Banos

TCLS: (Rob Barcellona)

- TCLS has reorganized. Kathy Ratliff is in charge of Administration and will have limited Life Support coverage. Rob Barcellona will assume Operations. Corky Kimbel will be the Clinical Coordinator which oversees training
- TCLS meeting at the Roderick Center in Hayfork on January 26th at 1230
- TCLS web site available at tcls.org
- Rob and Corky will be attending tactical medical training. This will allow them to work closer with law enforcement

Nor Cal EMS: Kara Davis

- Trinity Center has meet the criteria to be an ALS Unit
- Kara's Corner has been added to the Nor Cal EMS web site. This is where she will link articles of interest
- Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) deaths tend to be more prevalent during the winter months. Apparent Life Threatening Event (ALTE) has some of the beginning traits of SIDS. The infant will be blue and not breathing but then the infant will start breathing with ALTE. SIDS is fatal. Policy is to start CPR on the infant unless rigor mortise or lividity is present.
- North State Pre Hospital Conference April 28th
- Butte has had an out break of the Noro virus. It last about 48 hours with flu like symptoms

Open discussion:

Meeting Time: Martin Dooly

The next meeting will start at one hour earlier at 6:00pm

Items have been stolen form both of Junction City's Stations. Things that can be done to assist law enforcement:

- Have a list with make , model, and serial number of equipment
- Etch identifying marks on equipment

Cal Trans Letter (Scott Alvord)

A letter was received from Cal Trans that outlines the proper procedure for navigating through a construction zone (see attached)

Next meeting

February 6, 2012

Adjourned

2100 hours

Andy Reiling

Secretary-Treasurer