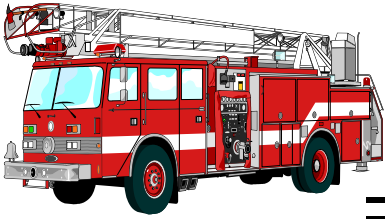


Trinity County Fire Chief's Association

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MEETING MINUTES

October 3, 2011

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Dave Loeffler at 1900 hours.

Personnel in Attendance:

Dave Loeffler	HYF	Flavia Dexheimer	JCF
Bill Britton	WEA	Scott Alvord	WEA
Mel Deardorff	LEW	Elena Letton	DOU
Rob Barcellona	TCLS	Kathy Ratliff	TCLS
Larry Masterman	TC OES	Kara Davis	Nor Cal EMS
Scott Wood	CAL FIRE	Andy Reiling	CAL FIRE
Stew Richter	USFS	Frank Moore	HYP
Jack Braham	SOT	Travis Harrel	SOT
Joe Hernandez	CAL FIRE	Rick Tippet	TC DOT
Jerry Hlavac	HYF		
Dave Rhodes	Concerned Citizens TC		

Approval of Minutes:

M/S/C to approve the September Association minutes as submitted.

Surplus County Equipment: (Rick Tippet)

The County is in the process reducing its current fleet of vehicles. Public entities in Trinity County will have the first chance of purchasing the equipment at 25% off list price on a first come first serve bases starting some time in late fall. In addition there are some tires, miscellaneous hand held equipment, and parts available. If you have questions contact Scott McAllister at the corporation yard 623-1365.

Snow removal: Roads will need to be prioritized for snow removal. Funding levels continue to drop for the County Department of Transportation.

Standard Operating Procedures: (Scott Alvord)

The roadway guideline was presented with the suggested changes from last meeting. The suggested changes for this meeting are to have personnel safety before general safety, have footer with each guideline, and include revision date.

Communications: (Scott Alvord)

Valley Communication evaluation of the system was completed and all fire net repeaters are narrow band programmable on site. In addition items needing repair and upgraded were brought to the attention of the Communications Committee. A funding source will need to be located to have the repairs made. In the past the Sheriffs Department or Department of Transportation was

tasked to fund the repairs. Budget reductions have eliminated any discretionary funding the departments may have had in the past.

The number of purchased SwissPhone pagers were lowered to meet the amount of funding in the grant (pager/radios purchased did not change).

Only key to the Ironsides vault is with the Sheriffs Office.

Kenwood Hand Held Radio Loads: (Frank Moore)

Frank is currently working through 4 different radio frequency lists and attempting to develop one list for the 128 channel radio pager. The functions on the radio allow for programming different set-ups.

Concerned Citizens of Trinity County for Responsible Fire Management: (Dave Rhodes)

There are 7 local Area Advisors nominated by the sheriff and approved by the Board of Supervisors that work with fire management teams to assist the county during large wildland fires. Area Advisors are there to talk with people on the ground, to document events, and provide fire history. Area Advisors can work with local fire chiefs to assist in communicating concerns with the incident management teams. The Association will need to add a guideline to delineate the working relationship with the Area Advisors.

Treasurer's Report:

There is \$1960.46 in the checking account. Scott Alvord will contact Howard Freeman concerning the \$2833.00 raised by Tops Market to ensure the check is not lost. (Secretary's note: check has been received).

CAL FIRE: (Joe Hernandez)

- October 10th down to one engine per station
- No effect on prisoner realignment yet. Anticipate effect will begin next spring.
- Strike team of crews and engines in Southern California
- Secretary's Note: CAL FIRE stations will be down staffed Monday October 17th. Battalion Chief's Wood and Reiling will still be working out of the Weaverville Station as scheduling allows. Fire Captain Johnson will be working out of the Weaverville Station after October 30th

USFS: (Stew Richter)

- 7 day effective until Oct 23rd
- Fire restrictions lifted on the forest

CALEMA Op Area: (Scott Alvord)

- BLM training funding has been reduced. Next training cycle Trinity County will have a NIMS 200 and I-131 class. Class will be January 6-8
- Live fire training being schedule for March. Class cadre is requesting the class be held in one location for two day instead of two locations in two days.
- S-212 class is full. Starts November 3rd.
- Propane Class Oct 8th 0900
- Prevention message sent to the Journal

TCLS: (Kathy Ratliff)

- October 12th King Airway training

- October 15th EMS Expo
- Reach for Life was cancel and will be re-scheduled
- BLS Pediatric Education for Pre-hospital Professionals (PEPP) December 3rd and 4th.

Trinity County OES: (Larry Masterman)

- No candidates have step forward for the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) train the trainer class. The class is grant funded, cover lodging and transportation.
- The next Homeland Security grant cycle is being discussed. For the fire departments Communication upgrade, First Responder training, Command training , and Live Fire training are on the list.
- The decon equipment is being transferred to storage. The current vehicle used for decon is out of service with no funds to repair the vehicle.
- Table top exercise Oct 26th at Keswick Dam 0830 to 1200. This is in conjunction with the Bureau of Reclamation which is required to have a drill every 3 years.

Nor Cal EMS: (EMS)

- 1st annual Trauma symposium November 1st in New Orleans
- National emergency Nurses week Oct 9th -15th

Open discussion:

- EVOC Course at sponsored by Hayfork Fire October 28th-30th. Space for 10 people with no charge (certification will cost \$25.00 for those needing the certification).
- Next month nomination of officers.

Next meeting November 7, 2011

Adjourned 2053

Andy Reiling
Secretary-Treasurer