

Craig Burkle  
Chairman

Don Starner  
Vice Chairman  
**Sullivan County Fire Advisory Board**

Mary Ann Drobysch  
Secretary

**Date:** November 27, 2017

**Meeting called to order at:** 7:30 pm

**Pledge to the flag was held**

**Attendance:** 10 out of 14 members present

**Minutes:** Accepted as read

Bethel: George Roosevelt

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Callicoon: Jim Doughty

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Cochection: Jason Knack

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Delaware: Tom Dent

P

Fallsburg:

Forestburgh: Zachary Petrowsky

P

Fremont: Shane Cruz

P

Highland: Philip Deyermond

P

Liberty: Carlton Fritz

P

Lumberland: Donald Hunt

P

Mamakating: Tim Koestler

A

Neversink: Don Starner

P

Rockland: Michal Juron

A

Thompson: Ray Stevens

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Tusten: Craig Burkle

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Minutes from the previous meeting were read and accepted as read.

### **Coordinators Report:**

If there are any changes within fire departments due to elections, please give the deputy coordinator the names and contact information.

There are several planned improvements and repairs for the Training Center for the remainder of this year and next year.

There were 74 people that attended the County Weekend at the State Training Center. The training went well and we have been assured that we will have our own weekend again next year.

Please make sure your departments send in the Training Class Survey.

The DEC is still doing the Class B phone pickup.

The County Legislature passed a unanimous resolution to help firefighters and ems workers using tax breaks. It was sent to New York State.

EMS held a forum in effort to improve membership. They are going to run incentives to increase membership.

Joe Mellan has retired, his position will be filled soon

We have a new Commissioner of Public Safety, Rick Sauer. He was at our meeting and wants everyone to know he has an open-door policy. If you have any issues you can speak with him. The County is in the process of building out a new office for him.

Fire Investigators have recently completed a 2-week course. There will be 2 more courses in beginning in March, over 8 weekends.

Alex was also at the meeting to discuss some of the issues with the new radio system. He feels that a most of the problems have to do with too many channels being scanned at any given time. It may be okay to do that at home but when you are on a scene you should turn off the multiple scanning and be on the channel you need to be on. Please check with your departments and Alex will check with them as well. Don let us know that his department was discussing this at their meeting tonight.

Paging is being worked on, they are waiting on some prices for improvements.

The 2018 CAD upgrade will be happening soon. There will be some new features with the upgrade.

**Committee Reports:**

Arson Task Force: None

Radio: Nothing further

Communications: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

**Good and Welfare:**

Please make sure your appointments forms get sent in.

Everyone have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:45**

**Next meeting January 29th at 7:00pm at the Government Center**

**2018 meeting dates, all at 7:30 at the Government Center  
unless otherwise notified**

**January 29**

**March 26**

**May 21**

**July 30**

**September 24**

**November 26**