

Craig Burkle
Chairman

Don Starner
Vice Chairman
Sullivan County Fire Advisory Board

Mary Ann Drobysch
Secretary

Date: March 25, 2019

Meeting called to order at: 7:30 pm

Pledge to the flag was held

Attendance: 12 out of 15 members present

Minutes: Accepted as read

Bethel: George Roosevelt	P
Callicoon: Jim Doughty	A
Cochecton: Jason Knack	P
Delaware: Tom Dent	P
Fallsburg: Harry Barrett	P
Forestburgh: Zachary Petrowsky	P
Fremont: Shane Cruz	A
Highland: Philip Deyermond	P
Liberty: Carlton Fritz	P
Lumberland: David Hook	P
Mamakating: Thomas Morrow	P
Neversink: Don Starner	A
Rockland: Chris Tuleweit	P
Thompson: Robbie Green	P
Tusten: Craig Burkle	P

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

Coordinators Report:

John gave the end of the year report for 2018.

We will need to review and update the County Mutual Aid Plan this year.

Fire reporting for 2017 was 100%, 2018 is still missing several departments, John has been in contact with those departments still missing reports. They need to be done ASAP.

September 28th will be the Chiefs Conference at SCCC. It will be a half day program.

John sent an email our regarding the April Chiefs meeting.

Plans are being discussed for Bethel woods and the summer visitors.

The Facebook page has a new posting every Monday. The burn ban posting has been viewed over 10,000 times.

We have completed 39 State courses for 769 firefighters that total 9814 hours. All but 2 County departments participated. No classes were cancelled.

There is a new instructor, Tom Andershot, Jr.

The Training Center has been used by other parties as well.

The Firefighters Association has donated material for the SCBA training, we are doing the work ourselves to get the trailer ready,

October 26 and 27 are the dates for the County weekend at the Fire Academy, they are 15 proposed classes, but nothing is finalized yet.

The Arson Task force had a busy winter.

Committee Reports:

Arson Task Force: None

Radio: There is a paging update being done, testing is ongoing. Motorola will be here for the next couple of days. A Spring launch is possible if the bugs are worked out. More channels will be available, information will be given out later.

Kartrite Water Park had a test of their communications.

The Control Center is no longer using the wireless headsets due to the issues that were occurring. If there are still issues, please let Alex know.

Please do not use the scan feature on the radios at firegrounds, you may miss communications. You can use them at home if you want to.

John and Alex are working on a solution to the problem with duplicate responses with Fire and EMS on firecom. Training would help, as well as identifying is it is Fire or EMS that is responding. The new paging should improve the issue because you can go off firecom. They are also looking for a portable repeater for large scale scenes and difficult locations. EMS also needs to work on these issues.

Robbie said that overall the quality of information received from the Control Center has improved.

Communications: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Good and Welfare: None

Meeting Adjourned at ? pm

Next meeting May 20 at 7:30pm at the Government Center