

Fire Chief's Council of Suffolk County, Inc.

The 309th meeting of the Suffolk County Fire Chief's Council was held at the West Islip Fire Department on Friday, January 9, 2009. President Scott Thebold called the meeting to order at 8:20 PM.

Flag salute was led by Sgt.-at-Arms John Carney.

Invocation: Offered by Rick Van de Kieft.

West Islip Chief Mike Delgado welcomed the Council and President Scott Thebold responded.

Officers present were President Scott Thebold 1st V.P. Anthony V. LaFerrera, 2nd V.P. John Carney Sgt.-at-Arms Joe D'Alessandro, Treasurer John Urevich, Corresponding Secretary Rick Van de Kieft Recording Secretary Rick Gimbl.

Past Presidents in attendance were Robert Holley, Ronald P. Barz, Greg Anderson, Ed Walsh, Bill Murray, Ed Busch, Jay Egan, Craig Zitek, Michael DENicolo and Don Corkery.

Town Presidents / Officers in attendance, Pres. Anthony V. LaFerrera-Babylon, Tom D'Arcangelo-Islip and Arron Sacks-South Hampton.

GUESTS:

Joe Williams Commissioner FRES, John Searing Deputy Commissioner FRES, Dick Stockinger-Suffolk County Fire Academy, Bob Holley SCVFA, Jerry Owenburg-Suffolk County Burn Center, Dan Harris - Chaplain Hampton Bays FD, Bruce Johnson Intl Code Council, Rich Vella SCVFA IVP, Ray MaGuire Nassau Cnty Chiefs, and Mike Barry - BTFCC.

M/M/S/A to accept the minutes from the 308th meeting which was passed out tonight.

MONTHLY PROGRAM: Brian Lynch from US Fire Tech discussed the FT-5 device for extinguishing fires.

Nassau Chiefs Assoc. gave thanks who came and paid their respects for 1st. Chief from Freeport FD and discussed their Line of Duty format and team.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Correspondance: Rick Van de Kieft.

Letter written to Commissioner Williams sending him our nomination for Scott Thebold as our FRES Rep from 1/1/09 – 12/31/2011. Thank you letter recvd from the S.C.Vol.FF Association Burn Center Fund for our donation in memory of Margaret Regnier. Letter written to NFPA Standards Council as our recommendation of Dave Fischler to the Chairmanship of the Ambulance Standards Committee. Letters were sent to Ed Boyd, Dennis Whittman, Peter Gunther, Thomas Smyth and John Urevich for their application for the vacant position

on the VEEB Board. Thank you letter to St. James Fire District for the use of their Sub Station after our annual Golf outing. Letter received from the Eagle Association of Central New York looking for a donation towards the FF and Law Enforcement Memorial at the New York State Fairgrounds. An undated letter was received from the S.C. Vol. Firemans Association stating their support of the "issues of concern" as submitted by FASNY, State Chiefs, and State Districts relating to discussions with Government Officials in Washington.

Arson Task Force: Dick Keller-Next meeting January 14, 2009

Suffolk County Burn Center: Jerry Owenburg. Burn center doing well, if anyone wishes to visit for a tour, please contact us. Anyone wants to join the Committee see me or Greg. Receiving a \$13,000.00 donation .Happy New Year

By Laws: no report.

FRES Commission: Deputy Commissioner John Searing. Received a MOU with FDNY and was signed off in December. This will be used in the event of a major disaster and upon request from the city. Will be on volunteer basis, and must meet the FDNY requirements. Suffolk Units will be pre-selected and pre-credentialed. FRES will work with Suffolk Chiefs Council and Suffolk Fire Academy on the details and dissemination.

There has been an increased in working fires for the past two months. A few Firefighters injuries have been reported, nothing serious. Be vigilant, think and act safely.

Suffolk County Fire Academy: Chief Stockinger-New pump house still waiting to do test on the equipment, leak in draft pits. OFPC conducting informational sessions on Escape Rope regulations. Tuesday January 13th, 7PM at East Quogue F.D., and Wednesday January 14th 7PM at West Sayville F.D. , max. of 2 per department. New FF1 Orientation class starts this month. See handout. Intro to Fire Officer Pilot Program in February for Babylon Town. Will be doing VESM in the fall. Medal of Valor applications going out, must be returned by March 1, 2009. Student contacts for 2008 = 45,311

Suffolk County Chief's Golf Tournament: Mike DeFelice September 28, has two openings.

Haz-Mat Homeland Security:

Rick Gimbl reported that again there was not a quorum. Deputy Commissioner said he will send letters out to the members regarding attendance and if they are still interested in having this committee.

Joint Council: Discussion on the Washington Trip and NYS Chiefs Conference in June, Suffolk county Vol. FF Assoc. reported on their stance with CFSI. All agreed to come up with an agenda for all to see from each association legislature Committee. Agreed to have a breakfast meeting at Sayville FD in March before we go to Washington.

LIPA: No report.

New York State Association of Fire Chiefs:

Don Corkery. Discussed Turning Stone, Verona, NY. The hotel at Turning stone is sold out. There is a new Marriot opening up soon and will be available for the show. There is info on hotels on our WEB Site. Looking into the new Bailout Regulation , remember if you do not have any building that meet the requirement and you respond to mutual aid then this regulations applies.

Hospitality Room: Looking into having one at Turning Stones.

Installation Brunch: Jay Egan Total Paid 132 members, 43 guests, total 175 attended. Actual profit \$ 1,407.70

Radio Committee: Robert Knight.

Laws and Legislation: Greg Anderson.

Meeting with new Senator Foley, Gave him items such as the heart bill permanent Blue lights for rear of vehicles, CDL problem, proper funding for all the fire academy's and OFPC to mention a few. Health Insurance approved by the state, Towns Insurance are Cadillac policies. So we have to work on that. Still looking to help the peace Officer status for Fire Marshals.

Political Action Committee: Ronald Barz.

East Farmingdale meeting went well. This year at the CFSI we will have a room in the Raybern Bldg. where the elected officials will come to us.

Regional E.M.S. Council: Edward Boyd.

Next mtg January 13.

Wild Fire Task Force: Greg Anderson.

No Report.

WEBSITE: Greg Anderson

Please update your meetings and new officers from your councils..

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: C Scott Thebold

Thanks for everyone for attending. Looking for a great year and will always be ready to serve you. If you have any issues please contact us. Thanks for Nassau for coming attending tonight. Thanks for Brian Lynch for his presentation. Welcomed new Chiefs.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT: Rick Van de Kieft.

Attended many funerals.

SUFFOLK COUNTY VOL. FIREMAN'S ASSOC.: Rich Vella

Wishes everyone a Happy New Year. Next mtg January 22,

Suffolk County Chief's Scholarship & Seminar:

No report

TOWN PRESIDENTS:

Babylon Township: Anthony V. LaFerrera.

No Report.

Brookhaven Township: Michael Barry.

Next Meeting 1/16/09

East Hampton Township: Kent Howie.

No representation.

Huntington Township: Larry Cavanagh.

Next meeting 1/26/09

Islip Township: Tom D'Arcangelo.

Next meeting 1/22/09.

Peconic Chief's: Ted Rosko, Jr.

No representation.

Smithtown Township: 1st. V.P. Kriklava.

Next meeting in February, 2nd Thursday St. James

Southampton Township: Arron Sacks.

Southold Township: Edward Boyd.

Riverhead Township: Thomas Campanero.

No representation.

Suffolk County Vol. Ambulance Assoc.:

No representation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tony Cruz from The Cancer Network. having their first Golf outing. at Hauppauge in May 4.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chief Bodkin asked for list of available used equipment to be put on our web site. M/M/S/A to purchase a plaque for Chief of the year and to be hung in the Fire Academy.

National Code Council Bruce Johnson

ICC Board denied the appeals of the sprinkler and CO building Safety Code Changes

<http://www.iccsafe.org/news/RB64-66.html>, NYS will updating its Uniform Code in late 2009 –early 2010 <http://dos.state.ny.us/code/residsprinklers.htm>,

There is an update to the 2009/2010 Code development Cycle. Check latest information nat

http://www.iccsafe.org/cs/codes/2009-10cycle/cycle_update.pdf.

The schedule for the code development hearings and annual business meeting in Baltimore is as follows October 24-31 and November 4-11. The annual Business mtg is November 1-4 all at the Baltimore Convention

Center.<http://www.iccsafe.org/news/annual>

Government Relations staff will be working very hard to get the Community Building Code Administration Grant Act (CBCAG) passed in 2009.

SUFFOLK COUNTY EMS: Karl Klug.

No representation.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Presented Dick Keller with his watch. Ex Chief Skala's form Bay Shore Son passed away. Sayville FD Resolute Hose Co. holding Incident Safety Officer Course February 28, Part I and March 21, Part II, Safety & Health Officer Seminar April 18 Part I and May 16 Part II more info at Sayville Web site .M/M/S/A for \$100.00 to the Eagle Association of Central New York towards the FF and Law Enforcement Memorial at the New York State Fairgrounds.

SGT OF ARMS Joe D'allesandro

12 Chiefs, 20 Assistant Chiefs, 55 Ex Chiefs, 12 Guests, Total in attendance 99. 33 Departments, Collected \$217.00 in Dark Horse.

Next Meeting: West Islip Fire Department on Friday March 13, 2009 at 7:30PM. Sayville FD

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Urevich.

Dues letters went out to all depts.. for 2009

FF Benefit Fund \$3,629.22

General Checking \$1,858.32

Money Market Acct. \$27,960.44

M/M/S/A to accept Treas. Report

DARK HORSE: # 834296, # 834279, Total \$ 217.00

BENEDICTION: Offered by Rick Van de Kieft

Meeting Adjourned: 09:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: Sayville Fire Department.

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**The next meeting of
Fire Chief's Council
Of Suffolk County, Inc.**

Will be held on

March 13, 2009

At

**Sayville FD.
107 North Main Street
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Dinner at 7:30PM
Meeting at 8:00PM**

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Council Meetings

<u>2009</u>	<u>Location</u>
Jan. 9	West Islip
Mar. 13	Sayville
May 8	Central Islip
July 10	
Sept.11	
Nov 13	

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