

Fire Chief's Council of Suffolk County, Inc.

The 312th meeting of the Suffolk County Fire Chief's Council was held at the North Lindenhurst Fire Department on Friday, July 10, 2009. President Scott Thebold called the meeting to order at 8:10 PM.

Flag salute was led by Sgt.-at-Arms Joe D'Alessandro

Invocation: Offered by Rick Van de Kieft.

North Lindenhurst Chief Thomas Moran welcomed the Council and 1st VP President Anthony LaFerrera responded.

Officers present were President Scott Thebold, 1st V.P. Anthony V. LaFerrera, 2nd Vice President 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 Ed Busch, Mike DE Nicolo, Ronald P. Barz, Greg Anderson, Michael DeNicolo, Don Corkery and Ed Walsh.

Town Presidents / Officers in attendance, Pres. Tom D'Arcangelo, Islip, Carleton Raab, Southold

GUESTS:

S.C.F.Academy Ray Kiesel, Ex Chief Tony Cruz FF Cancer Support Network, Chaplain from 6th & 8th Divisions Philip DiDomenico, Chaplain Charles Huber North Babylon FD.

MONTHLY PROGRAM:

Howard Rizio from Union Springs Pharmaceuticals. Spoke on personal protection for germ-fighting. A spray that can sprayed directly on face and hands. Spoke also on P-95 respirator which has a 99% ratio, .27 microns and blocks 99% of all small particles. It is far better than the N-95 mask. One size fits all and shelf life of 5 years.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

M/M/S/A to accept the minutes of the April 311th meeting of the council.

Correspondance: Rick Van de Kieft.

Letter received from Deputy Commissioner John Searing returning the \$500 stipend and thanking the council for the offer..Letter from S.C. Vol. Fireman's Association asking for an endorsement for Bill Murray as a 5 year term Trustee for the Firemans Home. Sent letters to Charles Huber and Phil DiDomenico regarding additional Chaplains positions with this council. Letter from NYSAFC regarding wireless program for firefighters. Letter from Smithtown Fire Chiefs Council with their current Officers. Checks from Utility Hose & Eng. Co. 2 of Jamesport and Northport FD for food drive .Letter dated June 30, 2009 from NYSAFC endorsing the 2000-2009 Hybrid Response Guide book. A limited supply is left and they cost \$69.95 each.

Arson Task Force: Dick Keller-No Report

Suffolk County Burn Center: Jerry Owenberg

Mention proposed budget cuts at the University. Senate restored \$1.2 billion in cuts and mention our burn center will continue to provide the resources needed.Fundraiser July 25, 12 noon at Amityville Beach "Jack E. LaGrassa' Fund raiser at Martha Clara is October 3, 2009

By Laws: Looking into activating committee, see 1st VP Carney if interested.

FRES Commission: Commissioner Joe Williams. FDNY mutual aid policy is in progress. Faxes went out to all Departments. Only a few responded. College Tuition Program will be ok for the fall . The County budget has \$100,000.00 for the program.. Putting in a grant with Nassau to pay for this program. Looking into a health insurance for our firefighters and working with the Volleys on this. We are asking for those interested to call my office so we know how many are in need. Also there is a current drug program that is open to all residents where you can save 10-20%. You can find this on the county web site.

Suffolk County Fire Academy: Chief Stockinger National Certification August 22 & 23,need more participants, you enroll from the web site. We finished the pilot SCBA Technique program, it went well, it is a 3hr. lecture and 6 hour hands on at the fire academy. You can start booking this now for the fall. Met with budget people and it looks as if we will remain the same for 2010 and working on creative financing we should be ok. There is now an opening on the VEEB Board , Marty Albert is retiring and applicants are now being accepted. You must be a school teacher or a retired school teacher and be recommended by the Superintendent of BOCES. If interested contact the Academy.

Suffolk County Chief's Golf Tournament:

Mike DeFelice – September 28, Smithtown Landing, \$115.00 per golfer. Invites going out this month. M/M/S/A to increase hole sponsor to \$75.00. Any questions give me a call, my number is on the web site.

Joint Council- no issues

LIPA: No report.

New York State Association of Fire Chiefs:

Don Corkery. Discussed Turning Stone, Verona, NY. Was a great success. Attendance up by 2000 from last year,total 11,991 Get your registrations in for 2010, you can get them on the NYSAFC Web Site. We also are holding the 3rd floor room for us to have a hospitality room. M/M/S/A to look into the cost which is around \$300.00 per night. Rope Rescue amendment to law by Assmbyman Alessi & Assemblywoman Fields, in "short" it will allow departments to develop S.O.G.'s for bailout

procedures in their own districts. This is still in the works, the Labor Dept. is reviewing at this time. Officers Training Symposium at Otasaga Hotel in Cooperstown NY, September 18 & 19 2009 Check Website. On the issue for Consolidation of Districts "PAY Attention"

Suffolk Districts: Don Corkery

Hospitality Room: M/M/S/A for \$500 for a hospitality room in Baltimore.

Installation Brunch: Jay Eagan- November 15, 2009. 11AM – 3PM \$100.00 Per Couple at Majestic Gardens. Flyers going out soon

Radio Committee: Robert Knight.

No report. Still no rep from Suffolk Chiefs.

Laws and Legislation: Greg Anderson.

Political Action Committee: Ronald Barz.

Will have the same room at CFSI to meet our political people. NO lunch . Congressman Bishop & King got \$285,000 for Burn Center.

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

Wild Fire Task Force: Greg Anderson.

Attendance not going well.

WEBSITE: Greg Anderson

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

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: C Scott Thebold

Good Luck for Mastic FD on hosting the County Parade and also to Coram who is running the Tournament.

1st Vice President: Anthony V. LaFerrera

Wounded warrior bike ride in Babylon Town July 24, 2009. FF's appreciation night at Bethpage State Park Carleton on the Green was a great success.

2nd Vice President: John Carney

Looking into a committee to work on Line of Duty Death, a rep from each township to join the committee and draft a policy. If interested please contact me.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT: Rick Van de Kieft.

New Chaplains on board. Bibles have to be ordered. Chaplains from Huntington Manor is becoming a member of the International Chaplain Association. We thank our new chaplains and they are here tonight.

Firefighters Support Group: Tony Cruz

General Meeting July 29, 2009 7:30 all welcome. Mentoring 77FF's, 9 family members and 5 EMS. Lost a FF wife due to cancer . Training seminar 10/26, 2009

SUFFOLK COUNTY VOL. FIREMAN'S

ASSOC.: Long Island day at the home is Sept. 20, 1:30 pm, food to follow.

Suffolk County Fire Police: Ed Tully, No report

Suffolk County Chief's Scholarship & Seminar:

No report

TOWN PRESIDENTS:

Babylon Township:

Brookhaven Township: Mike Barry

East Hampton Township: Kent Howie.

Huntington Township: Larry Cavanagh.

Islip Township: Tom D'Arcangelo.

Peconic Chief's: Ted Rosko, Jr.

Smithtown Township: Tom. Kriklava.

Southampton Township: Chip Bancroft

Southold Township: Carelton Raab

Riverhead Township: Thomas Campanero.

Suffolk County Vol. Ambulance Assoc.: Bruce Talmage

OLD BUSINESS:

Gil Hanse reported from Babylon Fire Marshals Office that they will be holding a Wounded Warriors Ride again this year on July 24 10AM. Any questions or willing to participate call his office at 957-3009. Rick Gimbl thanking those that came and supported the Homecoming of a wounded Soldier in his district. Over 3,000 people showed with over 30 fire apparatus. Rick Gimbl also reported that Ocean Beach FD is looking for color guards to attend Wounded warrior night on July 24, 2009. Ferry leaving at 5PM , class A ferry and food free. Don Corkery reported on the NYS Fallen Firefighters Committee. They met and are working on changing the criteria. There are now six categories which includes Fire Policeman. Food drive in progress, flyers out asking each dept. to donate a check of \$100.00 In August we need the checks. Please bring back to your councils.

NEW BUSINESS:

M/M/S/A to support Bill Murray to a five year term for home on the Hudson. Thank you letter to WBAB for Firefighters night at Bethpage. M/M/S/A to send \$400.00 to Cancer Group in honor of Chief Behounek's wife. M/M/S/A to send \$400.00 to wounded warriors. Dave Fischler reported that they are looking into exempting those fire departments that can't afford matching funds for the Fire Act Grants. M/M/S/A to send a foursome and the Executive Board to attend the BBQ on the August 17, 2nd annual Chuck J. Varese Golf outing.

National Code Council Bruce Johnson Progress.

SUFFOLK COUNTY EMS: Karl Klug.

No representation.

GOOD AND WELFARE: Eugene Petrovich fell and broke his left wrist. Looking into updating line of

duty plaque at the fire academy. Bill Reilly Suffolk
Volley's passed away.

SGT OF ARMS Joe D'allesandro

5 Chiefs, 6 Assistant Chiefs, 32 Ex Chiefs, 4 Guests,
Total in attendance 47. 25 Departments, Collected
\$112.00 in Dark Horse.

Next Meeting: East Quogue on Friday Sept. 11, 2009
at 7:00PM.

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Urevich.

Full report next meeting

DARK HORSE: # 163208, # 163214, # 163271,
#163217 Total \$211.00

BENEDICTION: Offered by Rick Van de Kieft
Meeting Adjourned: 10:00 p.m.

**Next Meeting: East Quogue
Fire Department. September
18, 8PM**

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

Will be held on

September 18, 2009

At

**East Quogue FD.
Main Street
(631) 653-5101**

**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	North Lindenhurst
Sept.18	East Quogue
Nov 13	

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