

Fire Chief's Council of Suffolk County, Inc.

The 315th meeting of the Suffolk County Fire Chief's Council was held at the North Amityville Fire Department on Friday, January 8, 2010. President Scott Thebold called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM.

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

Invocation: Offered by Rick Van de Kieft. North Amityville Chief Bill Hill 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 Willaim Murray, Ron Barz, Greg Anderson, Jay Egan, Bob Holley, Don Corkery, Ed Walsh and Ed Busch.

Town Presidents / Officers in attendance, Pres. Tom Kriklava from Smithtown, John Cronin Brookhaven, James Nolan Babylon

GUESTS:

Fire Districts SNY Eugene Petrovich, Ed Fitzgerald SCPD Arson, , Commissioner Joe Williams, Ex Chief Tony Cruz FF Cancer Support Network, Rich Vella Suff. Vollies, Gerry Owenburg Burn Center, Stephen Clock Guest speaker, Chaplain Deacon Charles Huber North Babylon FD.

MONTHLY PROGRAM: Stephen Clock from Phoenix Group of Virginia talked about a new SCBA Back Air Cartridge. Called "Last Chance Rescue Filter"

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

M/M/S/A to accept the minutes of the April 314th meeting of the council.

Correspondance: Rick Van de Kieft.

Thank you card from Nicole Boutanis for 2008 Scholarship award(West Babylon), Letter from Flyoyd Vol. FD asking for support for Daniel Schwertfeger for NYSAFC as Director, Letter Ref Plum Island Chiefs Meeting, Letters from Sawyer Rock(Bay Shore) and John Cotrone(Deer Park) Ref transcripts for Scholarship.

Arson Task Force: Dick Keller-No Report
Sgt. Fitzgerald from SCPD Arson Squad reported the closure of the Arson Fire in Huntington Manor. They are now using forensic so please take all of your equipment away from the scene. A glove was found at a car fire investigation and when asked if it belonged to any FF the answer was no. Forensic came back showing it did belong to a FF. So It just hinders the time in the investigating at the scene.

Suffolk County Burn Center: Gerry Owenburg
Please call FRES when a member is being transported to Stony Brook for burns. Clean room being built and going well. Anyone wish to have a tour of the center please call and they will be happy to do it.

By Laws: Progress

FRES Commission: Commissioner Joe Williams. Chiefs cars are being broken into. Several Radios were stolen. SCPD mad an arrest in Bohemia when they found a West Sayville FD Portable in the back seat. \$500.00 scholarship from Suffolk County for anyone attending Suffolk Community College and working again with the FEDS for a grant to increase to full reimbursement. We asked all Fire Dept. to give us their costs during the Blizzard. Only a few answered. Please get yours in if you haven't done so ASAP. If a declaration is signed, you will receive full reimbursement.

Suffolk County Fire Academy: Assist. Chief Bob Holley – Filed repairs going on and getting ready for the 2010 season. All schedules will NOT be mailed out anymore. They will be emailed to your FD or you can see it on the academy's web site. We won the law suit against the State. Do not when we will see the money.

Suffolk County Chief's Golf Tournament:

M/M/S/A to send \$200.00 deposit for this years Chiefs golf Outing.

Joint Council- President Thebold reported next meeting February 2 at Fireman's Park and with the Town Presidents February 12, no location yet.

LIPA: No report.

New York State Association of Fire Chiefs: Don Corkery reported Stillrooms available for NYS Chiefs Convention. Dept of Labor citing some depts. Not having the assessments for their area. The Judge has not made a ruling as of yet. Big discussion is on the consolidation bill that was passed. Don Introduced Chief Dan Schwertfeger from Floyd FD who is running for Directors seat on the NYSC A. M/M/S/A to send letter in our support for Dan as a director for NYS Chiefs Assoc.

Suffolk Districts: Don Corkery

Hospitality Room: M/M/S/A to go in with Nassau chiefs during the NYS Chiefs Convention. We will try this year and see the turnout.

Installation Brunch: Jay Eagan- Final numbers 123 attended. Profit was made of \$ 2,246.00

Radio Committee: Robert Knight.
Progress

Laws and Legislation: Greg Anderson.

Waiting to see if the Blue Light Bill and Cancer bill goes through.

Political Action Committee: Ronald Barz.

CFSI April 28-29. Ron passed out voting registration forms. Get FF's to register so we can show force.

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

No report

Wild Fire Task Force: Greg Anderson. No report.

WEBSITE: Greg Anderson

Please update your meetings and new officers from your councils. Will be updating the new chiefs.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: C Scott Thebold
Thank You for coming tonight. Happy New to everyone. Asked for any new chiefs present. Huntington Manor, Orient and west Babylon introduced new chiefs.

1st Vice President: Anthony V. LaFerrera
Spoke on PSAP Bill that was vetoed by the County Exec. Looking for the Legislature to override the veto. February 2, is the next meeting so a show of uniforms will be greatly appreciated. Third Ambulance position on the FRES Commission was not approved. New Legislation to be drafted to allow only two reps. M/M/S/A to send letter in support of two representatives to the FRES Commission from the Ambulance Chiefs.

2nd Vice President: John Carney

Meeting in east Northport on line of duty death and ceremonial unit January 21. If interested please contact me. Looking for a location for next meeting preferably in Brookhaven Town.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT: Rick Van de Kieft. Been busy sorry to say. We had to order more bibles. Please let us know so we can deliver the bible to the family.

Firefighters Cancer Support Group: Tony Cruz
We will come to your dept. to talk about our support group. Golf outing is May 3rd at the Wind Watch. We will be the MEGA show selling tee shirts and to answer any questions. Next meeting will be on January 27 at the Manhasset-Lakeville FD. Dr. Louis R. Kavoussi from LIJ will be our speaker on Prostate Cancer. Still looking for a rep from each dept to attend our meetings. Stony Brook gives free Prostate exams to firefighters. Call 444-4000 to make an appt. AS of now we are mentoring 98 ff's, 6 EMS providers and 11 family members.

SUFFOLK COUNTY VOL. FIREMAN'S

ASSOC.: Rich Vella, busy getting ready to host this years convention in Hauppauge.

Suffolk County Chief's Scholarship & Seminar:

This years seminar will be Friday March 19, 2010 at Brookhaven Labs. Topic will be Firefighter Survival. Registrations are on the tables. Applications for this years Scholarships are also on the tables and are on

the web site. After 1st semester you have to send in your transcript in order to receive the money.

Suffolk County Vol. Ambulance Assoc.: Bruce Talmage - No report.

National Code Council Bruce Johnson
Progress.

Suffolk County Districts- Next meeting January 22 at Huntington Manor. Elections will take place on February 18 at East wind. Our web site is Suffolkcountydo

SUFFOLK COUNTY EMS: Karl Klug.
No representation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Question on Health insurance for FF's. It was once again explained that in Suffolk only 52 responses so it is not enough to go to the insurance companies with. FASNY is looking into it.

NEW BUSINESS: M/M/S/A to take a hole sponsor for the Cancer Support Group Golf Outing. Discussion on Roger Putnam with FASNY. FASNY has not answered our letters. East Northport said they will be dropping out after the convention. Fireman's Home raising money for stained glass windows for the chapel in honor of Father Dan. M/M/S/A to send the president and his wife to the Smithtown Chiefs dinner.

GOOD AND WELFARE: none

SGT OF ARMS Joe D'allesandro

72 in attendance, 6 Chiefs, 11 Assistant Chiefs, 43 Ex Chiefs, 12 Guests, 27 Departments, Collected \$209.00 in Dark Horse.

Next Meeting: March 12, Huntington Manor FD

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Urevich.

Bills presented: Rick Gimbl for computer \$630.00, Hamptononline \$510.00 FASNY Dues \$100.00, NYS Chiefs For R. Van de Kieft \$150.00, United Memorial for Bibles \$246.35, Smithtown Fire Chiefs Annual Dinner for President \$50.00 M/M/S/A to pay the bills. FF Benefit Fund \$4,0744, Total \$ 31,007.77 M/M/S/A to accept Treasures Report.

DARK HORSE: # 40384743, # 4038769, 403778

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

**Next Meeting: Huntington
Manor Fire Department.
March 12, 8PM**

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

Will be held on

March 12, 2009

At

Huntington Manor FD

**Dinner at 7:30PM
Meeting at 8:00PM**

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Council Meetings

<u>2009</u>	<u>Location</u>
Jan. 8	North Amityville
Mar. 12	Hunting Manor
May 8	North Lindenhurst
July 9	West Hampton
Sept.18	East Quogue
Nov 12	North Babylon

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