

Fire Chief's Council of Suffolk County, Inc.

The 326th meeting of the Suffolk County Fire Chief's Council At Riverhead Fire Department November 11th 2011.

Flag salute was led by 2nd Vice Joe D'Alessandro
Welcome from Chief Nick Luperella

Invocation: Eugene Petrovich, Prayer for our departed Ex-chiefs and members that are ill. Also, all members currently serving in the military

Officers Present : President LaFerrera, 2nd Vice Joe D'Alessandro, Rec. Sec. John Bancroft, Treas. John Urvich, Corr. Sec. Jay Egan

Past Presidents: Jay Egan, Michael DE Nicolo ,Ron Barz and Robert Holley.

Town Presidents / Officers in attendance Doug Sneider Smithtown, Antone Volinski III Southold and Jon Cronin Brookhaven.

GUESTS: Dick Stockinger SCFA, Joe Williams FRES, 2nd VP Bob McConville FASNY, President Eugene Perry Southern NY VFA, Bruce Johnson ICC, Alisa Klinger Paws4Air. Nassua County Chiefs Council in attendance led by President Frank Wakley (entire council including Directors in attendance), 1st VP NYSC Richard Messina.

MONTHLY PROGRAM: Alisa Klinger spoke about the Paws4Air program. Program provides air masks for pets.

Minutes: Approved from last month's meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Correspondance: Jay Egan. Received a thank you card from Lorraine DE Nicolo.

Suffolk County Burn Center: Jerry Owenburg. Unfortunately the burn center has been busy this year. Anyone wishing a tour, please contact myself. Website (suffolkffburn.com.) is up and running. Key to helping a burn patient is getting them to the facility as soon as possible.

By Laws: No report.

FRES Commission: Joe Williams. FRES lost \$945,000 for upcoming year. Good news-no personnel being lost. Gained one person for EMS. There will be no hirings or promotions in 2012. In process of hiring two new dispatchers. They both need to go to school. Will be meeting with new County Executive.

Suffolk County Fire Academy: Dick Stockinger. Lottery will be done upcoming Monday for next year's field training. New firehouse scheduling is going well, about 80% complete. Will not be accepting any more requests for training or pump tests for 2011, funds are running low. 2012 budget still up in air, Legislature voted to put \$40,000 back. Charge for pump testing is very likely in future. We

probably charging for SCUBA training in future. Next FFI National Cert Exam will be Sat Nov 19th. US&R Team held drill on Fire Island on Columbus Day weekend, things went well.

REMSCO: Anthony LaFerrera. SFCC will be holding a paramedic program. This program is SERVES available. EMS conference Feb 4th at Coram FD.

JOINT COUNCIL: : Anthony LaFerrera. Met in Brentwood. Discussed budget items for Fire Academy, EMS and FRES. Decided to go to budget hearings and voice opinion on the 9th of Nov. Fought for helicopter to remain in program. Received call today advising helicopter put back in program (working on confirming).

Suffolk County Chief's Golf Tournament: Mike Felice reports we had 123 golfers. Thanked St. James FD. Total made on fundraiser was \$5,686.01. Motion made to send thank you plaque to St. James FD. Motion passed.

Hospitality Room: 2nd Vice Joe D'Alessandro. Letters going out in Feb to vendors.

Installation Brunch: Jay Egan. Flyers out. Tickets given this year upon purchase. Brunch this year 13th Nov 11-3 at Majestic Gardens.

Suffolk County Volunteer Firefighters: No meeting this month. Next meeting in January.

FASNY: Bob McConville. Program called WILLS will be in Merrick on Dec 3rd. Program helps firefighters create a "will" free. Just had Legislative meeting in Albany. Reiterated that FASNY has not changed position on Brady bill or rope bill.

Radio Committee: Bob Knight. Get with you local vendors to get educated on FCC changes coming in Jan 2013.

Laws and Legislation: Ron Barz. Brady bill still not signed. Working with congressional members to get FEMA Grant funding.

Political Action Committee: Ronald Barz. Nothing to report.

Wild Fire Task Force: John Urvich. No report.

NYS Chiefs: Ron Barz: COLT training in Westchester County in Dec and April. CFSI applications will be left on front desk. This year it will be May 2-3.

County Fire Coordinators: Greg James. Thanked Jay Egan and Ed Tully for coordinating the help we sent upstate. Had 22 departments participate in MacArthur drill. In future will send coordinators to hospitals. Most coordinators have new reflective clothing thanks to town chiefs councils.

WEBSITE: No report

LIPA: Transformer fires and wires down are not considered an emergency to LIPA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Thanked Dick Keller for serving on the FRES commission for 36 years.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: Nothing to report.

2ND VICE PRESIDENT: 5 Chief's in attendance, 14 Assistant Chief's, 34 Ex-Chief's, Guests 14, total in attendance 67. Departments represented 24.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: Tony Cruz. Looking for help to raise funds to help FF's that are struggling at holiday time. Chief's councils have donated a total of \$3,200. Lindenhurst Ladies Aux. hosted a 50's dance to help support Cancer Support Network. Tues Nov 22nd a bell ceremony will be held at 10:30am at LIJ Monter Cancer Center. Please come and show support. American Cancer Society has a program called Camp Adventure. It is held at Shelter Island. Allow a member's child who is diagnosed with cancer and his brothers/sisters to go for one week and just be together. Ages are 6-18. Please send a photo of members that have passed away from cancer. Network would like to recognize them. Stony Brook University is selling bricks to create a "path of memories". Mentor report- 169 FF's, 19 EMS providers, 43 Family members, and 1 Junior.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT: No Report.

Code Committee: Bruce Johnson. Working hard to get residential sprinklers mandated. Preparing for a fight with National home builders.

Suffolk County Chief's Scholarship & Seminar: Anthony LaFerrera. Last year applicants, this year 10. All qualify. Total comes out to \$5,250 in scholarships. We have \$20,320 in fund. Motion made to pay this and seconded. Motion passed. President will send out letters to each applicant and advise they need to send transcripts after first semester to receive check. Third Friday in March will be our next seminar

Election Committee : Currently slate is President LaFerrera, 1st Vice John Carney, 2nd Vice Joe D'Alessandro, Sgt. Of Arms Scott Thebold, Rec. Sec. John Bancroft, Treas. John Urvich. No other nominations from floor. Motion made and seconded Secretary cast one vote.

TOWN PRESIDENTS:

Babylon Township: Not present

Brookhaven: Not present

Huntington Township: . Not present

Islip Township: Not present

Smithtown Township:

Southampton Township: Next meeting Sag Harbor

Riverhead Township: Not present

Southold Township: Greenport next meeting Dec 19th

Suffolk County Vol. Ambulance Assoc.: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Motion passed to book 4 rooms for CFSI. Motion passed to book 5 rooms for State Chiefs. Received letter from LI Cares thanking Council.

GOOD AND WELFARE: Thoughts for Hal Bruno that recently passed away. Pasta Fundraiser at Middle Island FD to benefit Laura Meisenzahl on Nov 19th 5-7:30pm, Letter from Scott Thebold wishing all a Happy and safe Holiday season.

SGT OF ARMS: Not present

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Urevich.

Bills received: Benefit Act. \$4,469.59, General Checking \$10,375.43 Scholarship Fund \$20,330.41, Total \$ 35,175.43.

DARK HORSE: #180836 and #180710 collected \$175.00

BENEDICTION: Offered by Eugene Petrovich

Meeting Adjourned: at 21.36PM

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

Will be held on

January 2012

At

**Holbrook FD.
Dinner at 7:30PM
Meeting at 8:00PM**

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Council Meetings

<u>2012</u>	<u>Location</u>
Jan	Holbrook

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