

**BOARD OF RURAL FIRE CONTROL  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
June 27, 2013**

The Board of Rural Fire Control met on Thursday, June 27, 2013, at the York County Fire Training Center at 6:30 PM.

Notices of the meeting were forwarded to the members of the Board, the sixteen rural fire departments, and to the members of the media. Notices were also forwarded to individuals who had requested copies, and a copy was posted on the bulletin board at the York County Fire Training Center.

All members of the Board were present.

Members of several fire departments were present.  
Representing County staff: Rickey Wilson, Mike Burns, Billy Weatherford, and Anna Moore.

**Chairman David Hord called the meeting to order.**

**Opening prayer:** **Given by Frank Duncan**

**Persons not on the Agenda wishing to appear before the Board:**  
None

**Reading of the Minutes:** **David Hord, Chairman**  
Motion to approve the minutes of May 23, 2013, meeting by Kenny Gilfillan, seconded by Frank Duncan.  
All were in favor of the motion.

**Finance Committee Report:** **Tommy Carroll, Chairman**  
Each member received a copy of the monthly finance report.  
Tommy Carroll gave a report on the 2013-2014 budget.

**Equipment Committee Report:** **Bill Dunlap, Chairman**  
Recommendation from the Equipment Committee to accept the quote for purchase during 2013-2014 from Newton's Fire & Safety, Firefighter gloves as specified, flash-hoods, and Cairns Helmets.  
All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the Equipment Committee to ask York County Council to approve the low bid from Piedmont ESS for a minimum of 30 sets of gear for the 2013-2014 budget period, at a cost of \$1,731.11 per set.  
All were in favor of this motion.

Bill Dunlap gave a report on the ALF Engines.

The Equipment Committee will start looking at Specifications for a new engine to be purchased during the 2013-2014 budget at its next meeting.

Nozzle testing: It was decided that nozzle testing can be accomplished by each department during hose testing. It is requested that Fire Safety set up training classes for departments to train members on how to test nozzles using equipment provided.

**Accident Review Committee:** **Carl Faulk, Chairman**  
There were no accidents involving any county apparatus.

**Training Committee:** **Gary Starnes, York county Training Officer**  
No Report

**Joint Training Center Committee:** **David Jennings, Committee Chairman**  
David Jennings gave an update on the progress on the new training center.

**Old Business:**

There was a review of last month’s decision on the location to keep the spare ladder truck. It would not be kept at a department for daily use and used only as needed for training and as a spare ladder in place of a unit that may be out of service for an extended period.

**New Business:**

A discussion of Class A uniforms was entertained and a standard uniform design for York County Departments to go by when purchasing may be something to look at. A motion from Frank Duncan was made to ask the Fire Chief’s Association to look into this by a committee. It was seconded by Wayne Searcy. After a discussion, the motion was withdrawn and not voted on. No action was taken.

Bill Dunlap gave a report from the Radio User’s Committee and Motorola gave a program on the next generation of radios. These will replace the style we currently use; our radios will reach the end of their life cycle and will need to be replaced when they are no longer repairable or parts are no longer produced. It was suggested that a date be set to no longer buy the current model and start purchasing the new model. This was referred to the Equipment Committee.

Physicals: Fire departments want to know if they need to come before the Board each year to ask that the Board pay the county price toward physicals and the department pay the difference when they have physicals done in-house. A motion was made by Frank Duncan to allow fire departments to have in-house physicals and submit an invoice for payment by the Board, up to the amount paid by the Board for physicals based on pricing from Piedmont Medical. Al Waddell seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

Chairman David Hord appointed a committee to look at physicals and see if there are other options for a better physical within the Board’s budget. Appointed to the committee were Bill Dunlap, Chairman, Al Waddell, and Tommy Carroll.

Carl Faulk spoke on fire departments working together more to avoid the day when a full time County Fire Chief is hired.

**Announcements:**

None

**Persons wishing to appear before the Board but not on the Agenda:**

None

**Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned with unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Rickey Wilson  
Senior Fire Prevention Technician  
York County Department of Fire Safety

Note: The minutes of this meeting are a summary of the activities and discussions that took place during the Board meeting. The minutes should not be construed as a complete transcript of the meeting. The minutes will not be approved until the next Board meeting and are subject to be amended at that time. Let it be known that the chairman does not vote on any action of the Board of Rural Fire Control unless there is a tie in the vote.