

**BOARD OF RURAL FIRE CONTROL
MINUTES OF MEETING
May 23, 2013**

The Board of Rural Fire Control met on Thursday, May 23, 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 except Wayne Searcy.

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

Chairman David Hord called the meeting to order.

Opening prayer: **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 April 25, 2013, by Kenny Gilfillan, Motion Approved

Finance Committee Report: **Tommy Carroll, Chairman**

Report given by Tommy Carroll
All members received a copy of the finance report
2013-2014 budget process is still on-going
The finance committee compiled a list of items to purchase and forwarded it to the equipment committee to be approved at this meeting.

Equipment Committee Report: **Bill Dunlap, Chairman**

Requests for Turnout gear:

Recommendation from the committee to approve McConnells' request (1) complete set of turnout gear:

All were in favor of this motion

Recommendation from the committee to approve Bethany's request (3) complete sets of turnout gear:

All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to approve Bethel's request (1) complete set of turnout gear:

All were in favor of the motion

Recommendation from the committee to approve Riverview's request (5) complete sets of Veridian turnout gear:

All were in favor of the motion

Recommendation from the committee to purchase items for the spare ladder truck on the list provided to the board with the addition of (2) walkie-talkie chargers.

All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee not to purchase a radio for the new Service Truck and table this till a later date:

All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to purchase 100 pagers to continue the replacement program:

All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to purchase an Air Condition recharge & reclaim station for the shop:

All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to purchase light & siren package for the new service truck:
All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to purchase equipment for the new service truck:
All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to purchase replacement equipment for the spare pumper:
All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to purchase a Zoll AED trainer:
All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to purchase equipment for the investigator truck:
All were in favor of the motion.

Recommendation from the committee to purchase replacement used hose coupler machine for \$3,000.00 & give the vender the old one:
All were in favor of the motion

Recommendation from the committee to purchase 80 blue helmets, (5) per department, for non-interior members; any helmets needed beyond the amount given by the board will be the responsibility of the department to comply with fire board policy.
All were in favor of the motion

Recommendation from the committee to the board to approve the revised 2013-2014 specifications on turnout gear with noted changes to allow purchasing to seek bids:
All were in favor of the motion.

Accident Review Committee: **Carl Faulk, Chairman**

Recommendation from Accident Review Committee to allow the driver involved in the Lesslie accident to be re-instated after he has taken the refresher class.
All were in favor of the motion.

Training Committee: **Gary Starnes, York County Training Officer**

Gave a monthly report on training classes conducted and scheduled.

Joint Training Center Committee: **David Jennings, Committee Chairman**

David Jennings gave a report and power point presentation on the architectural drawing of the new training center. The committee recommends the board approve the plans reviewed and allow it to move on to the design phase.
All were in favor of this motion.

Recommendation from the committee to ask council to allow 16 acres to be cleared and the revenue collected from the wood harvest is added back to the funding account direct or as a deduction for the construction of the training center.
All were in favor of this motion.

Old Business:

Spare Ladder was approved by the council.
Sharon Fire Dept. workman's comp insurance; tabled until more information is gathered.

New Business:

Request from Bethesda Fire Department to house the spare ladder at their station:
Motion from Kenny Gilfillan to keep as is; seconded by Frank Duncan.
All were in favor of denying the request.

Request from SC Fire Apparatus to allow the use of (2) York County Engines in upcoming fire shows in the state:
Motion to deny this request by Kenny Gilfillan; seconded by Tommy Carroll:
All were in favor of the motion.

Motion to approve a request form that will now be used to request turnout gear as needed: It will available to be printed off the Fire Safety website and must be signed by the chief of the department and submitted at least (7) days prior to the board meeting.
Kenny Gilfillan made a motion to approve using this form with the discussed changes. There was a second by Al Waddell.
All were in favor of the motion.

Announcements:

The next Fire Chief’s Association meeting will be moved to June 19th and it will be at Fort Mill.

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

Tommy White asked if there may be a need to keep a spare tire on hand for these larger engines and ladders.
It was taken as information.
Tommy White asked if the board was going to replace turnout gear 10 years old and the board’s policy is not to, as long as the gear is still in good shape.

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.