



# ***FIRE RESCUE***

## **ALBEMARLE COUNTY**

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### **ALBEMARLE COUNTY FIRE RESCUE ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**

Wednesday, 26 August 2009  
1900 Hours

County Office Building-McIntire, Lane Auditorium

**I. Chief Cersley called the meeting to order.**

The following members were in attendance:

John Oprandy, Fire Rescue	Robert Baber, Crozet
Mark Moore, East Rivanna	George Stephens, North Garden
Timothy Cersley, Scottsville Fire	James MacDonald, Scottsville Rescue
Doug Smythers, Seminole Trail	Ted Armentrout, Stony Point
Kostas Alibertis, Western Albemarle Rescue	

Others in Attendance:

Ken Boyd, Board of Supervisors	Ann Mallek, Board of Supervisors
Bryan Elliott, Assistant County Executive	Lanny Moore, East Rivanna
Tom Hanson, ECC	Kathy Richardson, ECC
Drew Lawrence, Seminole Trail	Jack Mellott, Stony Point
Preston Gentry, Crozet	Chuck Pugh, North Garden
Bob Brown, ACFR	Wendy Roberman, ACFR

**A moment of silence was observed.**

**From the Board: Matters Not Listed on the Agenda**

**From the Public: Matters Not Listed on the Agenda**

Item added to Other Business – Mr. Moore asked to add 9-11 Remembrance and Information about Singer to the agenda.

Items added to Operations – Chief Smythers asked to add Safety Issues to the agenda. Chief Stephens asked to add downed trees in road ways and command vehicle manufacture to the agenda.

Item added to Unfinished Business - Mr. Mellott asked to add volunteer insurance to the agenda.

**II. Consent Agenda**

Chief Smythers made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Chief Armentrout seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

**III. Board of Supervisor Report**

**A. EMS Recovery**

1. Mrs. Mallek provided a copy of the press release to the chiefs.



**- Building the Model Volunteer-Career Fire & EMS System -**



2. The hearing will on the Ordinance will be in September.
  3. Discussion held.
- B. Ordinance
1. Ordinance Committee is to reconvene in September.
  2. Discussion held.

**V. Unfinished Business**

- A. Operations Committee – establishment
1. At least 2 people are needed for this committee.
  2. This committee would meet before the ACFRAB meeting and bring recommendations and policy changes to this board.
  3. Discussion was held.
- B. FBC update
1. Budgets are due on October 1, 2009.
  2. Audits are due. If you have not already turned your audit in, please do so.
- C. SAFER Grant Update
1. Chief Oprandy said that Purchasing is working on the final RFP draft and should be ready for review at next month's meeting in the final format.
  2. Discussion was held.
- D. Volunteer Insurance
1. Mr. Mellott said that Human Resources (HR) had a consultant to analyze the health insurance policy to see if volunteers could purchase their insurance through the County.
  2. The consultant did not recommend this unless 75% of the volunteers participated.
  3. Discussion held.

**VI. New Business**

**VII. Other Business**

- A. Afton Calls
1. Chief Eggleston gave a follow-up report on the Afton call issue that Chief Alibertis had a concern about last month.
  2. Chief Eggleston, Chief Alibertis, Chief Baber, and Carson Halloway met earlier this week and discussed this issue.
  3. There is an inter-operability communication policy that was drafted by Augusta that defines how we communicate on Afton Mount between Augusta, Nelson, Waynesboro and Albemarle County.
  4. Chief Eggleston encouraged the chiefs to review this document.
  5. The next meeting will be held in Dooms.
- B. Apparatus Committee
1. Scottsville Apparatus
    - a. Mr. Moore said that there is an additional \$ 32,000 cost for Scottsville's apparatus due to NFPA changes. There are no changes to the standard specifications.
    - b. The apparatus for Scottsville is getting ready to be moved on to purchasing.
  2. Western Albemarle Rescue Apparatus
    - a. Specifications have been received.
    - b. They have been sent to Chief Brown and they will be sent to purchasing.
    - c. Discussion held.
  3. Command Vehicle – Manufacture
    - a. Chief Stephens asked if there was a specific manufacturer that had to be used to purchase a command vehicle.



- b. Mr. Moore said that it did not matter with the provision that they have similar GVW ratings that had been purchased in the past.
  - c. Discussion was held.
- C. 9-11 Remembrance
- 1. Mr. Moore asked if anyone would be interested in having a 9-11 remembrance.
  - 2. Discussion was held.
  - 3. Mr. Gentry and Mr. Moore will work on this event.
  - 4. They asked the information be shared with the departments.
  - 5. This event is to be at the County Office Building on September 11 at 5 PM.
- D. Down Trees on Roadways
- 1. Chief Stephens would like to see the Downed Trees on Roadways policy to be revisited due to the response of VDOT in that there have been incidents involved with trees in the roadway.
  - 2. Discussion was held.
- E. Safety Issues
- 1. Chief Smythers said that he participated in a meeting with OSHA and would like to know what safety issues there are so they can be resolved.
  - 2. Chief Oprandy said that an employee had brought general concerns to Chief Eggleston. Those concerns were given to Human Resources and they asked an independent company to come into see if there were any issues. Mr. Elliott said that this was an employer replying to a concern expressed by a group of employees.
  - 3. The report from that company has not yet been received.
  - 4. Discussion was held.
  - 5. Chief Cersley would like it to be reflected in the minutes that Chief Eggleston was asked last meeting by several members of this board what the safety issues were, when he (Chief Eggleston) made a point to say there were safety issues. Chief Cersley said that there were no issues to be brought forward.

**VIII. Next Meeting(s)**

Wednesday, 23 September 2009 at 1900 Hours, COB-McIntire, Lane Auditorium  
*Jefferson Country Fire & Rescue Association meets 1900-2000 Hours in January, April, July, and October.*

**IX. Chief Cersley adjourned the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted: Christina Davis