

Rowan County Fire & Rescue Association

July 19, 2007 Minutes

- Meeting called to order by President Darrell Nichols at 1930 hours.
- Devotions given by Charles Miller.
- Roll Call
 - The following fire departments had members present for the meeting: Atwell, Bostian Heights, China Grove, Gold Hill, Ellis, Locke, West Rowan, Rockwell City, Rockwell Rural, Scotch Irish, South Salisbury, Union and Mt. Mitchell.
 - The following agencies had members present for the meeting: Emergency Management, EMS, Fire Marshal's Office and Rowan Rescue.
- Treasurer's Report given by Bradley McKnight. Sue Choate unable to attend.
- Minutes were read by Jason Burnett and approved as read.
- No Guests were present for the meeting.
- Committee Reports
 - Honor Guard – No Report.
 - Benevolent Fund – No Report
 - Communications – Allen Cress stated the new CAD is moving along well. The Telecommunications Department has been approved for 4 new full-time positions and as many as 7 part-time positions. The Communications Committee will be formed again. CAD related issues should be forwarded to Rob Robinson either by email or telephone. An open forum for discussion was held with several departments voicing questions/concerns related to the new CAD system.
 - Muster – No Report.
 - Training – Master training plan/needs assessment presentation scheduled for the September meeting.
 - Executive – Awaiting new compressor/generator bids for Mass Unit.

- Old Business
 - Water Point Ordinance passed unanimously by Rowan County Commissioners.

- New Business
 - The idea of requiring residential sprinklers in homes exceeding a certain square footage was discussed.

 - Tom Murphy has scheduled a class with Chet Hill representing the NC Response Rating System (Formerly ISO) to discuss with departments the information needed to improve their respective insurance ratings. The tentative dates will be either October 13 & 14 or October 20 & 21 to be held at Rowan Cabarrus Community College.

 - Address issues with residential homes discussed. Many homes located in districts do not have a visible address number posted along the roadway.

 - Medical/EMS coverage included on structure fire responses discussed.

 - The audit received approval for the Rowan County Fire & Rescue Association financial records.

 - The next meeting will be held in September at the Agricultural Center and include the election of officers for the coming year.

With no additional business the meeting was adjourned by President Nichols.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Burnett
Acting Secretary