



CLACKAMAS DISTRICT FIRE DEFENSE BOARD

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Minutes of the meeting held at EOC/CCOM March 1, 2007

Chief Branch called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Members in attendance:

Gary McQueen	Sandy Fire	Doug Branch	Boring Fire
Vince Stafford	Molalla Fire	Mic Eby	Hoodland Fire
Rod Yoder	Aurora Fire	Ken Cushman	ODF
Larry Goff	Lake Oswego Fire	Ed Kirchofer	CCFD #1
Dustin Morrow	TVF&R	Michael Funk	Gladstone Fire
Stan Monte	Gladstone Fire	Bob Morrisey	Estacada Fire

Others in attendance:

Phil Moyer	AMR	Larry MacDaniels	CCCH
Gerry Wiese	C-COM	Gene Juve	CCEM

* = Agenda item for next meeting

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

PRESENTATION: None

MINUTES: Approval of minutes - Dustin/Mic moved and seconded. Motion passed

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob is working on changing the address and getting signature cards signed.

Beginning Balance	\$1,861.13
Checks Written	\$0.00
Ending Balance	\$1,861.13

COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EOC: Gene Juve

- Work needs to begin on the resource management plan. Gene will contact Larry Goff and the committee.
- A reminder that the EOC will need to be staffed for 32 hours during the Top Off exercise in October.
- The EOP is available on CD along with the resource directory.

Radio Committee: Mic Eby

- VHF/800 meeting yesterday. Nothing significant to report.

CFOG: Jonathan Smith/Larry Goff

- The last meeting was held on 2/27/07. Chris Paul (ODF) needs to be placed on the e-mail list.
- The CFOG charter needs to be put together. Membership appointed by the Fire Defense Board. How are additional members determined? Is there a current mission statement? If not, should they develop one? A disconnect between CFOG and RFOG.
- The 800 template for re-banding is still being worked on. The timing of radio flashing was discussed. Some radios will be different from others and may create a safety issue.
- The next meeting is Tuesday, March 27th at 0900 hrs. at Clackamas Fire Training.

RFOG: Doug Branch

- Warble tone generators have been ordered from Portland Fire.
- Last met on 2/20/07. The regional SOG's will be posted on the CDFDB website.
- The main issue discussed was the low air alarm and how the agencies with low pressure systems might be affected. Hoodland and Gladstone both have low pressure systems.
- After RFOG adopts a policy, how is it implemented and utilized by the individual fire agencies? CFOG makes recommendations to the FDB about policies passed down from RFOG. After the FDB adopts the policies, each individual agency is responsible for adopting and implementing them.
- The "Red Flag", high rise and accountability policies are currently being worked on.
- Resource typing is still being developed. Most of it is waiting on NIMS and the Feds. There has been discussion about changing the Chief Officer designations. This will eventually go to CFOG for a recommendation. This only affects our county.

EMS: Alan Hull/Larry MacDaniels

- We are in the last two months of the current contract and there will be some adjustments to determine cost savings.
- Quality improvement will meet again in April.
- The county is looking to implement 12 lead ECG. Some significant scene delays have been experienced with setting up the leads. Phil stated that AMR is monitoring scene times closely and would like the fire agencies to let him know about specific cases.
- EZ IO's have been purchased and there will be joint training and rollout no later than July. King airways may be implemented at the same time. King airways are an EMT-B function.
- Still seeking a BLS representative for the EMS Council.

Water Rescue: Stan Monte

- Clackamas County Water Rescue Consortium has been invited to a multi-company drill in Gresham.
- CCSO search and rescue deputies will begin to replace the marine deputies in the command structure. They are currently undergoing training.
- There is an area in our county, on the Tualatin River above Bull Head Dam, which is dispatched by WCCCA. The group is looking into why our water rescue group is not being dispatched to incidents in this location.
- Sandy Fire will be developing a training/informational memo on how to use the standalone 800 talkgroups in Sandy. A significant portion of the river will be covered by the standalone site. The memo will be distributed to the water rescue group, CDFDB and the Sheriff's office.

Fire Prevention Cooperative: Todd Gary

- Currently working on some public service announcements on different fire causes/defensible space. Looking at utilizing the county access channel, commercial TV, radio and print. The fire prevention messages will be sent out to the county at different times of the year.

OLD BUSINESS:

- OB-1: Multi-Discipline Outdoor Burning Enforcement Meeting Report: The meeting took place at Boring Fire on February 13 and DEQ attended. The minutes should be done soon and will be sent out to everyone. It was discussed that ORS 478 states clearly that the fire service does have the authority and responsibility to control burning and to deal with burning issues. DEQ has only one or two compliance people. They will not respond to a complaint unless it is significant. Discussion about a common burn message and education materials are being worked on through the fire prevention cooperative. Clackamas Fire District #1 is implementing a cost recovery program that includes a provision for responses to illegal burns. Further discussion followed about authority and the differences between the fire districts.
- OB-2: * Residential Sprinklers: Phil Sample drafted a letter to the county commissioners regarding the recommendation for the support of local control to require residential sprinklers. Concerns were expressed by chiefs that have boards that do not support this. Discussion followed. This will be voted on at next months meeting.
- OB-3: * Draft List of Committees: We are still seeking help on several committees: EOC; EMS – Backup for Alan; Water Rescue – CCFD#1 Fred Charleton will serve. Ken Cushman brought up a need to address fireworks issues in a committee. ODF will host a meeting. Disposal and storage of fireworks was discussed.

- OB-4: Update on Volunteer EMT tax break: This was discussed at the last meeting. A draft came through that includes firefighters and the location language was omitted. This is still pending.
- OB-5: * Update on SB162 – Larry MacDaniels: This SB needs to be followed closely. No movement as of yet.

NEW BUSINESS:

- NB-1: Community Wildfire Planning: Ken Cushman – Structural ignitibility, fire prevention cooperative projects and others have stemmed from this plan. The existence of a community wildfire plan may determine whether grant funding is or is not awarded when projects are near federal land. The executive, structural ignitibility and bio-mass utilization committees need additional representation. Will draft an e-mail to all participants showing where we are lacking and encourage the chiefs to designate people to help support this effort. Gene stated that Cindy Kolomechuk put many hours into this project, as well as the communities that participated
- NB-2: Doug Branch mentioned that the task force/strike team leader list will be updated.
- NB-3: Ed Kirchofer - Staffing and safety bills will probably get through legislation. This shouldn't cause a dramatic change in your staffing requirements for agencies. There are four bills relating to these issues.

PSAP REPORT:

C-COM:

- Goat Mountain will be changing to a simulcast site.
- Dana is working on obtaining a portion of the 100 portable radios that are in a cache at WCCCA.
- Ken discussed a problem where CCOM contacted ODF about a structure fire outside of the Molalla Fire District and were expecting them to respond. This has occurred before and ODF would like to meet with CCOM to discuss it further.

LOCOM: No report.

OSFM: No report.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- GO-1: Gene Juve - We recently had a need to activate the reverse 911 system. Documentation about how the system works and what it will do needs to be developed to make it useful for the county.
- GO-2: Gene Juve - Emergency Management is working on an Emergency Operations for elected officials course. This is evolving and by the end of the month the county commissioner will be hosting a couple of evening training sessions. The target group will be city elected officials and administrators.
- GO-3: Vince Stafford – Back on board getting a couple of MDC's that were mistakenly issued to Molalla Police.
- GO-4: Gerry Weise – The multi-cast system at Timberline is completed. Anyone who needs to use it will need to program the frequencies and PL. Contact Gerry for more information.
- GO-5: Ed Kirchofer – Our Board passed the cost recovery ordinance on Monday. Once this is finalized I will e-mail it out to all the CDFDB members.
- GO-6: Ed Kirchofer - John Oliver will be our chief training officer starting April 1, 2007.
- GO-7: Ken Cushman – ODF administers logging rules under the forest practices act. Sometimes the logging occurs outside of the ODF fire protection area. The fire districts may be left with the burden of debris piles remaining for extended periods of time and in locations that may not be desirable. The process needs to be looked at further and guidelines developed.
- GO-8: Ken Cushman – ODF radios systems will be narrow-band (repeaters, mobiles, portables) by April 1, 2007.
- GO-9: Ken Cushman – Thank you for your support of the food drive. Raised equivalent of 42K pounds of food during the auction.
- GO-10: Mic Eby – Working on getting the main station property into one land-use zone (currently in three zones).
- GO-11: Rod Yoder – Marion County got their communication plan back and has gone over it. A VHF trunked system is being recommended. We are seeking an available frequency to use as a working channel. We currently use the dispatch channel as a working channel.

- GO-12: Bob Morrisey – There was discussion about a revising the VHF template to include the new Timberline configuration for VHF F-4 and the ODF narrow-band frequencies. The radio committee will discuss the options.
- GO-13: Doug Branch – The next meeting is April 5th at Silverton Fire. Marion County District FDB has been invited to attend.
- GO-14: Doug Branch – The OFCA conference is April 12-14 and Metro Fire Chiefs is tomorrow at Portland Fire Training Center at 0900.
- GO-15: Gary McQueen – Sandy Fire received an AFG grant to replace their VHF equipment.
- GO-16: Gary McQueen – We will be looking for support for the Motorola MDC's soon. There are no service centers in this region.

Meeting adjourned at 1115 hrs.

Next meeting date: April 5, 2007 at Silverton Fire

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Morrisey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B" and a long, sweeping tail.

Submitted by Bob Morrisey