



County of Henry

Department of Public Safety

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Emergency Services Advisory Council (ESAC) Meeting Minutes

The ESAC meeting was held May 21, 2014 at the Henry County Emergency Services Training Center. The meeting was facilitated by Rodney Howell, Director for Henry County Department of Public Safety.

Agency attendees were as follows:

Jeff Fulcher (BRS), Junior Lynch (BFD), Darrell Pace (CFD), Tommy Martin (DSFD), Daryl Hatcher (FCRS), Brian Shuler (FFD), William Martin (HFD), Donald Turner (PHFD), Cotton Trent (RFD)
Rodney Smith (RRS)

Agencies not present:

Axton Fire Department, Axton Life Saving Crew, Horsepasture Rescue Squad

Public Safety attendees were as follows:

Rodney Howell (Director), Matt Tatum (Deputy Director/EMS Coordinator), Suzie Helbert, (EMS Training Coordinator), Kiah Cooper (Asst. Fire Marshal, Kenny Shumate (Volunteer Coordinator), Pam Mason (Secretary)

Public attendees were as follows:

Randy Smith

The minutes from March 18, 2014 were approved.

Old Business:

Communication

Chris McCullough is preparing to change radio frequencies (SAF OPS to LZ OPS), starting week of 05/19.

Communications being more specific on call detail i.e. cross streets and if possible land marks.

On smoke investigations, dispatch needs to be more specific as to what kind i.e. house, vehicle, brush fires.

Heavy Tactical Rescue Team

HazMat OPS class started on May 12th.

Landing Zone

The Communications Center has already been set up with this. Radio SAF OPS channel will be changed to LZ OPS. Chris McCullouch will start programming radios the week of 05/19/14. Existing Standard Protocol for all landing zones remain.

Brian Shuler requested the Rangley Landing Zone be changed to Victory Baptist Church. Request is per the flight medics as it is well lit and accessible.

Appreciation Dinner

Everyone enjoyed the dinner with additional entertainment. Suggested to try again next year.

New Business:

RIT Team

Suggested HCDPS staff to visit each station and be familiarized with each units equipment placement.

Also discussed each station and company have apparatus equipment placement similar for easier access when different personell running calls.

Discussed RIT Packs for units. Too costly w/o grant.

Discussed access to equipment to test pumps and hose testing.

Conducted planning session for ideas to improve fire & EMS. See attached for discussed areas to be focused on.

Comments from Public

None

Upcoming Training:

See attached for a list of upcoming training classes.

Next meeting date. Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Brain Storm Session Ideas for Both Fire & EMS (ranked in importance):

Training
Recruitment
Volunteer Rewards
Communications
Team Work Approach
Radio Traffic
Man Power Study
ICS Incident
Safetu On-Scene
Community Awareness
Consolidate Awareness
Consolidate Grants
Dispatch Ride Alongs
911/HC Sheriff's Office attendance in ESAC meetings
Standardize Trucks
LapTops for Chiefs and Captains

Other Ideas:

Fire Department Funding
Response Times
Sole Dispatcher for Fire & EMS



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Upcoming Training **Updated 05/08/2014**

Incident Response to Terrorist Bombing - Understanding and Planning for School Bomb Incidents May 17, 2014 -8-5pm - Sign up with Lisa

ESAC meeting May 21 at HCDPS 6:30pm

Basic Pump Class - May 27,28,29,30 2014 6-10pm -Sign up with Lisa

Beyond Hoses and Helmets - May 31, 2014 – 8-5pm -Sign up with Lisa

Fire/ Rescue Defensive Driving Class June 8, 2014-1-4/5-8pm - Sign up with Suzie

VAVRS EVOG Trailing course: June 14 2014 – 9a-1p - Sign up with VAVRS.COM

Fire Association training Day – Pump and Extrication - June 21, 2014 at HCDPS

Rescue Association meeting June 23, 2014 – Station 18

Mass Casualty Incident Management - MCIM I & II – June 28, 2014 - Sign up with Lisa

VAVRS ATV course: June 28-29 2014 - 9a-6p both days - Sign up with VAVRS.COM

Firefighter II - September 8, 2014 - Sign up with Lisa

EMT Class – Beginning August 21, 2014 (Deadline July 31, 2014) Sign up with Suzie

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