

**EMERGENCY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD  
BRUNSWICK COUNTY  
April 27, 2010**

The meeting of the Emergency Services Advisory Board was called to order by Chairman, Charles Jones followed by a prayer.

**Those present:**

<b>Charles Jones</b>	<b>Ebony Volunteer Fire Department</b>
<b>Chip Hill</b>	<b>Ebony Volunteer Fire Department</b>
<b>Brad Rogers</b>	<b>Brodnax Volunteer Fire Department</b>
<b>Connie Moore</b>	<b>Brunswick Rescue Squad</b>
<b>Tommy Johnson</b>	<b>Alberta Volunteer Fire Department</b>
<b>Buddy Hyde</b>	<b>Alberta Volunteer Fire Department</b>
<b>Wade A. Richardson</b>	<b>Gasburg Volunteer Fire Department</b>
<b>Trina Cox</b>	<b>Brunswick County Sheriff's Office</b>
<b>Joy Seward</b>	<b>Brunswick County Sheriff's Office</b>
<b>Bill Parrish</b>	<b>Dolphin Volunteer Fire Department</b>

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

**Training**

Bill Parrish reported there would be a Pump class held at Brodnax VFD on May 8&9. The class will be 16 hours long and start each day at 8am. There are 16 signed up already.

**Budget**

Tommy Johnson reported the 4 for Life money (\$14,802.32) was in the county and ready for disbursement. He stated that in past years we had used the 30% to Brunswick Rescue, 30% to Central Rescue, 30% to Alberta Rescue and 10% to Lawrenceville First Responders.

Connie Moore asked why this breakdown was used and why it wasn't broke down by call volume?

Chairman, Charles Jones said that it had been decided several years ago to use this formula based on the fact that this money could only be used to replace medical supplies used on calls.

Tommy Johnson made a motion that we use the old guidelines again this year. The motion was seconded by Brad Rodgers. All were in favor with no descending votes. The motion passed.

**Some discussion followed about keeping all of the invoices for the expenditure of these funds in a separate file at the Rescue Squads. This will provide easy and quick access if the county should ever be audited. All were in agreement.**

**Connie Moore suggested the formula be changed for next year to 40% to Brunswick Rescue, 25% to Central Rescue, 25% to Alberta Rescue and 10% to Lawrenceville First Responders.**

**The Chairman said this would be addressed at next years meeting.**

**The Chairman thanked Bill Parrish for his help in getting the request forms out to the Rescue Depts. for the 4 for Life money.**

### **Communications**

**Bill Parrish reported the radio work was on-going with a hold up on waiting for the new dispatch console to be installed at the Sheriff's Office. Trina Cox said this work is moving along.**

**Bill said he was also involved in trying to eliminate the bleed over from York County. Both counties are working on the problem at this time.**

**Buddy Hyde asked about static over the last couple days. There is no apparent reason for it but Chip Hill stated that it could be because of the weather change. He said that even though we are moving to new radios and adding new towers we are still dealing with RADIOS and they are susceptible to weather and other interference.**

**Trina Cox stated the dispatchers were getting a lot of calls about radio problems. She asked if the departments would inform their people about the on-going radio work.**

**Chip Hill stated that the only persons calling dispatch about radio problems are the OIC and not every individual person. These calls should be at a minimum.**

### **911**

**Trina Cox reported a new Page Out process. Page Out would be normal but the dispatcher would give out the address and cross street only once and that would be at the time the first unit marked up responding. She said this was discussed at the Chief's meeting and they were in agreement. This will be implemented soon.**

**Chairman Jones asked that all persons take this info back to their departments so everyone understood what was going to happen.**

**Connie Moore asked if the 10 check calls from dispatch had been stopped? She said they hadn't gotten any all month long.**

**Trina Cox said that they had not been stopped and she would follow-up with the dispatchers to make sure this was still being done.**

### **Recruitment**

**Connie Moore reported meetings have been postponed until further notice.**

**Buddy Hyde asked if there were any plans for the Prom Night mock-up? He said there was much interest in it.**

### **LEPC**

**Chairman Jones reported the next meeting is scheduled for May.**

**Buddy Hyde reported the Red Cross Push packs were sent back to be packed and sealed as a single unit.**

### **Fire Leaders Summit**

**Buddy Hyde reported the Hydrant Map rough draft is completed. Look over and provide any correction and/or additions.**

**Buddy Hyde reported the "ID Card" project was underway. The Chief's had voted for it. He passed out one of the proposed cards for everyone to look at. They need to get individual critical data and pictures. He said John Taylor from South Hill VFD had put the program together and wanted to take the pictures at one location on a Sunday afternoon.**

**There was much discussion about this and it was decided that a Sunday afternoon at one location was not suitable to the Brunswick departments. Chairman Jones suggested that at least 2 locations be set-up in the evenings to accomplish this task.**

**Buddy stated that this would not be acceptable to John Taylor because he only worked during the day.**

**Bill Parrish stated that Brunswick County should have someone trained to do the pictures and data input also. This would make it easier to keep up with as we get new members to add.**

**Chip Hill stated that he would go get trained by John Taylor to do this for Brunswick.**

**Buddy Hyde said he would talk to John and get back to Chip.**

**Tommy Johnson reminded everyone the Grant period is here again.**

### **Old Business**

**Chairman reported the Website has been renewed for 3 years.**

**Trina Cox stated that Guy was redoing the appearance of the site and she was working with him on this effort.**

**Buddy brought up that the Hazmat Class was a success. There was some discussion on what was a passing grade. 20 students had passed the final test.**

**Buddy also reported that 18 students finished the EVOC class.**

**New Business**

**Bill Parish stated the Fire Chief's met and decided to convert the Fire Leaders Summit to the Brunswick County Fire Chief's Association. They felt this would provide the departments with a little more backbone in critical matters in the future. He also thanked Buddy Hyde for his past work with the Chiefs.**

**Connie Moore made a motion for the meeting to adjourn seconded by Chip Hill. Meeting adjourned.**

**Please mark your calendar for the next meeting on May 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lawrenceville Town Office meeting room.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**By Chip Hill  
For Annette Jones  
Secretary**