

Oneida County Fire Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

To: Anthony Picente
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cc: Those present (see attached list)

Meeting Date: June 17, 2019

Meeting Location: Oneida County DPW

The June 2019 meeting of the Oneida County Fire Advisory was called to order at 7:00 PM on June 17, 2019. Chairman Eaton led the pledge.

Mandryck had distributed the May 2019 meeting minutes to the members before the meeting. There were no corrections offered. A motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was made and the minutes were approved by the board.

The following topics were then discussed:

1. Emergency Services

- a. There was a discussion about National Grid responses to emergency calls. National Grid has requested a list of critical intersections. Revere will send out an email requesting a list of critical intersection and why.
- b. Radio system is turned on testing is underway. Mobile coverage is good. Buildings are still hit and miss. Areas such as Camden and Verona are still having issues. It was noted that i-Phone chargers can interfere with radio reception.
- c. A Bluetooth microphone paired up with a mobile radio can extend range and it works with portables or mobiles. Cost is approximately \$375. Chief Eaton noted that he has used one for some time.

2. Legislators

- a. Flisnik has requested a list of who has radios. He has received a list and is waiting to find out how many each group has gotten.
- b. Chad Lawrence was contacted about grants for a drone program. There are not any grants available at this time.
- c. Flisnik requested that an update on towers be provided to the Fire Advisory Board.
- d. Furgol and Clancy thanked the volunteers for their work at the expo.

3. Fire Prevention

- a. A check has been sent to the supplier of the smoke house. The trailer for transporting the smoke house is done. Requests must be made to the 911 center for its use.

4. Expo

- a. There were over 1000 students at the expo and over 90 volunteers. Nineteen students from the Fire Academy served as volunteers.
 - b. There was a discussion about alternating the expo with a Rome location. This will be reviewed.
 - c. Smoke house will be in Utica on June 22nd and Durhamville on June 19th
5. Fire Police
 - a. Waiting for call back from the Boilermaker officials. Revere will follow up.
6. Radio Committee (No Report)
7. EMS
 - a. "Stop the Bleed" trained 50 people in May. Additional classes are being scheduled.
 - b. Also providing Narcan training. Revere to send out recent article on incident where recipient of Narcan confronted and shot first responders to serve as a reminder of what can happen at a scene.
8. Cause and Origin (No Report)
9. Volunteers Association
 - a. Convention was well attended.
 - b. Next Expo set for May 29, 2020.
10. Chiefs Association
 - a. Meeting July 11th in Stitville.
11. Old Business
 - a. The use of "plain Language" was discussed.
 - i. The radio committee recommended that Chief's cars should remain as they are now. Use plain language for all other vehicles. Deking stated that he is known as 350 by four counties. Changing to plain language in Oneida County is likely to cause confusion.
 - ii. It was noted that the Radio committee did discuss this issue and decided to move to plain language. The change was first proposed for January 1, 2019 and then moved back to July 1, 2019. This was disputed by Deking who said that the county made the decision, not the radio committee.
 - iii. A request was made to let the chiefs decide this issue. It was rejected as it restated that the radio committee had made the decision.
12. New Business (None)
13. Next Meeting
 - a. The next meeting will be held September 16, 2019 at 7 PM at DPW.

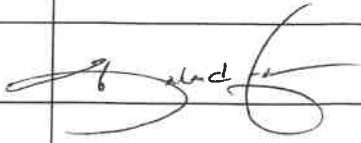



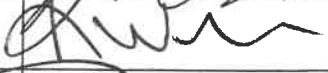












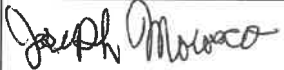
Respectfully submitted,



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