



LANCASTER COUNTY FIRE POLICE TASK FORCE

Meeting Date: July 8, 2022
Location: Station 32 – Fivepointville Fire Company
Present: President / Commander - Luke Gerhart
Deputy Commander - Bob Billett
Vice President / Task Force 2 Captain – Merle Weaver
Secretary – Kevin Fuentes
Task Force 3 Captain – Jason Beiler
Absent: Task Force 2 Sergeant – Robert Truitt
Member – Les Fazekas
Guests: Brad Polon, Facility Manager – AWP
Stan Cottrell - AWP

The meeting was called to order at 1308
Merle lead the group in prayer.

Brad Polon and Stan Cottrell, from AWP, gave a presentation on how AWP works. While primarily working with PP&L out of Berks County, AWP has been hired to assist with traffic control at some Lancaster County events.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the previous month’s meeting minutes.
A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the previous month’s treasurer report.

Reports

SCTF

No word on the status of their re-organization.

Additional Meetings

Luke attended the LEPC meeting. Meeting focused on HazMat issues related to foam used by Fire Companies which is no longer allowed. If this type is used insurance will no longer cover any claims stemming from injuries.

Task Force Response to Incidents

None.

Website

There was a discussion of on the upcoming events at East Petersburg and Bird-In-Hand and using the site for signups.

Task Force Captain Reports

Task Force 1 Captain

No report.

Task Force 2 Captain

Zone 3 Fire Police Captains meeting was held on May 28th. Station 3 will have a new Tanker housing in July. Chief’s Association will make a decision on how to name the command at calls. Choice between current name, such as “*Command 32*” and “*Command 1300 Dry Tavern Road*”.



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County is discussing cutting down chatter by eliminating Squads and Fire Police from contacting County when responding and arriving during a call.

Task Force 3 Captain

Discussed Squad 66-3. All Station 66 Squads now have LED tripods.

Traffic Unit Inspections

None.

Committee Reports

Membership Committee

No report

Fund Raising

Still looking at sponsoring car show and/or food truck show in 2023. Will look to Bob Truitt for assistance in organizing.

Training

Station 33 has finished with their Basic Fire Police Course. Station 15 is conducting an Advanced Fire Police Training. Station 19 will be conducting training in July.

Old Business

Task Force Van

Few things left inside. Merle will ask his son to help strip the outside.

Calvary Church

LCFPTF is not allowed to help as Manheim is a 1 Township. Church can not hire their own staff to direct traffic per law. Issue is now mute.

East Petersburg Days

East Petersburg will provide a donation but will not say how much. Luke was able to determine previous donations to the Fire Company seemed to be in the area of \$250.00. Further, East Petersburg **will not** provide insurance coverage.

Bird-In-Hand Balloon Days

Still waiting to hear if Bird-In-Hand's insurance will cover the Fire Police that volunteer to assist.

Badges

Luke distributed badges. All those receiving badges signed a document stating they are responsible for replacing the badge if lost.

Fire Police Association

No response from Association on letter sent by Kevin.



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New Business

Wish List

Kevin reviewed the wish list that was sent to Brian Pasquale.

Amendments to Constitution, By-Laws and SOGs

Kevin conducted the first reading of the amendments to the Constitution, By-Laws and SOGs that will formally change the titles of Commander and Deputy-Commander to Chief and Deputy-Chief.

Treasurer

As per our By-Laws, Luke would no longer be allowed to hold both the President and Treasurer position effect July. Kevin nominated Bob Billet to be the Task Force's Treasurer. Nomination was seconded and approved.

Good of the Company

Nothing.

Having no further business, a motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn the meeting at 1616. Next meeting will be on July 13th, at Bowmansville Fire Company, Station 33, starting at 1300.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin T Fuentes
Secretary,
Lancaster County Fire Police Task Force