

**FAAB MEETING – DELAWARE FIRE SCHOOL – NEW CASTLE – NOVEMBER 17, 2022**

**ATTENDEES:**

Mike Shaw, Representative, District #1 N/A	AsstChief Donald W. Holden, NCC/ESC N/A
Eric Haley, Representative, District #2	Chief Mark Logemann, NCC/EMS
Brian Reeder, Representative, District #3	Patricia Fox, President NCCFCA N/A
Andy Hall, Chairman/Representative, District #4	Ken Dunn, County Executive's Office N/A
Dennis Godek, Vice-chairman, Representative, District #5	Councilman William Bell N/A
Fran Williams, Representative, District #6	Karen Barlow, Councilman Bell's Office N/A
Dave Majewski, Sr., Representative, District #7	Stephanie Mohr, County Executive's Office N/A
Chief Jeffrey P. Miller, NCC/ESC N/A	
AsstChief William F. Streets, NCC/ESC N/A	

**1900 HOURS:** Chairman Hall called the FAAB meeting to order; there were no corrections/additions/deletions to the minutes from the October 20, 2022 meeting; **MOTION WAS MADE BY REPRESENTATIVE HALEY AND SECONDED BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAMS; MINUTES WERE APPROVED.**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS:** Assistant Chief Holden: N/A  
**Personnel/Staffing: 800 MHz:** Discussions.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:** Chief Mark Logemann:

**Paramedic Academy:** Chief Logemann reported that we still have all eighteen students; they are doing their Resuscitation Academy today. By mid-December, they will be done all classroom studies and will be in the field portion of their paramedic schooling which will last until early February, 2023. About February 15, they will be preparing to take the National Registry and released to us and continue onto the field training portion and doing all their paramedic field training with us. **Retirements in EMS:** There will be two retirements, Dave Lawrence and Don Kennard; information regarding their walkouts will be forthcoming. **Resignations in EMS:** There have been two resignations since our last meeting; discussions centered on difficulty with staffing; recruitment processes for the next academy; actively recruiting for certified paramedics; etc. Questions/discussions continued on shortening the length of the Paramedic Academy; County Government improving options of retention of current employees; offers in salary increases and signing bonuses; staffing problems are nationwide; etc.

**NCCFCA:** Nothing to report.

**NCCVFA:** Nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Chairman Hall:

Vice-chairman Godek asked if there was any reply to our letter regarding District #3 additional funding (letter sent to County Executive Meyer, et al, on October 25, 2022). Chairman Hall has received no reply; as a form of follow-up, it was requested that the letter be re-sent (done via email on November 28, 2022).

**NEW BUSINESS:** Chairman Hall:

**Impact Fee Items:** Vice-chairman Godek asked if it would benefit the board if Matt Rogers from Land Use attend a NCCFCA meeting to give a tutorial on the impact fee process; Impact Fee Chairman Haley and Co-chairman Majewski suggested that both NCCFCA and NCCVFA be given this “tutorial” so as to benefit/educate both organizations via a workshop. **Request for Disbursement of Fire and Rescue Impact Fee Funds:** Chairman Hall reported that a letter was received from the County Executive Meyer informing the receipt/approval of, in this instance, Elsmere Fire Company’s Impact Fee request. Thus, following through with the FAAB’s request last month.

**IMPACT FEE REQUESTS:** Impact Fee Chairman Haley; Co-chairman Majewski: no requests.

**COUNTY GOVERNMENT:** AsstChief Ken Dunn N/A

**DISTRICT REPORTS:**

***District #1:*** Representative Shaw; N/A

***District #2:*** Impact Fee Chairman/Representative Haley: **Grid Changes:** Every department has to set up a meeting with Fireboard to facilitate these changes. **Companies that are done:** Stations #11 and #25; Stations #3 and #6; Station #16. Station #13 is in progress; they are changing their grid sizes (S/APL – F/M Chris Williams is aware); Station #12 is modifying the size of the grids (GIS will write it then put it into the CAD); Stations #24 and #7 are in the “meeting/update” process; Station #19 has requested the grids but have done nothing else. Representative Haley recommended that *a follow-up with your chiefs to avoid issues is necessary.*

***District #3:*** Representative Reeder reported that both Aetna and Mill Creek have been notified to set up an appointment with S/APL-F/M Chris Williams.

***District #4:*** Chairman Hall; nothing to report; Chairman Hall asked Vice-chairman Godek to assume the Chair at the next FAAB meeting; December 15, 2022.

***District #5:*** Vice-chairman Godek has no district report; **Fireboard Committee:** Representative Haley and Vice-chairman Godek met with AsstChief Holden and Quality Assurance Coordinator Snyder on November 3. Vice-chairman Godek was surprised that, *from the time the phone was picked up and dispatch time, they don’t consider the call as being received until it’s coded.* Initial questions asked; (the time) is never captured (it’s there, but never captured). It was confirmed that NFPA 1221 is followed (there’s another NFPA standard being considered, as well). They do have 90-seconds on certain types of calls, but their timing starts when the call goes from EFD to a classification (when you see EFD, their time didn’t start yet); when it goes to structure fire, that’s when it starts. *They understand what we are looking for and attempting to accommodate us.* First Watch®, Pro/QA and the CAD are three different places that capture the information -- Pro/QA (when coded, it changes). Discussions continued on the importance of knowing from the time the phone is answered until it gets dispatched as an important piece of information; *this impacts the customer.* All are in agreement that we need to go forward and fix it; information gathered will be through First Watch® (working on current issues); *we will be getting the information we want.* **Discussions:** when things should be dispatched even before it gets

up to the dispatcher (this should happen); the way the dispatchers are assigned (frequencies); the decision dispatcher; electronic dispatch (with reservations); etc. Next meeting is scheduled for December 6.

Representative Majewski asked if there was another national committee other than the NFPA standards; NENA; *how do other PSAPS get graded?* Vice-chairman Godek responded that we need to look at the accreditation standards; *need to look at NENA and APCO standards; Emergency Communications follows NFPA 1221.* Discussions continued on EMS standards, EMS Improvement Act 332; etc.

**District #6:** Representative Williams; nothing to report.

**District #7:** Impact Fee Co-chairman/Representative Majewski; nothing to report.

**REPORTS FROM GUESTS:** N/A

**NEXT FAAB MEETING DECEMBER 15, 2022  
AT DELAWARE STATE FIRE SCHOOL - NEW CASTLE  
FAAB MEETING WILL START AT 1900 HOURS**