

#### **MINUTES**

# Firefighter Mobilization Oversight Committee September 21, 2010 State Fire Marshal's Office

**Members Present**: John Reich, Alvin Payne, Karl Ristow, Bruce Kline, Mike Bedenbaugh, Wendell Wilburn, Tommy McDowell, Phil Jolley, Darryl Jones, Joe Palmer **Members Absent**: Ricky Platt, excused due to medical procedure, Kim Stenson EMD was present representing Ricky Platt

Others: Jason Pope, Daniel McManus, Ed Roper, Libby Hardwick

- Chairman Reich called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone at 10:00am
- Invocation given by FM Reich
- Minutes of meetings of January 21, 2010 and June 9, 2010 read and accepted
- Libby Hardwick presented the budget report
  - An overview of issues related to LLR's transition to SCIES Program and the unavailability to get timely and complete budget reports was given by Libby Hardwick.
  - O Karl Ristow made a motion to have detailed Firefighter Mobilization and US&R budgets completed by December of each year and submitted to the committee for approval. Line-item transfers greater than \$5,000 must be approved by the committee and any transfer between the FFM and US&R budgets must be approved by the committee. Motion seconded by Alvin Payne, motion passed.
- Daniel McManus and Jason Pope presented the US&R/Mobilization report. (See Attachment 1)
- Old Business
  - o None
- New Business
- John Reich presented three applications for the vacant Region 1 FFM Coordinator position.

- Of the three applicants, two were nominated. Mr. Charles V. King was selected by a vote of 6 to 1. John Reich will contact all three applicants and inform them of the committee's decision.
- Jason Pope mentioned the Region 7 FFM Coordinator position is still vacant and, we have not received any applications.
- Tommy McDowell made a motion for all participating fire departments to complete the FFM ID card project by January 31, 2012. Motion seconded by Wendell Wilburn and motion passed.
- Open Discussion
  - Alvin Payne asked about the policy on the use of state vehicles. John Reich stated he is the only LLR employee of the Division of Fire and Life Safety who is assigned a take-home vehicle.
  - o John Reich stated that all new US&R vehicles will be lettered appropriately.

Next meeting date will be November 10, 2010 at the State Fire Marshal's Office.

Motion to adjourn: 2:30pm

Respectively submitted with one (1) attachment,

Jason Pope

# **Attachment 1**

Assistant State Fire Marshal's Report September 21, 2010 S.C. Firefighter Mobilization Committee

#### US&R Task Force One

Status: Deployable

Task Force One is currently available for a modified Type I deployment with

• 123Active members strong, spanning 35 Departments and agencies

## US&R Training/Prop development

- Nov ORE cancelled / Squad competition in its place
- ORE to TBD sometime in early 2011
- Construction continues on the new US&R training grounds
- Bid complete for new equipment and schedule will begin soon
- 60 plus Rescue Specialist this past training
- 13k in saving for metal fabrication doing it in house

## **Equipment Cache**

- 2011 US&R Suburban Delivered
- 2011 3 US&R F-250 Trucks delivered
- Sustainment issues are a constant

#### Medical

- 4 active Medical Specialist, 1 Medical Manager
- Medical direction Liability insurance update

## Command/Communications

- SCEMD Bus/New Command Center solving a unique problem
- Conex container for TFCC, HART, FFMob

# South Carolina HART Program

• 4<sup>th</sup> Quarterly training in Oconee County, October 1, 2, 3 – 2010

#### Regional US&R

- Supported all Regional US&R Grant proposals to DHS for 2009/2010
- US&R Team Leader meeting, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 13:00 at US&R HQ (same day as Haz-Mat)
- Charleston US&R requesting a team assessment to be "validated" by its piers in the State US&R System. The same assessment will be used to bring Columbia online in 2011.

## Mobilization Coordinator's Report

To date, we have 203 participating fire departments with 5,967 personnel.

ACTIVATIONS: None in 2010

SC-TF1 is participating in the SCEMD Credentialing project. We will be entering the personnel data into the secure server at SLED and then produce FIPS 201 ID cards with the approved state card design.

The State Fire Project was resubmitted to SLED DHS for grant funding. It was NOT approved even though it received a high priority rating at the sub-committee level. The total request was for \$450,000; we had planned to purchase additional advanced identification instruments and wireless monitoring systems and issue them to established fire department hazardous material teams.

SEMS ID Card project: as of September 17, 2010, the following fire departments (37) have completed the project.

Aiken Public Safety (City)	James Island FD
Anderson City FD	Lancaster FD
Bamberg City FD	Midway Fire Rescue
Beaufort FD	Myrtle Beach FD
Belvedere FD	N Spartanburg Fire District
Bluffton Township FD	Palmetto Rural
Clover VFD	Roebuck FD
Colleton Co. Fire Rescue	Saint John's Fire District
Conway Fire Rescue	Simpsonville FD
Cowpens FD	South Greenville FD
Croft FD	South Lynches FD
Darlington City FD	Sumter City FD
Donaldson Center FD	Sumter County FD
Dunklin FD	West Columbia FD
Easley City FD	Williamsburg CO.
Florence City FD	Windy Hill VFD
Greenville-Spartanburg Airport	York City FD
Greenwood City FD	York Co Fire Prevention Bureau
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Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel B. McManus, ASFM Jason Pope, Firefighter Mobilization Coordinator