MEETING MINUTES

Hosted by Rohnert Park Public Safety

July 13, 2011, 9:30 am.

Attendance:
Larry Anderson Petaluma
John Marty Rohnert Park
Frank Treanor Rancho Adobe
Andy Taylor Rancho Adobe
Bill Braga Sebastopol/REDCOM
Dick Luttrell REDCOM
John Lantz Rincon Valley
Dan Northern Forestville
John Zanzi Sebastopol
Mike Jones Santa Rosa
Steve Adams Healdsburg
Ray Mulas Schell-Vista
Perter Van Fleet Glen Ellen
Matt Gustafson Windsor
Gary Duignan Red Cross
Doug Williams Rincon Valley

Call to Order: President Collins called the meeting to order at 9:45.

Host Chief Introduction: Chief Masterson welcomed the group to Rohnert Park and everyone involved in the July 4th apartment fire in Rohnert Park for their support.

Approval of Minutes: Chief Williams moved to approve the June Minutes, Chief Treanor 2nd the motion, all were in favor.

President’s Report: President Collins welcomed Petaluma Fire to REDCOM. The Fire Pals program is moving forward by the Prevention Section. Thank you to Chief Lantz who presented a program for the Succession Planning group on the Sonoma County Radio System.

Treasurer’s Report: Chief Northern reported the checking account balance of $1129.94; the W/O checking account balance of $15,657.87 (as of July 1st) and W/O CD of $116,448.36.

Correspondence: None

Presentations: None

Committee Reports

Training Section: President Collins reported the Training Section is forming bylaws. It appears that they will piggyback on the Chief’s 501 c3 status.

Prevention Section: Chief Zanzi – No Report

Operations Section: Chief Lantz the Operations Section is working on the transition of Active Status with Chief Northern.
**District Chiefs:** Chief Northern – The last meeting was held in Cloverdale. The District's approved the 2 year flat fee agreement for Financial Fees with the County of Sonoma. SB 288 has now passed and may make the agreement somewhat irrelevant. The County Auditor Controller and staff will attend the July 28th SCFDA Meeting in Geyserville to discuss the changes in administration, financial projections and some impacts of SB 288.

**Volunteer FF Association:** No Report

**REDCOM:** Director Luttrell – The Board will be discussing the Audit at the meeting next week. The addition of Petaluma to REDCOM is going as expected due to the dedicated work from the staffs of both agencies. The Dispatcher hiring process is going well.

**CAD Group:** Chief Williams – CAD met on June 21st. The latest edition of maps are out. Discussed the future of Cad Mapping due to budget cuts. Should be able to keep maps updated with grant money. Considering other grants for Pre fire plan and haz mat data.

**OES Operational Area:** Chief Williams – No activity. Still working on Active Status transition from Chief Northern to Chief George.

**County Fire:** No Report

**EMCC:** Dean Anderson – EMS office moved to new office on 5th street Public Health Building. Access is difficult, certs and re-certs should be done with an appointment or by mail. James Salvante is the contact. AMR Received the contract for Napa County, they are currently in the protest phase of awarding the contract.

**Legislation:** Chief Lantz - Watching AB 82 Vehicles Firefighting Equipment.

**Grants:** Chief Zanzi - Bill Braga and Dick Luttrell will be writing the AFG regional grant for pagers. Next week the Gang of 5 is meeting on terrorism grants. The gang of 5 will establish a list of priorities. If you have suggestions please send them to Chief Zanzi or Chief Aston.

Bill Braga – 2010 Homeland security grant for the Modcom for CalFIRE St. Helena ECC, which mirrors dispatching capabilities and equipment with REDCOM should be installed by the end of the year. The PO has been signed and will be going to bid by the County of Sonoma.

**SRJC Advisory:** President Collins - Next meeting will be the first week in November. Fall academy starts August 6th. JC going to turnout rental program. Low Angle Rescue will be added to the academy. DO1A will be offered in October on the weekends. The new EMC Instructor position has been filled.

**CHP Liaison:** No Report

**Red Cross:** Gary Duignan – Red Cross provided assistance to the victims of the Rohnert Park and Healdsburg fires. Remember Red Cross is available 24/7 call any time.

**Marin Chiefs Liaison:** President Collins - The group is meeting next week.

**Cal Fire:** No Report
Old Business:
- PCAM: Chief Williams - Discussed the participation response to date. Today was the last day to RSVP for the event.

New Business:
- SRA Fees: Chief Collins started the discussion on the new proposed fees and their impacts to the SRA areas of our communities. The group feels that this is not a result of CalFire initiating the legislation and that any stance taken should be shared with our local CalFire reps in advance. Chief Treanor motioned to share our opposition to the SRA fees with our legislatures in person and/or in writing giving the Eboard the flexibility to also write a generic letter to the editor or Close to Home section of the Press Democrat and to also be sent to other local newspapers if or when it becomes appropriate. Second by Chief Van Fleet. Carried Unanimously.

Improving Efficiencies:
- Shared Fire Chief Agreement Russian River/Forestville: Chief Northern - Russian River and Forestville have signed a 7 year Shared Fire Chief Agreement and the announcement for the new fire chief is out locally.

- Petaluma to REDCOM: Chief Anderson - Petaluma is pleased to be in REDCOM and the City of Petaluma is pleased with the results so far. Special thanks to Director Luttrell and Ken Reese for the training for Petaluma Firefighters.

Customer Service:
- Chief Treanor – Regarding the SFFD Funeral, 60 firefighters and 14 pieces of fire apparatus attended from Sonoma County.

- Chief Adams – Thank you to all who responded to the last 2 working structure fires in Healdsburg. Mutual aid crews were instrumental in protecting several exposures. The REDCOM dispatch system also worked very well dispatching 2nd alarm resources quickly.

- Chief Zanzi – City of Novato passed the agreement with Northwest Pacific Railroad. Trains will begin running today.

- Chief Williams – Still working on installing AVL in the trains so that REDCOM and MDCs can see where trains are at all times.

- Chief Williams – Santa Rosa, Rincon and Windsor are looking at consecutive station numbering.

- Chief Collins – One of our goals is to revamp the goals of the Widows and Orphans fund. President Collins and Chief Grinnell are working on the new By-Laws.

Good of the Order: None

Closed Session: None

Meeting Closed: The meeting was closed by Chief Collins at 11:17 hrs.

Next Meeting: August 10th – Coast Guard Training Center