

FIRE TRAINING CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: April 29, 2010 9AM

ATTENDANCE: FIRE CHIEF DAYTON SALTSMAN; FIRE CHIEF DOUG LEWIS; TRAINING CHIEF JOSEPH V. BRUNI; FIREFIGHTER RENEE NIEMAN; TRAINING CHIEF GUY KEIRN; TRAINING CHIEF TIM PILSON; DISTRICT CHIEF MIKE ZAMPARELLI; MR. MIKE COOKSEY, PINELLAS COUNTY PUBLIC SAFTY DIVISION DIRECTOR; CHIEF JIM TERRY; MR. PHILLIP A. BAILEY; GARY GRAHAM; MS. GABRIELLE BAIN

ABSENT: OPERATIONS CHIEF JAMES WIMBERLY; FIREFIGHTER STERLING FIELDS

Topic	Discussion/Recommendations	Action
Welcome/Introductions		
<p><u>Agenda Item # 1.(Old Business) Discuss Prerequisites for Fall Fire Academy</u> -Chief Terry started by describing Fire Academy classes where the students have EMT/Paramedic training and those with no Emergency Medical Training. He stated those with the EMS training seem to have a better understanding of how the Fire Academy Program is structured -The CPAT was also discussed and Chief Terry advised the board that most of the fire academy recruits that have graduated SPC's program, have successfully passed this test.</p> <p><u>Agenda Item# 2 (See Agenda Item # 3 below)</u></p>	<p>-District Chief Zamparelli added that requiring the EMS prerequisite will open 40 hours to more minimum standards training since they will not have to teach First Responder. -Fire Chief Saltsman then asked if the fail rate was greater for those that did not have the EMS training before entering the Fire Academy -Chief Terry mentioned that he has spoken with Nerina Stepanovsky, Director for EMS Department, about this before and two different tracks were discussed. He also said Mrs. Stepanovsky expressed concern over allowing students with only 75% completion in either the EMT or Paramedic Programs enter the Fire Academy because the pass rates are lower than they once were when the student has to take the EMS State Exam and attend the Fire Academy</p>	<p>-Chief Terry will contact Nerina Stepanovsky, Director for EMS Department to discuss scheduling options for the Fire Academy and EMS Programs -The Advisory Board passed the motion to have EMT, Paramedic or First Responder as a prerequisite to entering the Fire Academy for the September 2010 full time class.</p>
<p><u>Agenda Item # 4 Update on Ventilation and Forcible Entry Prop</u></p>	<p>-Chief Zamparelli said the prop will hopefully be completed and ready to use by September</p>	<p>None</p>

<p>-Chief Zamparelli gave an overview of the ventilation prop he and Lt. Paul Capo are currently working on.</p>	<p>2010.</p>	
<p><u>Agenda Item # 3. Update on Additional Classroom/Restroom/Shower Building</u> -Chief Terry advised the board that he had discussed different options for the limited restroom facilities with JC Brock.</p>	<p>-Chief Bruni recommended a permanent two-story building with classrooms -Mr. Graham stated he would look into Federal Stimulus money to use for a building -The Advisory Board also discussed ways to free up space at the training center by filling in the retention pond for use as a parking lot and possibly moving the administration to a location off site.</p>	<p>-The Advisory Board agreed on a subcommittee consisting of Mr. Cooksey, District Chief Zamparelli, Training Chief Keirn, Training Chief Pilson, Training Chief Bruni and a representative from SPC to provide input for a new building.</p>
<p><u>Agenda Item #1. (New Business) Update on Training Director's Meeting</u> -Chief Terry gave an update of the Training Director's Meeting he attended on March 30, 2010 at The Florida State Fire College. -As it stand right now the state test will come from The Essentials of Firefighting, 5th edition. Also, any minimum standards training that started after October 1, 2009 must have S130 and S190 in the curriculum.</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>None</p>
<p><u>Agenda Item # 2. Update on In-service Training</u> -Chief Terry said he and Phil Bailey were going to meet with the college attorney, Sid McKenzie, to discuss the Bluecard agreement with The Brunicinis.</p>		<p>None</p>
<p><u>Agenda Item # 3. Fire Engine Pump Repairs</u> -Chief Terry informed the committee the repairs on the engine recently have been completed by TEN-8 in Bradenton. He said they tend to be quicker and less</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>-Will use TEN-8 for repairs to the fire engines as they are also a certified Pierce dealer.</p>

expensive than other companies used in the past.		
<i>Adjournment</i> 11:10AM		

