

**West Deptford Township
Emergency Service Coordinating Council Minutes
May 14, 2012**

On Monday May 14, 2012 the Emergency Services Coordinating Council meeting was called to order by Chairman Chief Bilger at 1931 hours. The Council saluted the Flag, distributed sign-in sheets and April 9, 2012 minutes. Chief Zimm made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Chief Matson. Motion approved unanimously.

Chief Bilger requested all members provide their email addresses. Moving forward all minutes will be distributed electronically by the Administrator's office.

In Attendance

Colonial Manor	Rep. Chief Kevin Nordaby	Present
	Alt. Thomas Pickering II	Absent
Greenfields	Rep. Chief Marty Matson	Present
	Alt. Dave Raso	Present
Thorofare	Rep. Chief Phil Zimm	Present
	Alt. Brian Golle	Absent
Verga	Chief Jeff Bilger	Present
	Alt. J Miller	Absent
Public Safety Director	Mayor Ray Chintall	Present
Mayor Alternate	Eric M. Campo	Absent
Police Chief	Craig Mangano	Absent
Township Liaison	John Austin	Present
Citizen at Large	Mike Nahas	Present
Citizen at Large	Chuck Weikel	Absent
Recording Secretary	Robert S. Cargill II	Present
Emergency Management Coordinator	Joe Gill	Present
Vehicle Maintenance	Tom Jefferson	Absent
Public Works	Ed Coates	Absent

Fire Official's Report

See attached

Vehicle Maintenance Report

Chief Bilger spoke on Mr. Jefferson's behalf reporting that maintenance on aerial trucks are moving forward and all testing will move forward as scheduled. Mr. Jefferson can be reached via cell phone or email in his absence.

Training Committee

No report

SOG

No report

Police Chief

No report

Township Chief's Meeting

No report

Gloucester County Chief's meeting

Chief Zimm reported on a Bylaws update that occurred at the May 10, 2012 meeting and the development of a Radio Advisory Committee. The Radio Advisory Committee is anticipating the 700 megahertz system will be in place therefore moving dispatch back to 154. This transition shall occur over the course of a couple of years and there is talk of merging all county equipment together. Further information will follow.

Mayor's Alternate

Mayor Chintall spoke in place of Mr. Campo, updating the Committee as to budget meetings that are ongoing and plans on a budget workshop meeting, which will outline all department cuts. Mayor Chintall explained that the Township's budget cannot be finalized until the LFB responds to the Committee's request since the budget ultimately revolves around the Sunoco/El Paso settlements or court dates.

Public Safety (Mayor)

Mayor Chintall spoke on the idea of doing a coin drops at a RiverWinds concerts, and the proceeds being split between the Companies. Chief Matson stated this opposition and the rationale behind his opposition. The Mayor and Chief then exchanged ideas on how the Township could further support the Companies.

Citizens at Large

Mr. Nahas inquired if firefighters are able to bill homeowners insurance, which falls in line of the County's policy of billing resident's health insurance for Ambulance services. Chief Bilger stated this has come up previously and discussed previous examples of this practice and all involved paperwork and support issues.

OEM

No report

Old Business

Mr. Austin reported the NJ Division of Fire Safety conducted their audit and the final report showed West Deptford is compliant, especially in the area of documentation. There are recommendations to improve a few items; including the area of Finance; it was recommended we establish a Dedication by Rider under the uniform fire code. The ISO Rating audit was completed and Mr. Austin commended all fire company personnel for their part and to Mr. Jefferson for his excellent documentation and reports. A new ISO rating is expected this summer.

New Business

Chief Nordaby reminded all Chief's to purchase their flowers for the Memorial Day service. Chief Zimm informed the Council that he is in receipt of a letter from Colonial Pipeline stating they will be conducting pressure testing on their 6 mile stretch of pipes and complications could occur but are not expected, however any leakage that may occur is environmentally and physically safe. Chief Zimm also

updated the Council that per NJ Department of Labor, NJ State will not enforce the NFPA's guideline of turnout gear being replaced every 10 years. Chief Bilger stated that West Deptford now has a new gear vendor due to recent mishandlings and noted that he has been informed the 45-day turnaround time is a state contract not a vendor contract.

Public Comment

Mr. Nahas asked the record reflect the accomplishments of the WDHS Men's Lacrosse team and Mr. Gill's son, Brendan for being a large part of the team.

Motion to adjourn was made by Chief Nordaby seconded by Mr. Austin at 2024 hours. Motion approved by all.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'RS Cargill II', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert S. Cargill II