

# CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD



**March 20, 2008**  
FAB Meeting Minutes

**Next Meeting: April 17, 2008**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Office of Emergency Services**

**Members Present:** Barter, Larry, President, Brian Purol, Correspondence Secretary, Steve Lehnen, Mike Przybycien, Al Aikin, Rick Cole, Jr., Scott Cummings, Deputy V. Chair., David Himelein, Raymond Lawson, Ron Trippy, Al Hamm, Lance Hedlund, Jack Knowlton, Randy Shampoe, Bradly Rogers, Peter Fuller, Pete Samuelson, Recording Sec., Skip Cavallaro, Dennis Barmore, Robert Frank, Daniel Imfeld, Julius Leone, Jr. Richard Pollaro, Charlie Smith, Jon Stahley, Sgt. Rich Telford  
**Excused:** Tony Faso, Eric Fransen, Ronald V. Johnson, Michael Volpe, Thomas Fairbanks, Stephen Cobb  
**Absent:** Jeff Roberts, Alt., Keith Ahlstrom, Jim Breakey, David Himelein, Ed Hoene, Alt., James Shephard, Joseph Gerace, Robert Tworek

**Please contact the Office of Emergency Services at 716-753-4341 to be excused.**

Agenda	Description
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Chairman Barter at 7:35 PM with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.
Guests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rich was asked how he was making out with Verizon. All Cell one test pages came in at 7:00. All of Verizon test pages came in at 8:45 PM. He forwarded this to Verizon, and they said they would look into it.</li> <li>• Jack Knowlton asked about March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:40 AM and Rich will look into it.</li> </ul>
Approval of Minutes	A motion was made by Ray Lawson to accept the February Fire Advisory Minutes, seconded by Ron Trippy. Carried.
<b>Coordinator's Report</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Tony Faso report given by Julius: 3-20 Live Burn-Sheridan (Sheridan, East Town, Silver Creek, Forestville, R-71) 3-5 Attended 4 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Meeting at Maple Springs 3-9 Attended Butch Briggs Benefit at Chautauqua 3-11 Barn Fire at Hanover Center (Hanover, Irving, Silver Creek, Forestville, Sunset, R-71) 3-12 EMS Council at EOC 3-17 House Fire at Fredonia (Fredonia, East Dunkirk, Brocton, West Dunkirk, County Fire Police, Fire Investigation Team)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rick Cole reported: Attended banquets in Sherman and Ripley Attended an EMS Meeting at Westfield Hospital Attended the benefit for Butch Briggs. 3-30 Second Battalion Meeting at Portland Fire Hall at 9:00 AM.
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mike Volpe report. 1 Mutual Aid fire in Clymer
4 <sup>th</sup>	Skip Cavallaro reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• February 24<sup>th</sup> attended the Big Dip at Chautauqua</li> <li>• February 27<sup>th</sup> responded with Sinclairville to a 10-13 on Rt.60 mutual aid from Cassadaga, Gerry, Starflight and Allstar ambulance, 4 people taken to WCA.</li> <li>• March 5<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion Chiefs Meeting</li> <li>• March 7<sup>th</sup> responded with Fluvanna to a tractor trailer fire on I-86 mutual aid from Falconer,</li> </ul>

	Gerry and Hazmat team.
Deputy Coordinator	Bob Frank reported: Muster 2008 will be July 12 & 13. Please see "Responder" for more information. 3-18 Attended Fair Safety Committee in preparations to County Fair in Dunkirk.
Deputy Coordinator	Jon Stahley reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanked everyone for the "Big Dip" attendance and efforts.</li> <li>• Proposed the idea of renovating the EOC Garage Bays. We are thinking about starting to dedicate the 11 bays in memory of someone. He entertained thoughts about it. He would take submissions for names and review them before the Coordinators. The following representative from each Battalion will form a committee.</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Steve Lehnen</li> <li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Scott Cummings</li> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion Lance Hedlund</li> <li>• 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion Brad Rogers</li> </ul>
EMS Coordinator	Stephen Cobb reported: 2-24 Attended the Big Dip-A thank you to Chautauqua, Mayville, and Ashville, for their assistance at the Big Dip. 2-26 Meeting on Medical Director's contract at EOC 2-27 Chiefs Association Meeting at Ashville Fire Department 3-5 Attended the 4 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Meeting at Maple Springs Fire Department 3-12 EMS Council Meeting at EOC Have been working to get one departments recertification straightened out with the state. He will be sending Ellery Center the required paperwork to down grade to BLS which goes to WREMAC.
Rescue Captain	Denny Barmore no report. Big Dip-We were able to do an outreach project of water rescue with the Big Dip. We were not able to bring the cold water rescue training into the Big Dip. Next year, we may have 2 sessions. We may take the people who just took the cold water rescue class supervise the people regarding areas of training during the Big Dip. It was a very successful training on water rescue. The Big Dip may be scheduled in the area of Tri James, because the water is deeper. There may be times in the future where we address and have water rescue training for the purpose of safe rescue of horses and dogs, since we recently had 2 horses rescued in Sherman.
HM Coord.	Dan Imfeld no report. (Moving Hazmat Station to Mayville.)
Training Coordinator	Dick Pollaro reported: FF1 Blended Learning in session. HMIC-OSHA required for Chiefs is completed. <b>Coming Up:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Fire Police at Cassadaga on March 24, 31, April 7 (20)</li> <li>• FF1 at Taylor April 3 with Alm (11)</li> <li>• FBAA at Taylor on April 16 with Woodfield (4)</li> <li>• Hazmat Technician on April 23 at EOC-OFPC (10)</li> <li>• SSO at Murphy on May 5 with Ford (2)</li> </ul> We may not be getting free training hours from State in the future, due to budget cuts. SFI assessment by OFPC tentatively scheduled for April 29 at Little Valley. Training schedule on web site. Check regularly because new courses added as they are scheduled. Website Address: <a href="http://www.chautcofire.org">www.chautcofire.org</a> 2008 County Weekend at State Fire Academy September 12-14 <sup>th</sup> .
Tech Rescue Coordinator	Charlie Smith reported: One Ropes Drill and a Drill being planned.
Director of Emergency Services	Julius Leone, Jr. reported: Tonight the Coordinator Staff took a tour of the EOC and heard about the new technology that will be installed. Over the next couple months we will be better prepared for emergencies. EOC Garage-much volunteer labor has been going on to make it come together.

	<p>Hazmat team is moving in beginning tonight.          We were the 1<sup>st</sup> county in the state to complete 100% of our Niffers.          Meetings continue to be scheduled with the Coast Guard out of Buffalo. We are putting together plans to be submitted to Buffalo for projects.          We are looking for SWNN related communications money.          Robert Tworek is still recovering, cards/correspondence would be appreciated.          1-1-08 CISM-Mary Rollinger is now serving as the Chautauqua County CISM Clinical Director.          Barb Ertl retired as of 12/31/07.</p>
<b>Committee Reports-Where do you stand on the current projects and where are you going?</b>	
R-Fire	Dave Himelein no report.
Loan	Jim Shephard no report.
Mutual Aid	Lance reported a delay and they will meet and have a report next month.
Radio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jack Knowlton-nothing going on right now until they get more results.</li> <li>• Julius reported: SWNN testing is going on. April 8<sup>th</sup> will be retesting with Chautauqua County and Erie Co.</li> </ul> <p>They seem to have corrected the prior issues that were identified.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If SWNN communications is accepted, we are looking at the middle to late summer to utilize the system.</li> <li>• Goal is to have information out by Monday regarding FEMA Grants.</li> <li>• The Fire Board went on record 6 months ago that June 2010 is the gateway and then the Fire Companies will need to replace their radio equipment to SWNN.</li> </ul>
Facilities	<p>Denny reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invited workers to come out on Tuesday nights and Saturday mornings to get Hazmat moved.</li> </ul> <p>Bob reported: Dunkirk Training Center Maze will be getting laid out and put together.</p>
Vehicle Replacement Committee	<p>Skip reported:</p> <p>For those serving on the committee, there will be a meeting at 6:30 PM before the April 17, 2008 Fire Advisory Board Meeting.</p>
Awards	Pete Samuelson reported one Citizen and one Firefighter nomination.
State Fire Chiefs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ron Johnson no report.</li> </ul>
<b>Old Business</b>	<p>The committee for Long Range Planning is being formed and several names have been received to serve on the committee. At this point the committee will consists of Tom Fairbanks, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Ron Trippy, second battalion</p> <p>Off the FAB: Pete Dawson,-Lakewood, Rose Nelson, Celeron, Ron Keddie from Sheridan.</p> <p>Officers: Larry Barter., Pete Samuelson, Brian Purol, Eric Fransen, Scott Cummings</p> <p>Coordinators: Mike Volpe and Charlie Smith</p> <p>April 14<sup>th</sup> will be a meeting at 7:30 PM, Training Room 1. Gloria to send meeting postcards out.</p>
<b>New Business</b>	A benefit will be held for Dale VanValkenburg, March 30 <sup>th</sup> .
Adjourn	A motion to adjourn was made by Lance, seconded by Scott to adjourn at 8:25 PM. Carried.

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