

Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: January 12, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	ABSENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	ABSENT
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Meeting called to order at 2017 hrs

Guests: Ann Donegan's husband and children, Chris Capece a representative from Avalon Bay and Judith White a representative from CJ2 Developer.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

President had a moment of silence.

A quorum is in attendance.

Motion by Andrea Golinsky seconded by Rich Stone to suspend the normal order of business in honor of our 25th year anniversary member.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

President spoke and honored our 25th year anniversary member Ann Donegan.

Ann Donegan spoke to the membership.

Motion by Andrea Golinsky seconded by James Barkocy to suspend the normal order of business for a presentation by Avalon Representatives on affordable housing.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

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47 Chris Capece the Avalon Bay Development Director and Judith White from CJ2
48 Communications Strategy spoke to the membership about making us a marketing target for
49 affordable housing in Huntington Station.
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51 Motion by Mark Cappola seconded by Elizabeth Steenson to suspend the reading of the minutes.
52 **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
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54 Motion by David Mohr seconded by Joanne Vogel to suspend the normal order of business and
55 hold a special election for Saturday day captain.
56 **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
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58 Secretary confirmed non-probationary members present that signed the LOSAP sheet.
59 112 Eligible voters
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61 President opened the floor to nominations:
62 Sally Staszak nominated Tom Lemp, he declined.
63 Alyssa Axelrod nominated Scott Bielanski
64 John Maier nominated Jeffrey Brenner
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66 Elizabeth Steenson and Sally Staszak tallied the ballots as the meeting continued.
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68 Motion by David Mohr, seconded by Andrea Golinsky to accept the December General
69 Membership Meeting minutes as posted and amended.
70 **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
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72 Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.
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74 **President's Report – Roger Winter:**
75 12 Railroad Street Property will not be purchased.
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77 **Treasurer's Report – Mark Cappola:**
78 For the month ending December 31, 2008:
79 HCFAS Revenue \$5169.32 Expenditures - \$126,826.18
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81 **Election Results for Saturday Day Captain:**
82 Scott Bielanski 37 votes, Jeffrey Brenner 54 votes, Brian Bielanski 1 vote
83 Jeffrey Brenner is the 2009 Saturday Day Captain.
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85 Motion by James Barkocy seconded by David Mohr to destroy the ballots.
86 **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
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88 **Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:**
89 It is with a great pleasure that I am Chief of the Squad this year. We as Officers are NOT looking
90 to make any big changes. We have decided to take a few steps backwards to Move forward and
91 complete some of the Projects that are still open. We would like to be able to work with each

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member of the Squad to make this a place that you would like to spend some free time. Give us your input and suggestions.

- Ambulance one in mid February and the other mid March
- Dispatch Room: The cork board is back up, Work space, Key box, Lost and found.
- Dispatch console (looking to go live the second week in Feb)
- Please close the door of the dispatcher's office when there is a call running. The dispatcher is in charge of the dispatcher office and can ask you to leave it.
- EPG Gear Keith Rubenstein is now in charge
- Bin outside the BLS cabinet with all instructions for EPG gear
- Racks for EPG Gear Cap. Mar looking after this
- Washing Machine for EP Gear Chief and Keith looking after this.
- Safety Vests are on the way
- Class A uniforms Patches by Feb, 2009
- Post 215 now comes to the Officers meeting and gives a report. This is a big step. Just look around you and see how many members are former post members or better still look and see how many of your Officers started in the Post 215. These are tomorrow's leaders. I would like to thank everyone who helps out in the Post.
- Donna Smith BLS Supplies New Chair.
- M. Brenner is helping the 2nd Dep in looking at what equipment we have in the Ambulances.
- ALS Supplies New Chair

It's only the 12th day of the month and we have completed 222 calls. The year started off full speed ahead when we had a fire and had to call in Greenlawn, We had two of our Own Ambulances 2-15-25, Chief and 3 Captains on scene.

- CPR calls 2
- MVA 8 Saturday
- 5 Ambulances and two first responders ready to go during the snow.
- Food done by David M.

Crew for December and January will be picked at the first Officers' meeting in Feb. It is not going to be an easy job to pick. A lot has happened.

- CPR call on December 20, 2008 the crew found a mother with a full term baby covered with a blanket. Havery Lapidus, Patty Salajka, Mark Cappola, Jonathan Korets, Kathy Geary, Reina Gomez, Keith Rubenstein, Mike Barker and Tyler Gibbs. Crew will receive award from T.O.H.
- CPR Call on 01-09-2009 and yet another save. C. Schlieben, T. Lemp, K. Cruz, P. Kelly, R. Gierbolini, K. Manning, R. Aldana and P. Veghela 48 Y/O M doing well.
- Car on TOP of Male
- 01-11-2009 Two house fires in Huntington. Multiple units from HCFAS on hand. 2-15-25 at the second fire with Halesite as our in house crew, we also had a back up crew in the event they were needed
- 222 calls in the first 12 days of the year 4 call 24.

Thanks to the BOD for the December Meal

Thanks to Brian and everyone that helped out at the Holiday Party

Well done to all that helped out at the Children's party.

HOUSE CLEANING:

- All crews let's keep the place clean.
- Do NOT place any memos, letters or any bulletins on the walls, doors or in the bathroom. The Officers have being told to remove them. If you wish to put up anything please do so on the bulletin board. Please date and sign it, it shall be left up for 30 days and then removed; if not dated and signed it shall be removed. By order of the Chief.
- Overnight people/Crews please check to see that all light are turned out before going to sleep. Take a walk through the building and check.
- All doors should be kept closed at all times, DO NOT prop door open it is not safe and it let the heat escape.
- We the Officers have no problem with you washing your car, BUT if you are going to do then we would want you to wash one of the vehicles. That NOT much to ask.

A DATE TO REMEMBER LONG ISLAND FIRE & EMS SHOW ON JANUARY 24 AND 25 2009. LOOK FOR THE POSTING.

Let's remember to RESPECT ONE ANOTHER.

Thank you and have a safe month

First Deputy Chief's Report – John Maier:

Personnel records are being reviewed and updated.

Company 8 letter will be sent to re-apply.

Driver training: Tom Romano is responsible for.

Phone Roster with dates will be distributed.

Two Fire's thanked those that came out.

Second Deputy Chief's Report - Joseph Denimarck given by Chief:

Review training deadlines discussed.

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

Routine maintenance on rigs & vehicles done.

Dishwasher waiting for switch old one shorted out.

Sue Bolen & Lehti Laas planted bulbs for the front flower garden. This will be quite nice this coming spring.

Problems with lights on rig, lights are on order.

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:

First, I would like to thank the membership for allowing me to serve as your Chief Dispatcher. I would like to thank Tomoko for heading up the dispatch training committee which to this point has been very successful in moving new members through the required classes.

I would like to explore all avenues that I can to put permanent dispatchers on as many shifts as possible. We are looking into certain measures that would allow us to use more of our members in this capacity. I would ask any permanent dispatchers if they could do an extra shift once or twice a month to please let me know.

This past year we did 5,731 calls, approximately 350 more than last year.

In the coming weeks we will be moving to implementing the CAD system and eliminating some of the written paperwork.

I will update you next month on our progress.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Matt Cappola given by Chief:

Going fairly well.

Monday Co. 2 Captain's Report - Maureen Umberto:

Thanked Monday crews and all people who help on the day.

New members are Lumi Hazelton on the 1100-1500 & John Connors on the 1500-1900.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone:

Help is needed for the 1100-1500 a driver and 2nd crew. Help is needed for the 1500-1900 a crewleader or driver and 2nd full crew. Please either email or call me if you can help out, thanks in advance.

Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo given by Chief:

Needs help 1100 shift

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

I would like thank everyone, for their help over the holidays. I would also like to congratulate Ann Donegan for her hard work with the organization for 25 years. I look forward to working with everyone again. I still need help on my 1500-1900 shift so if you can listen up I would appreciate it. Thank you

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts:

Thanked his crews and back-up.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:

Thanked his crews and back-up.

Requested help for overnight.

Chief stated that the Town will present a crew with a Proclamation and that Class A patches will be placed on the uniforms.

Delegate Reports:

Andrea Golinsky Delegate Dist. 7:

Discussed Avalon Bay presentation, see her for clarification.

Health Benefit Bill discussed.

Board voted to renew District 7 membership for Squad and individual members.

Revitalization project at new 7-11: traffic light will be moved for safer street crossing.

Robert Franz :

LOSAP 2008 Points – Bob Franz:

The 2008 LOSAP Point listing posted on the bulletin board is being updated periodically. It is requested that each member review their points and report in writing any discrepancies to Andy Ball of the LOSAP point committee. The deadline for review trainings is January 15, 2009. The final list will be sent to the Town of Huntington in March for Town Board approval.

NYS Income Tax Claim for Volunteer Firefighters' & Ambulance Workers' Credit for 2008 – Bob Franz

The NYS Department of Taxation and Finance has issued Form IT-245 to claim the \$200 refundable credit for 2008. As per the instructions, **you cannot claim the credit if you receive a real property tax exemption that relates to your volunteer service under Real Property Tax Law.** The ambulance workers' credit is available to full-year NYS residents who are active volunteer ambulance workers for the entire tax year for which the credit is claimed. A draft copy of the Form IT-245 & instructions is posted on the bulletin board. If you have any technical questions, consult your independent tax advisor.

10 % Property Tax Exemption – The filing deadline is March 1, 2009 for property tax year 12/01/09 to 11/30/10. Members who are currently receiving the tax exemption will be recertified by the Squad by the deadline date. Current recipients who moved or sold their home prior to March 1, 2009, please drop a note with your detail information in Director Bob Franz's mail box. If you moved and purchased a new home, you must fill out a new application form for your new residence. Members who will be eligible for the first time (achieved 5 years of service or purchased a home by 3/1/09), please complete an application form and place it in Director Bob Franz's mailbox before Friday February 20, 2009. To be eligible, your name must be on the property deed, the property must be your prime residence and be in the Town of Huntington and you must have 5 years of active squad service by March 1, 2009. For members with 20 or more years of service by March 1, 2009, the property can be located anywhere in Suffolk County (Call Bob Franz at 631 421-9121 for specific details).

Note for members currently receiving the property tax exemption: If you do not want the Squad to renew your property tax exemption for 2009 (12/01/09 to 11/30/10) because you intend to take the \$200 NYS income tax credit for calendar year 2009, please put a note in Bob Franz's mailbox prior to February 20th.

Committee Reports:

Alyssa Axelrod:

There is another ALS bag, any questions ask her.

Donna Smith:

Notify her if you still want to remain on the BLS committee for key access.

The Stand-bys are listed downstairs.

Anne Gabriel:

ACLS classes coming. ALS for the BLS provider class is in the future.

Jerry Giacomini:

Discussed what uniform items probationary members receive and asked people to please read the signs.

Old Business:

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274 James Barkocy spoke to the membership about the Post 215 SOP that was approved. He will be
275 putting in for a change to the SOP that will require the permission of the crewleader for Post 215
276 member to ride.

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278 **New Business:**

279 President thanked members who assisted in the meal served prior to the meeting.

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281 **Raffle Winners:**

282 Paul Rittenhouse

283 John Palmieri

284 Clara Eliot

285 Andrea Golinsky

286 Mary Winter

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288 Motion by Elizabeth Steenson seconded by John Maier by to adjourn the meeting at 22:28
289 hours.

290 **Motion Approved Unanimously**

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292 Respectfully Submitted,

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294 *Sue Bolen*

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296 Recording Secretary

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300 *Lehti Laas*

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302 Secretary

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304 Draft sent to members: January 27, 2009

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Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini
Vice President Canty had a moment of silence.
A quorum is in attendance.

Proposals: Motion approved under New Business for Mark Davis Memorial Fund donation.

Motion by Jeffery Brenner, seconded by Mark Cappola to suspend the reading of the minutes and accept the January General Membership Meeting minutes as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.

President's Report – Roger Winter: read by Vice President Canty

Treasurer's Report – Mark Cappola:

Review of Reducing Electricity Consumption for 2009 and Beyond:

In 2008, the LIPA bill for electric consumption for HCFAS was in excess of \$76,000. It is incumbent upon in this time of economic hardships as contracted to the Town of Huntington and to the taxpayers to seek immediate and long-term ways to reduce the amount of electric consumption in our facility. Not to mention the fact that the Town severely reduced our submitted HCAD budget for 09.

In the short term, everyone can do their part to turn off lights and electrical appliances when not in use. Being cognizant of the fact that we use so much electricity on a daily basis should be enough to help all of us remember to cut back on electrical usage whenever and wherever we can. We need to make the paradigm shift in our thinking when it comes to managing resources.

In the long term, we are exploring ideas and projects that may reduce our overall consumption of electricity. And provide us with alternative supplies of electricity. These include:

1) The exploration of our participation in the New York State SCR Curtailment Program, which pays participants to be on call and to actually be able cut off their LIPA power supply and use their backup generators to service their building in times of unusually high power demands, such as heat waves. If our generator fits the criteria, we may be able to and want to participate.

2) Look to National Grid or an independent firm to conduct a “demand side Management assessment to see if there are ways that we can internally reduce the consumption of electricity.

3) Explore alternative sources of electrical generation such as solar power. The current administration in Washington is proposing incentives to uses of alternative sources of electricity and we are awaiting the final outcome of those proposals to see what way works best for us.

So, here is our new mantra: “Kill the lights, not your day captain.”

In the meantime, we continue to pay the bills, we made our bond payment and are awaiting the first of our payments from the Town for the 09 Budget.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

Moment of Science for

TIERS VOLUNTEER MARK DAVIS SHOT, KILLED IN CAPE VINCENT

*Let me start of by thanking everyone for all the work that they are doing to promote the Squad and to help out.

*The Officers would like to extend an invitation to the GMM for all to come to the Officers Meeting which will be held on WEDNESDAY MARCH 4TH AT 7PM to pose questions or to give us ideas. If you wish to attend please e-mail (subject OFFICER MEETING) to the Chief at dheavey@hunterambulance.com with your question or idea. The Officers would like to get your input.

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*The Chiefs Orders have being placed in a book in the Dispatcher Office; this book should NOT be removed.

***Congratulation's Probation Ending:**

Thursday: Carolyn Niceforo # 1223 full member 02-01-2009
Chris Evers # 1216 full member 01-02-2009 sorry Chris for the over sight last mth.
Saturday: John Korets # 1219 full member 02-01-2009

A Christmas Miracle *mark you calanders*

As I mention at the January G.M. that the Crew that saved the baby life on Saturday, December 20, 2008 they will receive an award from the T.O.H. at there meeting on February 10 at 7pm. Let's all get out and support the crew, be at H.Q. in Class A Uniforms no later than 18.30hr.

Town Of Huntington St. Patrick Day Parade

The 75th Annual Huntington Saint Patrick's Day Parade will be held on **Sunday March 8, 2009 at 2pm** All Members wishing to March should Sign Up and be in Class A Uniform and be at HQ no later that 12.15pm. Parade Line up at 1pm to kick off at 2pm Promptly. We will have the **Clan Gordon Highlanders Pipe Band** marching with us.

2009 Annual Installation and Inspection Dinner Dance

Don't forget it on the night before The Huntington Saint Patrick's Parade. Make sure you have your responses in.

RE-VIEW TRAINING

The Re-View training is out for February and all Members should be doing it.

WORK DETAIL

A WORK DETAIL WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY 28TH DAY OF FEBUARY 2009 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10AM AND 4PM.

ALL PROBATION MEMBERS MUST ATTEND.

To Contact the Chief:

1-631-921-0181

dheavey@hunterambulance.com

dominic.heavey@yhao.com

First Deputy Chief's Report – John Maier:

Roladex Sheet is available for members to update their information.
Company 8 and driver training update given to membership.

Second Deputy Chief's Report - Joseph Denimarck given by Chief:

PCR class in the works. Parking in the train station was mentioned.

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

Repairs on rigs ongoing.
New Ambulance will arrive in a few months.
Work detail mentioned.

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone read by Chief:

We have had over 470 calls in the month of January and our 24 rate is up. Therefore if anyone is available especially during the morning and early afternoon during the week please try to listen up. We really need dispatchers on Wednesday, 1100-1500. Mary Jane is out on a Medical leave so I will be doing her 7-11 on Wed., but we need help on her overnight shift and the remainder of the day.

Thanks to Mike Barker, Nancy Courtemanche, and Eileen Burns for their help.
Our dispatch classes are continuing very nicely thanks to the dispatch committee efforts. Say hello when you see our new members in the dispatch office.
I also want to thank Annette Hershkowitz for taking it upon herself to sit with our members that need extra help learning the CAD system.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Matt Cappola given by Chief:

I apologize to everyone for not being able to attend tonight's meeting. I am very appreciative to all those who have helped me out on Sunday so far this year, however I still have had some 24s. If people can just leave their pagers on and listen up I would really appreciate it.
Just want to remind crews that checkouts must be done on every shift.

Once again I apologize that I cannot be here.

I also wanted to take the time to tell you what has been going on around the squad on Sundays
The stand by:

02-08-09 at Commack treated and transported one Patient. We covered their district while they had their installation dinner.

02-08-09 at St. Anthony's we did a standby for the rowing competition and Treated 7 Patients
Transport None.

02-08-09 at Gloria Dei Church Post 215 participated in Scouting Sunday. Well done POST 215

Monday Co. 2 Captain's Report - Maureen Umberto given by Chief.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone given by John Maier.

Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo given by Chief.

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

Carolyn Niceforo is off probation.

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts read by Jeff Brenner:

Friday's have been running very well. Several people have been running back up calls or have been stay a few hours more than their shift and I do appreciate that. If anyone would like to pickup a few more riding hours, I have a few shifts that would be grateful to have you so just give me a call.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:

Advancements- off probation John Korets 1219

5 years – Alyssa Axelrod

Saturdays have been running very well and many thanks to everyone who has been coming out.

I need a FULL CREW for the overnight every week.

Chief informed the membership that Officers were in discussion to allow EMT's to fill PCR's if a Crewleader is not available in the building and a call will be 24'd. Membership commented.

Chief discussed the A/B Crewleading pilot program. Membership commented.

Delegate Reports:

Andrea Golinsky Delegate Dist. 7:

Information on EMT killed given.

EMS Memorial information given.

Next District 7 meeting will be at Brentwood Legion Ambulance.

Board approved our membership dues.

Committee Reports:

Jim Barkocy reminded ALS providers to remove controlled substances & notify Al Szigethy when a rig needs to be repaired.

He also reminded the membership that he placed an SOP change on the recently approved Post 215 SOP.

Membership had a discussion on the SOP change.

Chris Winter informed membership at 2114 hrs that his sister, Casey Stone, member #920 just gave birth to a healthy baby girl, Rebecca Carey Stone. Membership applauded.

Discussion on Post 215 SOP resumed.

Alyssa Axelrod-ALS Committee: Solu-medrol red kits added to rigs for neurogenic shock.

Jerry Giacomini-Uniform Committee: requested that Officers be aware of what probationary members receive.

Chief reminded members to bring EP Gear with you on your calls. Can't wear it in the building & hooks on ambulances will be explored.

Andrea Golinsky-Public Relations Committee: February 28th is the Girl Scouts Gold Awards and a Driver and Crewleader are needed.

Vice President Brian Canty:

Installation dinner RSVP is due.

Saint Patrick's Day Parade will have corn beef and cabbage.

New Vehicle is 90% complete.

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Robert Franz :

I put articles in the February Pulse regarding the 2008 NYS \$200 Income Tax Refundable Credit for Volunteer Ambulance Workers and the 10% Property Tax Exemption. Does anyone have any questions? Property Tax Exemption application forms were put into those member's mail folders who I could determine may be eligible for the exemption. I have not received many applications back so far - my deadline is February 20th - If anyone needs an application, please call me or see me after the meeting.

Our Volunteer Ambulance Workers Benefit Law (VAWBL) coverage is being provided by Public Employer Risk Management Association (PERMA) effective January 1, 2009. If a member is injured on duty, claim forms are located in a folder after the letter "Z" in the members' mail folders file draw. ID cards are located on each ambulance.

Donna Smith-Stand-by report given

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion by Robert Franz seconded by Chris Blackwell to authorize and approve a donation of \$100 to the Mark Davis Memorial Fund. HCFAS Members Dues Fund

MOTION APPROVED

6 Monitors given to members who raised their hands interested in them.

Raffle Winners:

Laurie Hoffmann, Annette Hershkowitz, Monica Mulchandani, Carolyn Niceforo, Sal Signorelli

Charles River Jackets:

Medium raffled: Andrea Golinsky

2XL given to Ronnie Weinhofer as the only interested party.

Motion by Andrea Golinsky seconded by Millie Gabriel to adjourn the meeting at 21:40 hours.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Lehti Laas

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Secretary

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Motion by Mark Brenner, seconded by Mark Cappola to donate a dollar per member to the Fire Fighter Fund. Not to exceed \$250.

HCFAS Funds

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

President's Report – Roger Winter:

- Suffolk County Volunteer Firefighters Burn Center Fund Inc.
“Dollar Per Member Appeal”
- Proclamations distributed
- Life Members: Mike Milo, Phil Orlando, Tom Hogan , Pins
- Brian Canty – Installation Dinner
 - Best attended, behavior of the members, quiet during presentations, I congratulate all the members in attendance.
 - Phil Orlando and John Palmieri were an outstanding duo, as masters of ceremonies.
 - Anne Maloney, Stephanie Moore, Mary Jane Woznick, Jill Decker, Chris Blackwell, Karen Martin, Sue Martin, Kati Dolgin, Erica Alicea, Joanne Vogel, Chief Dominic Heavey, Matt Cappola, Luke Bartolomeo, Jody Kavanagh, Robert Loysch, Reina Gomez, Cecilia Renderos and Post 215 members hauling flowers.
- Brian Canty – St. Patrick's Day Parade
 - Carmen Schlieben, Tom O'Leary – Set up
 - Brian Canty, Tom Lemp, Bernie Hershkowitz, Millie Gabriel – Cooks, serving
 - Tony Cruz, Lehti Laas, Bob Loysch, Sue Otto, Mary Winter – Clean up.

Board Approvals:

- **Suffolk County Ambulance Chiefs Association - Membership**
- **NYSVA&RA Legislative Day on April 27th**
- **NYS EMS Memorial Ceremony in Albany New York on Wednesday May 20, 2009**
- **Class A Uniform patches**
- **Brothers II Landscaping**
- **Creative Compositions photographer Installation Dinner**
- **HP Laptop Computer Director's Office**
- **HP Laptop Computer Officer's Secretary**
- **Fire Chiefs' Council of the Town of Huntington Dues**
- **Onsite Medical Service**
- **2009 Budget**

Treasurer's Report – Mark Cappola:

The 2009 HCAD Budget has been approved as amended and work is underway to finalize the HCFAS Budget. It will be presented to the Board for approval when completed.

The auditors have nearly completed their 2008 Audit. They have expressed to me their satisfaction with the continued improvements made to our accounting practices and with the assistance they have received from all members of the Board and our Office Manager Justine in compiling the necessary data to complete the Audit.

Federal regulations now require non-profit organizations to develop and maintain strict

adherence to "conflict of interest" policies within the organization, and to provide statements attesting to same as part of the IRS 990 filings. We are working with legal council to bring the organization into compliance.

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- 1) The exploration of our participation in the New York State SCR Curtailment Program, which pays participants to be on call and to actually be able cut off their LIPA power supply and use their backup generators to service their building in times of unusually high power demands, such as heat waves. If our generator fits the criteria, we may be able to and want to participate.
- 2) Look to National Grid or an independent firm to conduct a "demand side Management assessment to see if there are ways that we can internally reduce the consumption of electricity.
- 3) Explore alternative sources of electrical generation such as solar power. The current administration in Washington is proposing incentives to uses of alternative sources of electricity and we are awaiting the final outcome of those proposals to see what way works best for us.

So, here is our new mantra: "Kill the lights, not your day captain."

In the meantime, we continue to pay the bills, we made our bond payment and are awaiting the first of our payments from the Town for the 09 Budget.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

I would like to say well done to Casey Stone and Ex. Chief Dispatcher J. Stone on the Birth of their Baby girl.

All the best to Pam and Paul Beirsack on their wedding.

To the BOD and the Officers that got installed on Saturday evening well done.

To all those that got awards well done.

Over the last few days I realized that we sometimes take things for granted. Like what goes on before we arrive at the Annual Dinner Dance. Invitations to be sent out hunting peopled down to get their response. Getting the Hall/Music Getting the program together/Flowers, Guest and their families/Communication between the President/Chief. Arranging Out going/Incoming

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BOD/Officers photos. Getting the Flowers/or any special drink/food. And then on the day getting all this pulled together. Then to find out the person who does this likes doing it. Well we all know who I am talking about it can only be Brian Canty.

Brian I just want you to know that my family and my guest were impressed. Thanks for all the hard work and then you found time to do it all again on Sunday.

Thanks to Melville and Commack Amb along with Christly, Jeremy and Keith who covered dispatching on Saturday evening.

To Brian and his committee well done on Sunday.

To Captain Mat Cappola great Job on Sunday you took the challenge and ran with it. To all the Officers and BOD along with the General Membership thanks for coming out to the Parade on Sunday.

Mark and your Band well done as far as I am concerned you finished out a great weekend for me.

To the Member of the Squad I would like to personnel thank each and everyone for coming out on Saturday and again on Sunday with your support.

Andrea the uniforms looked great on Sunday job well done.

The work detail went great thanks to the membership and to Roger along with Post 215 we got all the Vehicles and the Truck Room cleaned for Sunday.

TO STEP BACK IN TIME:

General Business:

1) Uniforms:

All members MUST be in the proper Uniform while on duty. The Officers along with the BOD have gone to a lot of trouble over the years to get the uniform Code together. Officers will be enforcing the uniform code.

2) Ambulances:

The NEW 2-15-21 and 2-15-16 should be soon at our door with thanks to the Ambulance committee. The photos are up on our web site.

3) 2-15-80; 81; 82; 88; 92:

- (a) If you are going to use one of these vehicles you must let the Dispatcher know and make sure that it is on the white board with your name and phone number.
- (b) Only SQUAD MEMBERS are to ride in these vehicles. Unless permission is given by the Chief or President.
- (c) Make sure that the vehicle is fuel up/clean and restocked before you park it.

4) **AB Crew :**

As of April 5th 2009 the AB Crew Leader will be suspended. We the Officers feel that this program is NOT going anywhere and the Officers have being in touch with all the AB people. We will assist the members in getting them through the ACL Program and the paper work that they fill out will be taken into account.

We as Officers will encourage all NEW members to become EMT and then enter the ACL program as soon as possible.

5) **CAD:**

We are going to go live with the CAD System on April 1st. The Chief Dispatcher and the Training committee have being working very hard on getting a flip card system in place. Jim has also put together a revised book to leave at the Dispatch Consulate to help anyone that gets in trouble. The committee will be teaching bought the old and new way in the event that the computer goes down. All this information will be in the Dispatch Office with in the next few days.

The Training Committee will be running classes over the next few weeks to help people out and answer any questions that need to be answered.

6) **PCR:**

- 1) A P.C.R. must be started for every Call. Whether a patient is found or not.
- 2) Run Numbers, One run number will be assigned to every call. If two ambulances are sent to that call then they will bought receive the same run number, and class the patient's as A/B and so on.

We have checked with the County and they inform us that it is up to each agency. By doing it this way we can keep an account on the calls and have a true number.

7) **REVIEW TRAINING:**

Everyone MUST have there February Review Training Done by the 27 of this Month. Failure to have it complied by this day will result in you being removed from your shift.

8) **AMBULANCE ORENTION:**

Ambulance Orientation shall be over seining by Eileen Burns, she is the Chairperson that will be handling all Ambulance Orientation.

The Officers have decided that they will NO longer be allowed to give the exam. By doing this we feel that the member will not be advanced before there time.

The Officers would like to thank all the members for there time and support. Remember we cannot do this with out your help. Some of our ideas need to be tweaked but that is why we bring them to you to have your input.

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230 Members Statements to Chief:

231 Mary Winter stated she would like the Post 215 SOP change to also include that ALS and
232 Drivers may request not to ride with Post members.

233 Sue Martin stated the CAD directions are not accurate. Discussion followed.

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235 **First Deputy Chief's Report – John Maier: (read by the Chief)**

236 I have nothing new to report tonight, just want to thank everyone for this last weekend.

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238 **Second Deputy Chief's Report - Joseph Denimarck given by Chief:**
239 **(read by the Chief)**

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241 **Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:**

242 Truck room overhead doors when leaving building a crewmember must open and close the
243 overhead door when leaving the building this is not the responsibility of the dispatcher

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245 Rotation of the rigs have been change back to the original rotation

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247 Damage to vehicles must be reported

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249 Thanks to all who attended the work detail

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251 **Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone: (read by Lorrie Stone)**

252 So far this year 4 members have passed their dispatching test and we have 7 others that will
253 be taking their test in the next two weeks.

254 There will be a new manual in the dispatch office within the next 2 weeks that will be a
255 simplified set of instructions on how to run a call using the CAD system.

256 There will also be a new script in the dispatch office that uses simpler language when we are on
257 the air. Most of these changes are small and should easily be able to be incorporated into our on
258 air responses.

259 As of 2/28/09 we have answered 892 calls. We had 17 calls that were twenty-foured out and
260 four calls that were twenty-foured into us.

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262 **Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Matt Cappola: (read by Mark Cappola)**

263 I apologize to everyone for not being able to attend tonight's meeting. I am very appreciative to
264 all those who have helped me out on Sunday so far this year, however I still have had some 24s.
265 If people can just leave their pagers on and listen up I would really appreciate it.

266 Just want to remind crews that checkouts must be done on every shift.

267 Once again I apologize that I can not be here.

268 I also wanted to take the time to tell you what has been going on around the squad on Sundays

269 The stand by, 02-08-09 at Commack Treated and Transported one Patient. We covered their
270 district while they had their installation dinner

271 02-08-09 at St. Anthony's we did a standby for the rowing competition and

272 Treated 7 Patients Transport None.

273 02-08-09 at Gloria Dei Church Post 215 participated in Scouting Sunday. Well
274 done POST 215

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Monday Co. 2 Captain's Report - Maureen Umberto:

Thanked everyone for all their help.
Permanent dispatcher is needed on the 2300-0700 hours shift.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone: (read by Chief)

Thank you to everyone for doing backup and extra shifts for me on Tuesdays, it is very much appreciated.
Help is needed on the 2300 shift- Crewleader or Driver every week and a Dispatcher for the alternate overnight, while Maryjane is out.
Other than that Tuesdays are great!!

Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo:

1100 needs help (stated by members in attendance)

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

A dispatcher on the 0700 shift is needed.

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts:

Friday's have been running very well. Several people have been running back up calls or have been stay a few hours more than their shift and I do appreciate that. If anyone would like to pick up a few more riding hours, I have a few shifts that would be grateful to have you so just give me a call.
Crystal Cruz is off-probation.
Crewleader needed for the overnight.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:

Advancements- off probation John Korets 1219
5 years – Alyssa Axelrod
Saturdays have been running very well and many thanks to everyone who has been coming out.
I need a FULL CREW for the overnight every week.

3 awards from county mentioned by Chief:

Service Awards given to Norma Signorelli, John Palmieri, Bob Loysch & Roger Winter.
Chief read a Certificate of Appreciation from the Police Department.

Delegate Reports:

Robert Franz :

2008 NYS \$200 Income Tax Refundable Credit for Volunteer Ambulance Workers,
THE 2008 LOSAP LISTING ON THE BULLETIN BOARD WHICH WILL BE SENT TO THE
TOH AT THE END OF THE MONTH AND SCHOLARSHIPS THAT ARE AVAILABLE
AND THEIR DEADLINE DATES. Does anyone have any questions? If anyone needs

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a SCHOLARSHIP application, THEY ARE POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD OUTSIDE THE DISPATCH OFFICE.

Our Volunteer Ambulance Workers Benefit Law (VAWBL) coverage is being provided by Public Employer Risk Management Association (PERMA) effective January 1, 2009. If a member is injured on duty, claim forms are located in a folder after the letter "Z" in the members' mail folders file draw. ID cards are located on each ambulance.

SUFFOLK REMSCO MEETING IS TOMORROW EVENING AT 7PM AT SCEMS IN HAUPPAUGE.

NYSVA&RA DISTRICT 7 MEETING IS TUESDAY MARCH 17 AT ISLIP EXCHANGE - AT 7PM THERE WILL BE A PRESENTATION BY SAFE HARBOR ON MORTGAGE LOANS.

SCACA MEETING IS WEDNESDAY MARCH 18 AT WYDANCHE WHEATLY AMBULANCE.

Committee Reports:

Alyssa Axelrod:

There are new check-out forms.

If meds are 1-2 months away from being expired, please pull it off the ambulance.

New Business:

Jim Barkocy read for the first time a Bylaws change that will be voted on that allows members to apply with no upper age limit.

Mary Brenner requested a thank-you letter be sent to the musicians at the post St. Patrick's Day Parade celebration

Megan Sarcona mentioned Keith Davis will be participating in St. Baldrick's this upcoming weekend.

Keith Davis thanked all those who attended the funeral for P.O. Glen Ciano.

Raffle Winners:

Chris Blackwell, Clara Elliot, Kevin Brenner, John Palmieri, Lorrie Stone, Megan Meyer & Jerry Giacomini.

Motion by Tony Cruz, seconded by John Palmieri to adjourn the meeting at 21:22 hours.

Motion Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Lehti Laas

Lehti Laas
Secretary

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369 Draft sent to members: March 30, 2009

370 Approved: April 13, 2009

371 **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: April 13, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	PRESENT
John Palmieri	PRESENT
Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
First Deputy Chief John Maier	PRESENT
Second Deputy Chief Joseph Denimarck	ABSENT
Third Deputy Chief Robert Loysch	PRESENT
Chief Dispatcher Richard Stone	PRESENT
Sunday Co. 1 Captain Mathew Cappola	ABSENT
Monday Co. 2 Captain Maureen Umberto	PRESENT
Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	ABSENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	ABSENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	ABSENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	ABSENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Meeting called to order at 2020 hrs

Guests: Jo-Anne Raia Town Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

President had a moment of silence.

A quorum is in attendance.

Proposal: Bylaws Change vote took place on upper age limits after Officers reports.

Motion by David Mohr seconded by Andrea Golinsky to suspend the normal order of business.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Jo-Anne Raia presented Sal Signorelli and Robert Franz Certificates from the Town Clerk's office.

David Mohr stated that at the Boy Scouts of America annual business dinner, Ex-Post Chief Advisor Brian Canty was awarded the Boy Scouts of America Leadership Award.

Brian was presented with a award and metal.

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Motion by Jeff Brenner, seconded by Elizabeth Steenson to accept the March General Membership Meeting minutes as posted and amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.

Andrea Golinsky thanked the membership for all their support the last few weeks since the loss of her son. She thanked those who contributed to her daughters breast cancer support group.

President's Report – Roger Winter:

- Signed off on the -2008, Ambulance Company Service Certification Form, Service Award Program , LOSAP as presented by Robert Franz
- We had an energy survey of the building performed by LIPA< T.M. Bier, Reliable Power Alternatives Corp. Awaiting on reports from LIPA, T.M. Bier. We will be consulting with National Grid to help us reduce our costs in this area.
- Activities for Post 215
- Easter Egg Hunt
- A new Duty Uniform Request Form #118
- A request from B. Canty to use the Meeting Room
- Post 215 Conducted a Spring Food Drive and collected over 5,000 pounds of food collected. Seventeen Post 215 members participated in this event. David Mohr and several squad members supervised.
- Approved a Brochure ,Large Sign, Street signs requesting volunteers, 2 A frame signs and a large recruitment banner all paid for by the Town of Huntington and coordinated by Andrea Golinsky.
- Approved Robert Franz to go to the PERMA Annual Conference and Meeting.
- Friends & Family Special Event Sunday, April 19, 2009, 11am-8pm. Notice down by the sign in.
- Call # 1162, our 150,000 call, a milestone for the squad was handled by the Saturday 1100-1500 crew consisting of the following crew members; Ashley Taylor, Pam Brenner Biersack, Alex Witkowski, Chris Whitcomb and Dispatched by Laura Treulich.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey: read his report.

Questions: asked for on-duty spots and to save food for on-duty crew.

First Deputy Chief's Report – John Maier:

Congratulated his father-in-law (Sal) for all his time to HCFAS.

Second Deputy Chief's Report - Joseph Denimarck: given by Chief

Non- rebreather's at hospital look at which one you pick-up to re-stock.

New buckle on long boards.

Ambulance due in week of the 26th.

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93 ALS for BLS provider class coming soon.

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95 **Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:**

96 Spoke about who to notify when an ambulance is off-line.

97 Fuel tank please notice level.

98 A summary of ambulance deficits was given.

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100 **Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:**

101 The CAD system has been up and running since April .5th. Things are going along pretty
102 smoothly, but there are some dispatchers that are not filling the information required on the
103 report screen. There are also some that have not filled in all the personnel and ALS response on
104 some runs. Please, if you are not sure what is required look through the Quick Guide when you
105 are dispatching. It is only a few pages long and has all the basic information needed to
106 complete a run.

107 For March we dispatched 419 calls and 24'd 7. For a 1.67%. County wide the percentage of no
108 response is 3.18%.

109 I spoke to county to today and nothing has changed regarding PCR's for a 24. All 24'd calls need
110 to have a PCR because we are required by the county to send them a copy.

111 Thanks to our Dispatch Committee members we are moving new people through their classes
112 and training very efficiently.

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114 **Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Matt Cappola given by Chief.**

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116 **Monday Co. 2 Captain's Report - Maureen Umberto given by Chief.**

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118 **Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone: given by Mary Winter**

119 A dispatcher is needed on Tuesdays 1100-1500 & 1500-1900.

120 Thanks to everyone for all of the backup and extra shifts.

121 Congrats to Elise Fischer & Meaghan Meyer on passing their dispatch test.

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123 **Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo given by Chief:**

124 1100 needs help

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126 **Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan given by Chief.**

127 Daytime help is needed.

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129 **Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts:**

130 Overnight needs help.

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132 **Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner given by Pam Brenner Biersack:**

133 Overnight help is needed.

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135 Chief was asked about Officers not in attendance.

136 Chief thanked President Winter for all his help over the last few weeks.

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138 Jim Barkocy read the By-Laws change that will be voted on:

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Current:

Article III, Section 2, Par.1

Applicants for first aid membership shall be between 18 and 65 years of age inclusive. There shall be no upper age limit for dispatcher-only and administrative applicants.

Suggested Change:

Article III, Section 2, Par.1

Applicants for first aid membership shall be at least 18 years of age.

A vote took place of non-probationary members present:

51 Yes

6 No

BYLAW APPROVED with an approval of more than 2/3 of membership present.

Motion by Joanne Vogel seconded by Brian Canty to destroy the ballots.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Delegate Reports:

Robert Franz : read his report

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Committee Reports:

Donna Smith: stated future stand-by assistance needed.

Old Business:

New Business:

Squad sponsored sailing team mentioned.

A member suggested that sign-in should be at the end of the meeting.

Raffle Winners:

Jeremy Boehm, Tim Ebert, Keith Davis, & Alyssa Axelrod.

Motion by Robert Franz seconded by John Maier by to adjourn the meeting at 22:02 hours.

Motion Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Lehti Laas

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Secretary

Draft sent to members: April 29, 2009

Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: May 11, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	PRESENT
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Sunday Co. 1 Captain Mathew Cappola	PRESENT
Monday Co. 2 Captain Maureen Umberto	PRESENT
Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	PRESENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	ABSENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	PRESENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	PRESENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Meeting called to order at 2015 hrs

Presentation by Chris Fischer given on a proposal for a squad sailing team.

Discussion followed and the President asked for a show of hands from the membership to indicate support of the idea of the BOD approving an HCFAS Sailing Team.

Of those responding to the show of hands, there was a clear majority voting in the affirmative.

Secretary confirmed a quorum is in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

President Winter had a moment of silence:

- Moment of Silence for the Passing of John Jazombek husband of Life Member Fran Jazombek, #257. Also for the passing of Douglas Scott, Father of Larry Scott Member # 1018. Also for the passing of Mike Smith husband of Donna Smith and father of Mike Smith. All members in the service of our country that are in harm's way.

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Motion by Mark Cappola, seconded by Martha Brenner to suspend the reading of the minutes and accept the April General Membership Meeting minutes as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by the Secretary.

President's Report – Roger Winter:

- Have any of you identified our active Charter Members? Robert Loysch, Margaret Colligan Cornelius, Bruce Blower.
- Board Actions
 - EMS Week Open House
 - Mayday Annual Maintenance on our Audiolog Recording System
 - Meals for EMS Week
 - Renewal of Insurance with Hubbinette Cowell Associates, Inc.
 - VSS Security service agreement on cameras and security system.
 - Approval of the Annual Inspection & Dinner Dance 2010.
 - HCFAS Sticker for the Home of A Proud Volunteer Lawn Signs.
 - HCFAS Post 215 Lock in Event on May 2nd.
 - Contribution of \$500 to the Suffolk County Ambulance Chiefs Association.
 - Purchase and Install a new scanner antenna.
 - Authorize Bob Franz to execute a ballot or proxy vote at the PERMA meeting.
 - Approve a New York State Volunteer Ambulance & Rescue Association (NYSVA&RA), District 7 meeting at HCFAS.
 - Approve the painting of all the steel doors, railings and post in the front of the building.
 - Purchase a vinyl decal with the HCFAS shield to give to members during EMS week..
 - Physio-Control Technical Service Support Agreement for all of the Life Pack 12's and battery charging systems.
 - Approved four Squad Scholarships for \$500 to be drawn June of this year.
 - Approved David Mohr's request to use the main meeting room on July 7th for a family function.
 - Approved the Mayday Annual Maintenance contract for the 2 position console in the dispatch office.
 - Approved construction of control station to the UHF channel for our new frequency. This is to satisfy the FCC requirement
 - Approved the purchase of tickets to Bruce Blower's retirement dinner. Bruce is a founding member of HCFAS and is the Founding Director of Handicapped Services for Suffolk County.
- Distribution of Shield Labels – in all mail slots. If you need an extra one sign the sheet provided.
- Distribution of Lawn signs – Pick up one on the way out of the meeting.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

It with deep regrets that we announce the passing of Michael Smith, husband of Donna Smith and Father of Michael Smith.

The Officers would like to thank all those that have helped out in all the arrangements for the Squad Service to be held on Tuesday evening at 8pm, all to be in Class "A" Uniform.

New Members:

We have had 5 New Members over the past few weeks they are,

Tuesday 11.00 to 15.00 Member # 1253 **Sheryl Roach**

Monday 23.00 to 07.00 Member # 1254 **Dillon Harvey**

Sunday 23.00 to 07.00 Member # 1255 **Mindy Scalzetti**

Wednesday 11.00 to 15.00 Member # 1256 **Brian Quinn**

Saturday 11.00 to 15.00 Member # 1257 **James Carney**

The Officers would like to thank the Recruitment committee for all the hard work.

The Officers would like to thank B. Canty and his committee for all the work that they are putting into the New Rigs. We received the New 2-15-16 on Wednesday evening and it looks good. Thanks to the Second Dep for the work that was done over the weekend in getting the Vehicle ready for work. Once we have received the Plates and the Insurance card I will meet with Brian S. from NYS DOH for the stickers.

Tom Romano will start the training this week on the New 2-15-16, I believe we will have 16 up and running in a few days, and the New 2-15-21 will be here in about 3 weeks.

The H1N1 (Swine Flu) The Officers have been keeping all member up to date in the Flu. The 2nd Dep, put out a re-view training on the H1N1 Flu for May. SCEMS have asked all Crew's to only send in two crew members on all calls with any Flu like HX, and to notify the Hospital before we arrive, this has been working well. Good work by all.

The Touch a Truck went well last Saturday May 2, 2009. Thanks to all that attended. It was great to see some None Ops present. (Roger, Andrea, Barney and Bob).

Rigs/Building:

All the rigs were detailed over the past two weekends. The Officer would like to thank all those that turned out to help, again the same faces showed up. We will have a work detail this weekend Saturday starting at 10am to when ever to get ready for Open house on Sunday.

2-15-81 will have a new antenna placed on it for the radio system, I am told this will help in some of the dead spots, this is for a trial only and if it works then we would like to replace the antenna on the 80, 81 and 82 car.

The Ice Machine was repaired and now has another leak in the corner, this is being looked into.

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I have asked the Officers and now the BOD and now I ask each and everyone if you are in the building that we make sure we turn out the light that are not being used. Many night /early morning I have come in and it is left on, the same goes for the photo copier.

We have a few House keeping problems; It has being brought to my attention that members are NOT cleaning up after them selves. I asked everyone last month to look in to this but it is NOT happening, (a) Over night crews must strip the bunks, fold blankets. (b) Crews must empty sink and clean up after eating. (c) EP Gear and Uniforms please Do NOT leave your uniform lying around the building and Do NOT leave your EP Gear in the bunk room. The 5 point Vest are being left all over the place, you are supposed to carry these around with you NOT leave them on the backs of chairs.

EMS WEEK MAY 17TH 2009 / MAY 23RD 2009

Sunday May 17th 2009 we will meet at St. Hugs Church for Service at 10am in Class "A" uniforms.

Open House will start at 12 noon and go to 5pm.

Wednesday May 20th 2009 EMS Memorial in Albany will leave HQ at 5.30am to arrive at or before 11am for Services. Class "A" uniforms. If everything is ready with 2-15-16 then it will go to Albany for the Memorial on the 20th.

There will be a list of Restaurants and such like places put up for you to get a meal during EMS Week. Please remember that the meal has to be gotten during EMS Week, it cannot be carried forward to the following week.

I would like to thank the BOD for all the work they have put into this year EMS Week.

Antenna for scanner.

The placing for the antenna for the scanner will be completed in Two weeks weather permitting.

PARADES.

We have being asked to take part in a number of Parades in the near future.

Huntington Detachment, Marine Corps League

Monday, May 25, 2009. Assembly at 10.30am step-off 11.30, Class "A" uniforms

Huntington Manor FD

Parade Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at 7.30pm.

Fair will be Wednesday 15th through Saturday 19th 2009

Firework July 15, 16 and 17th

East Northport FD

Celebrating its 101 years of service this year. The parade will be August 5th 2009 at 7pm.

Sign up sheets will be posted this weekend.

CAD SYSTEM

The CAD system has been running for a few weeks now and things are going well. We are still having a problem with some members NOT putting ALS providers on the forms, the Captains are looking after this along with the help of the Chief Dispatcher. The Captains have started to go through the forms and are addressing any problems with these members.

The next step is to remove the LOSAP paper work. We are looking into how we can do this and make everyone's job easier. Thanks to Jim and the Chief Dispatcher for all their work.

Fire Chiefs Council Report for May.

At the Chiefs Council meeting the Scholarship were drawn we had 15 in for the draw, sadly to say we did not have any luck this year.

The Beach Passes should be given out at the Next Chiefs Council.

EMS Memorial in Albany is May 20th. Leaving headquarters at 530AM
Crew of the month will be announced next month. It is back.

First Deputy Chief's Report – John Maier:

Hi everyone sorry I could not be at the meeting, but Family does come first sometimes. My middle boy is having his first Band concerts tonight at WWH and my oldest son is going to Stimson middle school and tonight is the orientation so I had to go to one of them.

Driver trains must look the new 2-15-16 and get familiar with it so they can show drivers. We have four people who just started driver training and Tommy R has already had sit downs with them. Thank you to all driver trainers for all their hard work.

Database up – I have been trying to get to update the database, but I am been having a problem that every time I come down to work on it I end up going on calls. I am looking now for any admin people who would be available to help me input the info in to the data base. I did spoke to ledie lass on this issue. If any has time and need work please contact me ASAP. Unfortunately this is why I have not put out a phone roster I will printout one this week with what ever we in there.

I just review Co 8 report the other day and some people will be asking to find shifts. They seem to be doing the same shift each week. Some are not keeping up with their hours.

If anyone has an issues with something or someone please put it in writing to me or the chief. It is hard to address issues when no one wants to get involved or be the bad guy.

Thank you to everyone for all the hard work you are doing

Second Deputy Chief's Report - Joseph Denimarck given by Chief:

> new 16 is ready to go pending NYS DOH certification. Please walk through and look around some of the items are moved. DO NOT Rearrange anything if you have comments email them to

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the new ambulance comm, or myself. Drivers will need to be INSERVICED by the driver training comm, before you can drive it some of the controls are different.
> on May 7th Alyssa Axlerod held a ALS Mtg, it was a disappointment only four members showed up. And only a few others responded that they could not attend, out of the 33 providers. Als response percentage is down to 62% for the month of April, compiled from the cad system data. Its about 80% accurate. Day time hours are especially bad if our two main day time responders cannot answer up. The dispatchers don't usually get anybody. Understanding members work and have school we need more providers to step up and help out. Our call volume is only going up. The officers would also like to see more ALS providers taking the 80 cars more often.

> new ambulance check outs will be out before the next GMM, when they are ready I will put out a posting and a mass emailing. They will also be printed on colored paper. I will be looking for feedback on them before we make them official. And thanks to Martha Brenner for helping get it done and organized.

> Non Core CME at HCFAS June 12th, Tom Latulere will be here doing a course on Fire Rehab and Rad-57 use. It will have a lot of good information for crew members at fire stand bys. You have to sign up with scems.

I don't know if I will make the meeting, do to work schedule. If you have questions, complaints or concerns. Please email them to me at 32.hcfas@gmail.com.

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch: read his report to the membership.

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:

1. We will be having a CAD review class for Day Captains and officers on May 18th and May 23rd. This class will cover how to enter and archive the calls on the CAD system. Sign-up sheets will be downstairs next to the roster. Review classes for members will be scheduled at a later date.

2. There has been a problem with entering ALS response system wide. This has been giving a false drop of our percentage of ALS response. It is important to remember whatever we did on the FCC log must be done on the CAD system. Re: the little y's in the box....

3. We have done 396 calls this month with 7 24's. Our percentage is 1.77 no response, county wide the negative response is 2.91.

4. We continue to need dispatchers on our day shifts.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Matt Cappola:

Dillon new member on Sunday overnight.

Monday Co. 2 Captain's Report - Maureen Umberto:

1100 shift needs help.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone:

- Congratulations to Meaghan Meyer on becoming a FA. and a late congratulations to Elise Fischer on passing her dispatch test.

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- 275 - Help is needed: 1100-1500 FA's
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277 - Thank you to everyone who has been doing backup and extra shifts on Tuesdays for me.
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279 **Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo given by Chief.**
280 1100 needs help.

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282 **Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:**
283 Morning crew had a save, congratulations.
284 1100 needs help
285 Everything else is going well. Thank-you.

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288 **Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts:**
289 Dispatchers needed on the 1100.
290 Crewleader needed on the overnight.

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293 **Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:**
294 Thanked overnight back-up.
295 Matt Valle welcome back.
296 Susan Biagi welcome.
297 Liz Mohr started on Saturday.
298 LOSAP- please make sure you sign both sheets.
299 Refueling at the start of your shift-please remember to do.
300 Come down on a Saturday, tons to do.
301 Full crew needed Saturday overnight.

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304 **Committee Reports:**

305 **Robert Franz:**

306 In 1984 we had referendum vote by the residents of the Huntington Community Ambulance
307 District (HCAD) to create the HCAD and in 1995, 1996, 1999 we had referendums for
308 establishment and amendments to our LOSAP Program. The Squad is asking for another LOSAP
309 referendum to amend our program to allow participants to continue to earn points for additional
310 benefits after they start receiving their benefit at the entitlement age of 65. All our neighboring
311 Fire Departments have amended their programs to allow this. The Amendment Referendum
312 resolution by the Huntington Town Board & referendum vote will probably take place in the last
313 quarter of 2009. You must be a registered voter to vote for the referendum. I have voter
314 registration applications available this evening for anyone who needs one or if you need one for a
315 family member or friend. As in prior years, we must get our members and their families out to
316 vote for this otherwise we will lose a very important benefit which is allowed by NYS law but
317 must be approved by registered voters in the HCAD.
318 The 2008 LOSAP Point Listing will be shortly approved and certified by the Huntington Town
319 Board and returned to us for posting on the bulletin board for the mandatory 30 day posting
320 period. Please review the list carefully when it is posted and report any discrepancies in writing
321 to the president.

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Articles were put into the May Pulse regarding various scholarships that are available for members and their deadline dates. As mentioned earlier, the HCFAS scholarship deadline will be June 1, 2009.

Andrea Golinsky-

-Class A fitting taking place in the near future.

-NYSVARA 5 members went to Albany.

-LOSAP law change for older members will need a referendum change. Meetings with Town Council members are being set-up.

-Community Day at Jefferson School June 6th

-County Legislature will be voting on a home rule bill to allow Suffolk County to add a thirty cent surcharge on cell phones to benefit EMS. We support it and will go in Class A to show affiliation.

-Holbrook Fire Department wounded warrior Corporal Chris Levi

- Steve Levy resolution for EMS providers to join county health care is not possible b/c the county is self insured. It may be done via the Town, the feasibility will be reviewed.

Old Business: None

New Business:

-Lawn signs are to display on EMS week to recruit.

-Citations by Assemblyman Andrew Raia distributed by President.

Raffle Winners:

Mets tickets: Dillon Harvey, Brian Canty.

Pam Biersack, Mary Winter, Monique Moreno, Diane Tanko, Bernie Hershkowitz

Motion by Jeff Brenner seconded by Joanne Vogel to adjourn the meeting at 21:40 hours.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully Submitted,

Lehti Laas

Lehti Laas

Secretary

Draft sent to members: June 1, 2009

Approved: June 8, 2009

Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: June 8, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	PRESENT
John Palmieri	PRESENT
Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
First Deputy Chief John Maier	ABSENT
Second Deputy Chief Joseph Denimarck	ABSENT
Third Deputy Chief Robert Loysch	PRESENT
Chief Dispatcher Richard Stone	PRESENT
Sunday Co. 1 Captain Mathew Cappola	ABSENT
Monday Co. 2 Captain Maureen Umberto	ABSENT
Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	PRESENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	PRESENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	PRESENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	PRESENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Guests: Max Rudansky, M.D.

Presentation by: Max Rudansky, M.D. on stroke's.

Meeting called to order at 2100 hrs

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

President Winter had a moment of silence.

Secretary confirmed a quorum is in attendance.

Post 215 Proclamations and commemorative patch presented.

Annual \$500 Scholarship drawing winners:

Samantha Hafner

Kenneth Lau

Zohra Rahimi

Matthew Valle

Alternates: 1st: Nancy Cortemanche & 2nd: Nimka Khanna

Sue Otto, Bill Billups, and Cindy Cairl all honored for years of service to HCFAS.

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Motion by Bernie Hershkowitz, seconded by Brian Canty to suspend the reading of the minutes and accept the May General Membership Meeting minutes as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.

President's Report – Roger Winter:

Advised membership of approved motions by the Board of Directors:
HCFAS sailing team, removed restriction on the 50th anniversary fund, \$500 scholarships approved, Post 215 uniform purchases by HCFAS, H2M contract to proceed, Heartstart educators class approved, and West Hills day camp 2009 picnic approved.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

- Spoke about new ambulance
- Scholarship winners congrats
- Get well wishes to those members that are ill

Megan Sarcona asked that the medical return to duty forms be placed downstairs.

First Deputy Chief's Report – John Maier: read by Chief

- Drivers must look at new 2-15-16 with a driver trainer
- Database up
- Company 8 update
- any issues please contact me

Second Deputy Chief's Report - Joseph Denimarck: read by Captain Stone

Hi everyone, I'm not at the meeting tonight because I'm home with a sore throat and figured you wouldn't want me there. So I want to start with thank you's to all my committee members everything seems to be running smooth up to this point.

Reminder CME this Friday June 12th at HQ by Tom Laturlere from Suffolk ems on the Rad-57 and Fire Rehab. Come out and learn how to use the rad. If we can keep filling up the classes with our members I will continue to harass the county for more classes in our building.

ALS providers Alyssa Axlerod has done a good job getting a BOD motion passed to have Heart Start Educators come in and do the 12Lead made easy course. The date is TBA now it will be sometime in July, emails and notices will go out when the date is secured.

A New Ambulance checkout sheet is out and printed on the yellow paper, as you may have seen by the emails last week. Please begin using it. If you see anything you want added or deleted it's up for review email and let me know. After about 30 days it will get sent through the process to be official and sent to the printer to make up the pads. I want to thank Martha Brenner for her hard work helping me get it done.

Ambulances are being left dirty after calls, can we take the extra couple of minutes after calls and empty the garbage and pick up the pile of gloves on the floor. I know it's busier than its ever been, but the rigs really should not be left in that condition. Please stop rearranging the equipment on the ambulances in needs to stay in the same spots so everybody knows where everything is. If you want something changed let me know and ill bring it to the officers.

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That's all I have for now, if you have anything for me the best way to get me is email.
32.HCFAS@gmail.com

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

-Maintenance on rigs given
-smoking areas summarized

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone read by Chief:

-Police scanner up
-Radio summary given

Martha Brenner asked about medcom and the radios.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Matt Cappola given by Mark Cappola:

- 1) Best wishes to Eileen Burns
- 2) Thanks to everyone who does back-up
- 3) Congrats to Sue Otto on her 20 years...it is a pleasure to have you riding on Sunday 1900.

Monday Co. 2 Captain's Report - Maureen Umberto given by Captain Stone:

-has to work to evening so can't be here
-1100 to 1500 needs help

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone:

Thank you to all whom have been doing extra shifts and backup on Tuesdays.
Thank you everyone for doing your checkouts and keep up with the clean house reports please.
Help is needed on Tuesdays 1100-1500 a Fa or Dispatcher.
2300 dispatcher needed tomorrow

Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo:

-Thanked daytime cfrews
-1100 to 1500 needs help
-Overnight needs some more ALS providers other than Tom Hogan and herself.

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

-Tim Ebert became a driver.
-11 to 3 and 3 to 7 need help
- A driver is needed the last Thursday overnight in June.

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts read by Jeff Brenner:

-11 to 3 needs a dispatcher
-An overnight crewleader is needed
-New member Danielle Milione is on the 1500-1900 crew.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:

-New member Tiffany White and Elizabeth Mohr on the 1100 advanced to aide

-Dispatcher needed on 1900

-Overnight 24'd two calls, help needed.

Pam Biersack asked that every member assist in folding laundry.

Lorrie Stone asked that the status of members be added to the website.

Delegate Reports:

Andrea Golinsky Delegate Dist. 7:

-pamphlet on Pulse Check was mailed out

-Class A uniform fitting took place

Committee Reports:

Alyssa Axelrod-ALS Committee:

12 lead class in July. Tentatively the 18th and the 25th is an alternate date. 8AM-4pm.

Anne Gabriel asked for clarification on the Life Pac batteries.

Alyssa responded to leave them in the charger until they are used/needed.

Robert Franz :

Smoking - Since we mentioned twice tonight that members can only smoke outside of Bays South 1 and South 5, I would like to mention that I attended a PERMA (VAWBL provider) conference in May and their emphasis was on the safety and welfare of our members. They passed out brochures on facts and tips to help you stop smoking. I put several of these brochures on the shift sign in table downstairs and on the bulletin board. Also please wear all your safety equipment provided by the Squad such as your EPG clothing and boots.

LOSAP Program Amendment Referendum resolution by the Huntington Town Board will probably be approved in October 2009 with the referendum taking place in December (2nd Tuesday) when Fire Districts & Special Districts have their elections. There will probably be a voting machine at a Huntington and Huntington Manor Fire District building. You must be a registered voter to vote for the referendum in December. I have voter registration applications available this evening for anyone who needs one or if you need one for a family member or friend.

The 2008 LOSAP Point Listing as approved and certified by the Huntington Town Board on May 19, 2009 is posted on the bulletin board for the mandatory 30 day posting period. Please review the list carefully and report any discrepancies in writing to the president.

NYSVA&RA Scholarship application deadline is August 16, 2009. The scholarship must be used by the applicant to further their education in a medical related field other than an EMT/CFR certifications.

Donna Smith- Standby:

Huntington and Walt Whitman High school graduations and the Horse Stables Show need crews.

Thanked those who helps with the last 3 standby's.

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Old Business:

Jerry Giacomini reminded members if they requested a red jacket they are ready for pick-up.

New Business:

Squad Picnic rain or shine July 19th 12-5PM.

Martha Brenner stated that the Pulse is missing articles and would like to see this changed.

Lorrie Stone would like the Pulse emailed in time. Also would like to know what is being served for dinner and what time. Chief told her dinner is served at 1930 hours.

Anne Donegan thanked the kitchen crew for the food.

Jeff Brenner reminded members that check-outs on the responder vehicles need to be made. The gas levels have been low and it needs to be filled when below half a tank.

Brian Canty reminded members to use the finger reader to sign in.

Raffle Winners:

Golf Outing winners in order they were chosen:

Brian Canty

Jim Lupo

Mark Cappola

John Palmieri

Alternates: Andy Ball, Harvey Lapidus, Luke Bartolomeo, Tom Lemp, Mike Milo, Hugh O'Brien, Ronnie Weinhofer, Al Szigethy, Donna Mastropietro.

Gift Certificate winners:

Lorrie Stone, John Korets, Sue Otto, Alex Witkowski, Tom Lemp.

Motion by Jeff Brenner seconded by Alison Russo to adjourn the meeting at 22:03 hours.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully Submitted,

Lehti Laas

Lehti Laas

Secretary

Draft sent to members: June 21, 2009

Approved: July 13, 2009

Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: July 13, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	PRESENT
John Palmieri	PRESENT
Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
First Deputy Chief John Maier	ABSENT
Second Deputy Chief Joseph Denimarck	PRESENT
Third Deputy Chief Robert Loysch	PRESENT
Chief Dispatcher Richard Stone	PRESENT
Sunday Co. 1 Captain Mathew Cappola	Resigned
Monday Co. 2 Captain Maureen Umberto	PRESENT
Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	PRESENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	ABSENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	PRESENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	PRESENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Meeting called to order at 2025 hrs

Guests: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

President had a moment of silence.

○ **Get Well Wishes and Prayers**

- Sue Bolan – in Carillon Nursing Home.
- Mary Jane Woznick – At home, calls welcome.
- Eileen Burns – at home, calls welcome.
- Jane La Sorsa – Life member – at home feeling better, looking forward to return to duty.
- Tom Kincaid – Life Member – in Carillon Nursing Home
- Doris De Veau – Wife of departed member Bob De Veau
- Andy Ball – in Huntington Hospital
- Chief Heavy's aunt is very ill in Ireland

○ **Condolences go out to:**

- Director John Palmieri – death of his Mother of Ruth Palmieri

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○ **Congratulation on the Birth of a new baby:**

- Sheryl Burke – Ethan Thomas Burke
- Liz Steenson – is a grandmother again today.

A quorum is in attendance.

Motion by Lehti Laas seconded by Andrea Golinsky to suspend the normal order of business for a special election for the position of Sunday Day Captain.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Secretary confirmed by roll call the number of eligible members.
85 members are eligible to vote.

President opened the floor to nominations:

Eileen Burns nominates Chris Winter

Chief Heavey nominates David Mohr

Sally Staszak, Pete Nakelski & Joanne Vogel tallied the ballots as the meeting continued.

Results:

56 votes for Chris Winter, 28 votes for Dave Mohr, 1 No Vote.

Chris Winter will fill the position of Sunday Day Captain.

Motion by Andrea Golinsky seconded by Harvey Lapidus to destroy the ballots.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion by Mark Cappola seconded by Harvey Lapidus to suspend the reading of the minutes and accept the June 2009 General Membership Minutes as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.

Motion by Jeff Brenner, seconded by Pam Brenner Biersack to not post and not mention donation amounts.

MOTION APPROVED

President's Report – Roger Winter:

Board Actions / Information– Approved the following:

- Food for the Picnic at West Hills Day Camp 2009, “Big Bubba’s BBQ to cater.
- Dispatch Training Station to teach dispatch training.
- Remote Software license for the dispatch software
- Custom report to include crew confirmations times – CAD
- Employment Contract for Justine Foranoc – Office manager.
- Purchase of a 7’x16’ enclosed trailer for 2-15-Gator.

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- Town of Huntington – Huntington American Dream Homebuyers Assistance Program for first Time Home Buyers. – Andrea Golinsky
- Volunteer Services health Insurance Interest Survey – Bob Franz

Treasurer's Report – Mark Cappola:

Given verbally.

Secretary will remind scholarship winners to show that they are enrolled.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

- New EMTs
 - Audin Delva, Katherine Dolgin, Tyler Gibbs, Laurie Hoffman, Jonathan Korets, Ken Manning, Megan Meyer

Congratulated Chris on becoming Sunday Day Captain.

MaryBeth Krase asked for clarification of what the on-duty uniform consists of. Then asked about back-up calls.

First Deputy Chief's Report – John Maier: read by Secretary

Hi Everyone

Congratulations to the new Sunday captain.

Driver training is moving along well thanks you to Tommy Romano and all the drive trainers.

Anyone looking to drive contact your day captain and they will bring you up at the officer meeting..

Co 8 -Please notify the day Captains at least 24 hour in advanced of shift you are looking to do. Make sure you sign the losap for your hours. I have been reviewing the hour for CO 8 members and every except one is up to date Thank you.

Personal issues- If you are going to be late for your shift please let the prior crew now.

Clean house reports should be filled out on every shift and submitted to the day captain so this way we can find out who is leasing the mess.

I have been working on the certification report for HCFAS to re-certify so if anyone has a recently renew EMT or EMT CC or Paramedic card please submit it.

Sorry about not being at the meeting but an issues came up at work. Since to being of the year my work situation changed do to the economy, But thing are lighting up and you will start to see me around more.

Again thank you to everyone for all you do

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

Thanked Alyssa and Lehti for planting flowers out front.

Dave Mohr took care of the painting of the railings.

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:

Summer is in full swing and we have been quite busy. We continue to need permanent dispatchers on our day shifts.

Thanks to the Dispatch Committee, we are moving new member through as quickly as possible.

Just a few reminders:

Members when you are responding to a back-up call use the call-in number, this really helps when we are dispatching multiple calls. Also dispatchers please remember to enter ALS on the calls that require it. Even if the responding ALS provider is disregarded, it is still entered as an ALS call.

Also the pages for ALS should be noted as well.

Congratulations to Peggy Coyle and Rodriguens Gabriel on passing their dispatch test.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Chris Winter:

Sunday is going great. Back-up is needed.

Monday Co. 2 Captain's Report - Maureen Umberto:

Welcomed Jennifer Ladd

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone:

Tuesdays are going great.

Thanks to everyone who has been helping out.

After this week I will be needing a driver for the 0700 shift and a dispatcher for the 1100 shift any who might be available please contact me.

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

Welcomed John Glasser to the 1500 & Ruthnie Daniel to the overnight.

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts:

Day help needed.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:

Welcomed Melissa Hernandez. Needs back-up help.

Delegate Reports:

Andrea Golinsky Delegate Dist. 7:

Health insurance with county update given.

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Avalon Bay is still moving ahead.

Town of Huntington – Huntington American Dream Homebuyers Assistance Program for first Time Home Buyers.

Robert Franz :

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Committee Reports:

Brian Canty: Last call for signing up for the picnic.

Alyssa Axelrod: EKG course is an advanced class.

Andrea Golinsky: 69th Fighter group homecoming. Paul Kelly will assist but additional help is needed.

Motion by Chief Dominic Heavey, seconded by Paul Kelly to donate \$250 to the organizers of the 69th group homecoming.

HCFAS MEMBER DUES ACCOUNT

MOTION APPROVED

Old Business: Mary Brenner asked for an update on the sailing team. Mark Cappola explained that the squad sponsored the boat. The sponsoring and recruiting at Nicky's after the event issues have been resolved.

New Business: Medcom Stats given: of 2557 calls, 55 were 24'd.
HCFAS no response rate is 2.1%

Motion by Jeff Brenner seconded by Bernie Hershkowitz to adjourn the meeting at 2150 hours.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully Submitted,

Lehti Laas

Lehti Laas
Secretary

Draft sent to members: July 31, 2009

Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: August 10, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	ABSENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	ABSENT
John Palmieri	PRESENT
Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
First Deputy Chief John Maier	ABSENT
Second Deputy Chief Joseph Denimarck	ABSENT
Third Deputy Chief Robert Loysch	PRESENT
Chief Dispatcher Richard Stone	PRESENT
Sunday Co. 1 Captain Christopher Winter	ABSENT
Monday Co. 2 Captain Maureen Umberto	PRESENT
Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	PRESENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	ABSENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	PRESENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	ABSENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Meeting called to order at 2015 hrs

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

Secretary Laas had a moment of silence

- Passing of:
 - EDWIN JOHN BOCKELKEN father of Lori Bernardo
 - GLADYS ORR, mother of Director Greg Orr
 - Lillian Nowakowski, sister of Mary Brenner, Aunt of Mark Brenner, Great Aunt of Pam, Jeff, & Kevin Brenner.
- Illness:
 - President Winter
 - Bruce Blower
 - Suzie Orr
 - Sue Bolen

Secretary confirmed a quorum is in attendance.

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Motion by Mark Cappola, seconded by Bernie Hershkowitz to suspend the reading of the minutes and accept the July General Membership Meeting minutes as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.

Secretary informed the membership that Jeremy Boehm plead guilty to two charges. He was suspended and his probation period is extended by the Board of Directors.

President's Report – Roger Winter: read by Secretary

Actions of the Board of Directors

- Approved the annual service agreement with CES for our computer
- Approved transfer of funds to State Bank to put in CDARS
- Approved the purchase of an IMAC to be used by the PULSE
- Approved a Full page ad in THE NYSVA&RA Pulse Check trade show journal
- Approved the purchase of trophies for the NYSVA&RA Drill Competition at Pulse Check
- Approved the participation of POST 215 in the District 7 drill and any local drills on Long Island.
- The trailer will be used for the Gator and the bikes, that is why we purchased the size we did.

Treasurer gave a Powerpoint presentation on the CDARS investment of HCFAS funds.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

- Thanked for inspection passing.
- When checking out a vehicle please don't add extra equipment on the ambulances.
- Pulse Ox is back on ambulances.
- Manor Fire Department thanked us for our participation in their carnival.
- East Northport Fire Department Parade participants thanked.
- A.C. memo will be out tomorrow.
- Tommy Romano will have a module added to the driver training for the trailer.
- Members have been wearing their proper duty uniforms, thank-you.
- Spring Road residents have complained about the overnight sirens, please use them with regard to the residents.
- EP Gear and safety vests are squad issued, please wear them when appropriate.
- In September we have the Greenlawn Parade and the Cow Harbor Day.

Second Deputy Chief's Report - Joseph Denimarck: read by Chief

- Please continue to do your proper check-outs.

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

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- Report on the damage to 2 15 16
- Problems with lack of fueling ambulances
- Charging the batteries reminder make sure the high idle is on
- Break down of the ac in the ready room cause broken fan belt

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:

Congrats to Tina Sholes and Suzette Biagi on passing their dispatch tests.
We have answered over 3100 calls through the end of July.
Our no response rate has increased to 2.16 %
Please try to listen up especially during the 1100 to 1500 hours.
Dispatchers please remember to enter ALS response even if the responding crew tells you ALS is not needed.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Christopher Winter given by Sam Ryan:

We had **63** calls in July. That is 10 less than last year July, but we also report calls differently this year with regard to what gets a run number (like MVA's with multiple rigs and patients) so we are running mostly flat to last year.

We had only 1 mutual aid (24) in July. Last year in July we also only had 1, so we are flat to last year.

Looking at the 24 report, our biggest issue with 24's comes between the hours of 10:30am and 3:00pm.. So please keep that in mind if you have time to turn the radio on

We have folks on both the **7:00am** and **11:00am** shift that would LOVE to ride. Zeb, on the 11:00am shift is in the ACL program, so if anyone can come down to dispatch for her, she can get on the rig!

The **15:00** shift can always use an extra person. Sharyn covers as the ALS provider and Driver. If someone can listen up or come in to drive or provide ALS back up, that would help out a lot.

No advancements to report this month.

No new members on Sunday to report yet either.

Sunday, September 6th is Labor Day weekend, so if you are not going away, please think about helping out...We should be busy!

Thanks for all of the support and help. Some special thanks to Paul Kelly, he did the first back up call for me as Captain and Tyler Gibbs who covered dispatching this past Sunday morning!
There have been a lot of folks helping with back up and I sincerely thank you all.

Monday Co. 2 Captain's Report - Maureen Umberto:

1100 needs help. Thank-you to those who do back-up.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone given by Sam Ryan.

Tuesdays are running very well. Thank you to Jim Lupo for filling in on my 0700 shift as a driver for a while. Also thank you to everyone who has continued to help Tuesdays out with backup and extra shifts. Help is still needed on the 1100 shift, a dispatcher is needed.

On a sad note Lori Bernardo-Strong #1027 had to leave the squad behind due to moving out of NY. She will be sorely missed by myself, her crew and her friends, farewell and good luck with all to come

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

Stated when help is needed especially daytime, please contact her.

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts read by Samantha Ryan:

Stated when help is needed especially daytime, please contact him if available.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:

- Congrats to Suzette for passing dispatch training

- thank-you to everyone who does back-up

- please restock the ambulances

- please do driver check-outs

- dispatchers are needed on the overnight

Cindy Cairl congratulated Kate Dolgin for being off probation.

Phil Orlando asked for paper plates in the kitchen.

Kathy Geary asked about missing equipment on the ambulances.

Jerry Giacomini commented on his experience with trailers.

Delegate Reports:

Andrea Golinsky Delegate Dist. 7:

- Insurance coverage updated

- New law that parents can have their children under their insurance coverage until the child is 29 years old.

- Town programs are on the bulletin board. Please contact her if you are interested in the Home Buyers program.

- Pulse Check is October 1-4th, September 1st is the deadline for early registration.

- Decals and 911 pin update given.

Robert Franz :

NYSVA&RA Scholarship application deadline is August 16, 2009. The scholarship must be used by the applicant to further their education in a medical related field other than for EMT/CFR certifications.

2009 General Membership Meeting

You must be a NYS Registered Voter to vote for the LOSAP Program Amendment Referendum in December. I have voter registration applications available this evening for anyone who needs one or if you need one for a family member or friend

Old Business: None

New Business:

-John Palmieri asked what if the 2nd does not want the position of the 1st. The Vice President answered that it is with the attorney's for an answer.

-Anne Gabriel stated their were gloves in the sharps box and asked what is the latest with the gym insurance coverage.

-Pam Brenner-Biersack stated that she has been appointed CME coordinator by the 2nd Deputy Chief. She also asked that members not overstock the ambulances because when the ambulance is moving and they are packed, the items fall down when cabinets are opened and can injure the patient.

-Martha Brenner elaborated on the new check-out sheet.

-Thank-you to those who have helped the Social, Kitchen, and Setup committees.

Raffle Winners:

1. Waldbaums \$50: Don Roulo
2. Waldbaums \$10: Stephanie Moore
3. Waldbaums \$10: Phil Orlando
4. Waldbaums \$10: Michelle Miller
5. Outback \$25: Bob Franz
6. Panera Bread \$10: Mark Cappola
7. Mrs. Fields Butter Toffee Popcorn: Rodriguens Gabriel
8. Mets Tickets with Parking pass: Joanne Cunningham
9. Mets Tickets only: Bernie Hershkowitz

Motion by Pam Brenner Biersack seconded by Anne Gabriel to adjourn the meeting at 21:30 hours.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully Submitted,

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221 *Lehti Laas*

222 Lehti Laas

223 Secretary

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225 Draft sent to members: August 15, 2009

226 Approved: September 14, 2009

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Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: September 14, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	ABSENT
John Palmieri	PRESENT
Chief Dominic Heavey	ABSENT
First Deputy Chief Joseph Denimarck	ABSENT
Second Deputy Chief	VACANT
Third Deputy Chief Robert Loysch	PRESENT
Chief Dispatcher Richard Stone	PRESENT
Sunday Co. 1 Captain Christopher Winter	ABSENT
Monday Co. 2 Captain Maureen Umberto	ABSENT
Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	PRESENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	PRESENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	PRESENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	PRESENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Meeting called to order at 2015 hrs

Guests: Phil Orlando family.

Secretary confirmed a quorum is in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

President Winter had a moment of silence.

○ **Get Well Wishes and Prayers**

- Eileen Burns – at Huntington Hospital
- John Palmieri – a survivor
- Sue Orr – recovering

▪ **Condolences go out to:**

- Family of Richard Holst – HMFD –LODD
- Maureen Umberto's Brother in Law Ken Lesser

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Motion by Andrea Golinsky, seconded by Bernie Hershkowitz to change the order of the meeting.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Eric Autz, member #903, 15 year service award presented.

Annette Hershkowitz, member #82, 25 year service award presented.

Phil Orlando, member #706, 25 year service award. Spoke to membership.

Jerry Giacomini, member #349, 35 year service award presented.

Floor open for nominations for the position of 2nd Deputy Chief:

Andrea Golinsky nominated Tom Lemp

Jeff Brenner nominated Anne Gabriel

78 eligible voters: Tom Lemp 38, Anne Gabriel 38, Neither 2.

TIE VOTE

Motion by Mark Cappola, seconded by Brian Canty to suspend the reading of the minutes and accept the August General Membership Meeting minutes as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.

President's Report – Roger Winter:

Board Actions / Information– Approved the following:

- Laurie Hoffman to enter into an EMT-P class St. John's University. – Subsequently Laurie has turned in a letter dropping her request for family obligations.
- Post 215 Training/Camping weekend, to assist BSA Troop 218 in getting their First Aid Merit Badge.
- Purchase American Red Cross Skill Cards – For distribution at BSA events and other HCFAS sponsored events.
- Approved a new copy machine agreement with Konica Minolta Business Systems for 2 new Konica BizHub 362 copiers on a 60 month lease.
- Pulse Check Conference Member Attendance. Attendees; Jerry Giacomini, Bernie Hershkowitz, Don Roulo, Christine Blackwell. At a cost not to exceed \$695.00 per person.
- Motion by Brian Canty and seconded by John Palmieri in accordance with Article II Section 10 approve Joseph Denimark as 1st Deputy Chief due to the resignation of 1st Deputy Chief John Maier.
- BOD approved the Town of Huntington proposed budget in the amount of \$1,683,000.
- Blood Drive 9/29/09, 2:00pm-7:30pm. Main Meeting room. Andrea Golinsky Chair

Motion by David Mohr, seconded by Mark Cappola to postpone the vote until the crew that is at the hospital returns.

MOTION APPROVED

Treasurer's Report-

In late August, the squad submitted its proposed HCAD 2010 Budget to the town of Huntington. It represented a 1% increase over the "proposed" budget submitted in 2009, which was significantly slashed. A meeting to discuss the proposed budget was held with the Town Supervisor and the Comptroller on Sept. 1 and we were advised that despite promises made in 2009 the requested budget for 2010 would not be honored. Rather, we would receive a 3% increase over the approved 2009 HCAD Budget. At this meeting, we were presented with "alternatives" to our proposal and after lengthy discussions, we were asked to recalculate the budget and resubmit it to the town using the figures given to us. The revised budget has been submitted and we are waiting for the contract from the Town. In the meantime we have received the 2nd half payment of the 2009 budget.

John Palmieri read the ByLaw on absentee ballots for special elections.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey given by Jeff Brenner :

Thanked all those who came and participated in the Huntington Manor firefighter funeral.

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

Update on ambulances back in service given.

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:

By the end of this month, there will be a new procedure for the placement of PCR's for all dispatchers. There will be a separate mailbox Labeled PCR's and all PCR are to be placed in this mailbox. The alarm worksheets and MEDCO printouts will be continued to be placed in the appropriate Day Captain's mailbox.

Call volume and signal 24's have increased dramatically especially the signal 24's. Anybody that can pitch in and do an extra shift especially during the day will be greatly appreciated. Any help will be accepted, even one extra shift a month.

Patricia Tufo #1242, Mindy Scalzetti #1255, and Brian Quinn #1256 have all passed their dispatch test.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report –Christopher Winter emailed to membership:

- Congratulations to Laurie Hoffman for being voted off probation and accepted to full membership. I am very proud and grateful to have her as a member of Sunday!
- Congratulations to Mindy Scalzetti for passing her dispatch test and becoming a full dispatcher! She covered yesterday's 2 morning shifts on her own and did a great job!
- Congratulations to Jim Malillo for advancing to Crew Leader! Our Sunday overnight is becoming a powerhouse!

It's tough to catch all the folks to thank for the support on Sundays, but there are three I wanted to acknowledge tonight:

- Thank you to Director Golinsky and Tom O'Leary for their help last Sunday, September 6th. Director Golinsky made phone calls to obtain a back up driver for the 1900 shift and Tom answered the call and came up to the building, in uniform, to help cover the shift. I appreciate the fantastic support by both.
- Thank you to Martha Brenner for covering last Sunday morning after her work out at the gym.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Eileen Burns for a speedy recovery. She is currently in Huntington Hospital.

In August we had **no** 24's on Sunday. Thank you to all of you on duty and back up personal who helped make that possible.

We've started out rough in September with a few 24's on Sundays. I hope to end the month on a better note than we began. Please help me in contributing to that by turning your pagers on whenever you can.

If you have any questions or concerns or suggestions for Sundays, please call or email me.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey.

Thank you everyone for the backup and extra shifts.

Thank you Jim Lupo for coming in and driving on my 0700, since I no longer have a driver.

Congratulations to Jim Harrigan on becoming a crewleader.

Help is needed 1100-1500, a dispatcher is needed, you will have a trainee.

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Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo.

Tina Sholes is training and also an ALS provider.

Tiffany White is dispatch training.

Brian Quinn is a full dispatcher.

Welcomed to Cecilia Renderos.

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

Please make sure the fuel is at the proper level.

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts:

Please do your check-outs.

1100 help is needed.

1500 needs a crewleader.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:

Overnight help is needed

Tom Lemp spoke about ambulance exam that is given by him and Eileen Burns.

83 eligible voters: Tom Lemp 41, Anne Gabriel 41, Neither 1.

TIE VOTE

Motion by Andy Ball, seconded by Andrea Golinsky to destroy the ballots.

MOTION APPROVED

David Mohr gave a report on the Fall Festival and the crews that are needed.

Captain Brenner asked for back-up crews for the building also that weekend.

Captain Brenner informed the membership that Officers discussed that Tom, Eileen and any Officer can give the ambulance exam.

Delegate Reports:

Andrea Golinsky Delegate Dist. 7:

Blood Drive at the squad on September 29, from 2-730pm.

District 7 meeting at Central Islip tomorrow night. Will have a presentation on ePCR's

Class A uniforms are in.

Robert Franz :

Suffolk REMSCO Meeting September 8, 2009 – Bob Franz

2009 General Membership Meeting

Copies of the agenda and related handouts were posted on the bulletin board.
The transfer of SC EMS to SC FRES was not approved by the NYS DOH. There would be a loss of funding and SC Executive Levy said from the beginning if this was to occur, he would not move forward with the transfer. REMSCO interviews with stakeholders and others will still be codified in a white paper to be distributed sometime in November.
REMSCO approved the transfer of the operating authority from the Halesite Fire Department to the Halesite Fire District. This correction of an ongoing error now requires a formal process including REMSCO approval. There are 3 or 4 applications pending for other entities regarding definition of their geographical location.
NYS DOH Director Ed Wronski has announced his retirement effective December 2009. Ms. Lee Burns will assume the duties of the Director until such time as a replacement is named. SC Health Commissioner Dr. Humayun Chaudhry plans to retire also.
NYS 405 Regulation has been amended to require mandatory seasonal influenza & Novel H1N1 vaccinations for all hospital personnel – including transient students (EMS students) on clinical rotations. Novel H1N1 vaccination due out in mid October may require two shots.
The REMSCO Response Committee outreach or listening post type meeting will be at Northport FD at 7PM on October 13th.
BSBRA is regional & state agency of the year and will be hosting the award ceremony at their headquarters on Friday October 30th.
ePCR, on August 12th a train the trainer session was held at the Nesconset FD to refresh the 5 pilot agencies and to introduce the product to the agencies that expressed their interest to be included in the first round of deployment. Of the 37 agencies that were sent an invite to attend, only 12 responded.
North Shore-LIJ Paramedics contract expired on September 5th and they will no longer assist Islip Town ambulance companies with ALS services on emergency calls.
The next REMSCO meeting is November 10, 2009 at SC EMS Hauppauge.

LOSAP Referendum

Members who are not registered voters and reside in the Huntington Community Ambulance District (combination of the Huntington & Huntington Manor Fire Districts) are urged to fill out a voter registration form ASAP. These forms must be received by the Suffolk Board of Elections at least 25 days prior to a vote. The Town Board is in the process of scheduling a referendum vote to amend the Squad's LOSAP program. It is expected that this vote will take place as early as December 1st. The amendment will allow active members to continue to receive service award credit after they reach the program's entitlement age and receive a service award.
FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON THE DUTY TOUR SIGN IN COUNTER OR ASK ANDREA GOLINSKY OR BOB FRANZ.
Members are asked to encourage family members and friends to register also and vote on our behalf in December.

83 eligible voters: Tom Lemp 37, Anne Gabriel 39, Neither 5, Joanne Cunningham 1, Greg Orr 1.
Anne Gabriel is the new 2nd Deputy Chief.

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Motion by Robert Franz, seconded by Andy Ball to destroy the ballots.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee's:

David Mohr gave an update on Post 215. They are having a recruitment meeting this Saturday and also they participated in a competition where they won awards.

Liz Steenson thanked the Explorer Post and David for all their help over the weekend with her sister's jubilee celebration.

Pam Brenner Biersack gave an update on the CME courses. She also stated that the money that is being collected is going towards a scholarship fund for Post 215 members.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Brian Canty congratulated Roger Winter for receiving a nomination from Legislator Jon Cooper.

Raffle Winners:

1. Simon Gift Card \$50: Paul Mori
2. Waldbaums \$10: Karen Martin
3. Waldbaums \$10: Annette Hershkowitz
4. Cheesecake Factory \$25: Margaret Cornelius
5. Outback \$25: Crystal Mueller
6. Panera Bread \$15: Kurt Vetter
7. Mets Tickets Jerry Giacomini

Motion by Pam Brenner Biersack, seconded by Liz Steenson to adjourn the meeting at 22:23 hours.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

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313 Respectfully Submitted,

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315 *Lehti Laas*

316 Lehti Laas

317 Secretary

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319 Draft sent to members: September 24, 2009

320 Approved: October 12, 2009

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Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: October 12, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	ABSENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	PRESENT
John Palmieri	PRESENT
Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
First Deputy Chief Joseph Denimarck	ABSENT
Second Deputy Chief Anne Gabriel	PRESENT
Third Deputy Chief Robert Loysch	PRESENT
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Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	PRESENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	ABSENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	PRESENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	PRESENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Meeting called to order at 2015 hours

Secretary confirmed a quorum is in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Ferd Neumann

President Winter had a moment of silence.

Motion by Jeff Brenner, seconded by Andrea Golinsky to suspend the reading of the minutes and accept the September General Membership Meeting minutes as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.

President's Report – Roger Winter:

- **Get Well Wishes and Prayers:**
 - Eileen Burns #767
 - Bruce Blower # 37

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- Greg Orr's wife - Susie Orr – recovering nicely.
- Israel Cortes' #1174 Wife Rosa
- **We Mourn the Loss of :**
 - Patricia "Sue" Bolen #1010
 - Kathy Leonard's, #860 Mother – Patricia Kennedy
 - Beatris Maldonado's # 1275 mother Ana Quintanilla

Board Actions / Information– Approved the following:

- EMS EXPO Atlanta, GA 2009 for seven members.
- Quality Blacktop Service – Parking lot
- Approved NYSVA&RA Rodriguens Gabriel to attend and pay for travel expenses to receive a scholarship.
- HMFD Explorers/ Post 215 Dodgeball event.
- Approved the GSA rate for meals & incidentals reflected in those motions is hereby changed from \$49.00 to \$61.00 in order to reflect the GSA rate that is effective 10/01/09. For Pulse Check 2009
- Voting Machine and Elections
- Bayshore Movers to move the machines.
- HCFAS GFBG Members Only Golf Tournament to be held at Crab Meadow Golf Course on Wednesday, October 21.
- Holiday Cards to be sent to
- Holiday Card – a consensus is needed to see if the membership would like to receive a holiday card this year.

Membership consensus was to receive electronic holiday cards.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

I would like to thank all the Officers for the work that was done while I was away. I was sorry to hear we lost one of our Members # 1010 Sue Bolen; I was told we had a good turn-out for the services. I would also like to thank everyone for the turn out for the Funeral Services held at HMFD.

SERVICE AWARDS:

September	25 Years Annette Hershkowitz
October	5 Years Frank Guariglia
	5 Years Oscar Gomez
	5 Years James Ingwersen
	5 Years Karen Martin
	5 Years John Paul Garcia
	5 Years Patricia Brumm

As everyone knows we had the Fall Festival this past weekend, I would just like to thank David Mohr for all his hard work and I know he has a report for us. I would like to also thank everyone that turned out and helped. It was great to stand by and just look on as members went about their assigned jobs, well done to all.

Accidents:

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As everyone knows we have had a number of accidents in the past few weeks. All we ask is if you have an accident that you report it so as we can protect everyone. I also ask that when you are backing up you have a spotter behind you, also please wait for the door to be fully opened before you drive into the building.

Uniforms:

I have seen a big improvement in the wearing of uniforms, but there is still room for improvement.

Vehicles:

80; 81; 82; 89 and 88 usages we will be going back to the signing out book again as some members refuse to re fuel these vehicles after using them. Remember if a vehicle is less than 3 ¼ full you must re fuel it. This is NOT being done. So as of next Sunday October 18th 2009 you will be required to sign for the use of these vehicles.

NEW MEMBER'S:

1273 Susan Guterman Sun 11:00

1274 Dennis Vangroski Mon 07:00

1275 Beatris Maldonado Thur 15:00

1276 Kathleen Castillo Fri 19:00

1277 Anel Vargas Tues 07:00

PARKING:

Well here we go again, The parking lot is for the use of the Squad and its members, not for the use of the public while they go around town shopping or jump on a train to go elsewhere. All I ask of the member ship if you are using the parking lot that you think of the crew's that are on duty and the crew's that will be replacing them. That all for now.

David Mohr gave a report on the fall festival:

50 squad members, 19 Post members, 5 surrounding fire departments with 20 men and women and 3 members of the Public Relations committee volunteered over 656 hours this weekend at the fall festival. 30 patients were treated, all minor, with 4 requiring transportation to the hospital.

There are a lot of people to thank not the least of which are all the members that helped out over the weekend.

A special thanks to the Chief, 1 Dept. Chief Denimarck, Capt. Brenner, Jeremy, Joe and Michelle and the entire Bike Team. Also, to the Explorer Post for all their help.

Second Deputy Chief's Report – Anne Gabriel:

Expired items taken off the ambulances.

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

Major repairs on ambulances.

Damage to over head truck room doors.

Heating system serviced.

Generator serviced.

Parking lot being resealed.

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:

I am still awaiting approval from the Board to put the PCR mailbox into operation.
Dillion Harvey, Sheryl Roach and Emily Schaffert have all passed their dispatch tests.
Our 1100 shifts still need help.
Our signal 24's keep growing as well as our call volume.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Christopher Winter:

Thanked members for their help. Scratch Board discussed. Stocking of ambulances and check-outs please remember to do.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone

Congratulations to Sheryl Roach on passing her disp. test.
Tuesdays are going smoothly with all of the help I'm getting, thanks to all who come out and help.
Thank you to all of my Co. 3 members for complying with the uniform code.
Help is needed: 1100-1500 shift 2 full crews are needed.

Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo given by Carol Niceforo.

Thanked all those who come out and help on Wednesday.

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

Thanked for help.
1100 & 1500 need help on double and triple calls.

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts:

Dispatcher 1100 needed.
Back-up during day needed.
Overnight and 1900 delivered a baby boy 2 weeks ago.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner:

Thanked Dave Mohr.
Pam Brenner-Biersack, Paul Biersack & Jeremy had a cardiac arrest call.
Overnight help needed.

Delegate Reports:

Andrea Golinsky Delegate Dist. 7:

District 7 members attended Pulse Check.
Recruitment and Retention.
Red Dot Program.

Committee Reports:

Mark Cappola: COMMUNICATIONS UPGRADE STATUS REPORT

My apologies for not being at the meeting tonight.

As you all know, we have been working for several years now on upgrading our communications system to allow us the capability of better and clearer communications with our mobile and portable radios in the field. As part of that process, we acquired new FCC high band frequencies which will give us longer range and better quality. It will also allow us to go digital when the time comes. However, the licenses have conditions which must be fulfilled in order to keep them as our own. One condition is that we begin construction prior to the imposed construction deadline. This is to prevent organizations from obtaining frequencies and then not using them.

In a letter dated September 22, from the FCC, we were reminded that our license has a construction/coverage deadline between 12/18/2009 and 12/24/2009. Also, from the FCC: "You may request an extension of time to extend the construction/coverage period... The filing of such an extension request, however, does not automatically extend the construction/coverage period unless the request is based on an involuntary loss of site or other circumstances beyond the licensee's control."

If we fail to meet the construction/coverage requirement by its deadline...the license will terminate automatically, in whole or in part (where applicable), without specific Commission action on the construction/coverage deadline date."

Our most important goal is to get our primary site (Boxer Court) up and running, and test exactly what coverage we have and where the weak spots are, that would enable us to determine which site to develop next. For those sites that are deemed as necessary but not critical, we could apply for an extension or even let them drop off the license. Once we have our primary site up and if we lose the secondary sites, it would not be a problem to get them back because they would still fall within our original circle of coverage.

The Town of Huntington required a tower survey to confirm that any newly installed equipment would not impact the integrity of the tower. The climbers completed their work on Sept. 29, 2009. The climbing company now must give their report to the Consulting Engineers who will give us their own engineering analysis and opinion. The climbers tentatively reported that the tower appeared to be in good shape. We'll await the final report, but the initial outlook is positive.

In the interim, with the Board's unanimous approval, we placed an order with Motorola for the equipment that will be installed on the tower. As of October 5, the equipment is on its way and we are confident that we will be able to report to the FCC that we have begun construction, thus satisfying their requirements to permanently keep the frequencies.

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Brian Canty:

Medical Committee –

Member Physicals will be given on Sunday, October 25th from 9 – 12 and Wednesday, October 28th from 7 – 9pm. Every member MUST be screened for TB with a PPD test this includes all administrative members. If you work for a HCF and have been screen, I need documentation from that HCF. If you cannot receive the PPD due to medical reasons, I need a note from your private MD. We are mandated to screen everyone this year due to the number of potential exposures that have occurred this year. Additionally all riding members MUST be fit tested for N95 masks. During this two times we will hopefully be administering the Flu Shots. As of today we still cannot get the serum.

Special Events Committee

Children's Holiday Party is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, December 12th from 2 – 5. Same rules as always, signup sheet will be posted in the ready room.

Adult Holiday Party is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, December, 19th from 6 – 10pm. Sign up sheet will be posted in ready room.

Holiday Gift Card Selection – if you have not already done so, please make sure you submit your holiday gift selection to Director Orr by Oct. 24th. Anyone who does not submit a selection will receive a Waldbaums Gift card.

Alyssa Axelrod-ALS Committee:

Update given to membership.

Pam Brenner Biersack- CME classes

Update given on CME classes.

Old Business:

Alyssa Axelrod asked about 1st Responder following ambulance. Chief said Officers will discuss.

Phil Orlando asked for a ALS response comparison.

Asked to look into paid dispatchers. Chief responded that Officers will discuss.

New Business:

Alyssa Axelrod asked about BLS using the ALS equipment.

Raffle Winners:

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| 1. Window Box Mum | John Palmieri |
| 2. Waldbaums | \$25 Sheryl Roach |
| 3. Cheesecake Factory | \$25 Lehti Laas |

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- 272 4. Waldbaums \$25 Brian Canty
273 5. Outback \$25 Alyssa Axelrod
274 6. Window Box Mum Millie Gabriel
275 7. Cheesecake Factory \$25 David Mohr
276 8" Mum (Purple) Tim Ebert
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279 Motion by Christopher Winter seconded by Bob Franz to adjourn the meeting at 21:45 hours.
280 **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
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286 Lehti Laas
287 Secretary
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289 Draft sent to members: October 30, 2009

290 Approved: November 9, 2009
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Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: November 9, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	ABSENT
Gregory Orr	PRESENT
John Palmieri	PRESENT
Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
First Deputy Chief Joseph Denimarck	ABSENT
Second Deputy Chief Anne Gabriel	PRESENT
Third Deputy Chief Robert Loysch	PRESENT
Chief Dispatcher Richard Stone	PRESENT
Sunday Co. 1 Captain Christopher Winter	PRESENT
Monday Co. 2 Captain Maureen Umberto	ABSENT
Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	PRESENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	PRESENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	PRESENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	ABSENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Meeting called to order at 2015 hrs

Guests: None

Secretary confirmed a quorum is in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

President Winter had a moment of silence.

Get Well Wishes and Prayers:

- Eileen Burns #767 – back on Duty – Congratulations
- Christine Russo #677- has been sick for six months.

We Mourn the Loss of:

- Clara Terenzi – Mother of Paul Terenzi #1094 and Grandmother of Explorer Post 215 Member Paul Terenzi Jr.
- Logan Potts – Saturday overnight , CL, Boy Scout Leader

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49 Motion by Joanne Vogel, seconded by Mark Cappola to suspend the normal order of business to
50 hold nominations for 2010 office positions.

51 **Motion Approved Unanimously**

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53 **Board of Director:**

54 Mary Winter nominates Roger Winter
55 Sal Signorelli nominates Robert Franz
56 Mark Cappola nominates Brian Canty
57 Brian Canty nominates Mark Cappola
58 Jeffrey Brenner nominates Thomas Romano

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60 **Chief:**

61 Nancy Griesel-Eckhardt nominates Dominic Heavey

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63 **1st Deputy Chief:**

64 Dominic Heavey nominates Anne Gabriel

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66 **2nd Deputy Chief:**

67 Pamela Brenner Biersack nominates Jeffrey Brenner

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69 **3rd Deputy Chief:**

70 Jeffrey Brenner nominates David Mohr
71 Pete Nakelski nominates Kathy Gearey
72 Alyssa Axelrod nominates Robert Loysch – ineligible because has held the position for the
73 previous 2 years.

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75 **Chief Dispatcher:**

76 Carolyn Niceforo nominates Brian Milliken
77 Mike Barker nominates Richard Stone
78 Kathy Gearey nominates Joseph Frisenda
79 Mary Jane Woznick nominates James Mallilo

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81 **Day Captain:**

82 Jeffrey Brenner nominates Paul Biersack
83 Kathy Gearey nominates Keith Rubenstein
84 Margaret Cornelius nominates Pamela Brenner Biersack
85 Claudy Grimadeau nominates Samantha Ryan
86 Carolyn Niceforo nominates Alison Russo
87 Thomas O’Learey nominates Luke Bartolomeo
88 Nancy Griesel-Eckhardt nominates Casey Stone- Casey declines
89 Jeffrey Brenner nominates Philip Orlando
90 Emily Schaffert nominates Thomas Lemp
91 Jeffrey Brenner nominates Alexander Witkowski
92 Peter Nakelski nominates Tim Ebert

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95 Nominees (in the order they were chosen at the meeting to appear on the ballot)

96 Note: ballot will be based on eligibility according on By-Laws:

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98 **Board of Directors:**

99 Mark Cappola

100 Thomas Romano

101 Brian Canty

102 Roger Winter

103 Robert Franz

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105 **Chief:**

106 Dominic Heavey

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108 **1st Dept. Chief:**

109 Anne Gabriel

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111 **2nd Dept. Chief:**

112 Jeffrey Brenner

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114 **3rd Dept Chief:**

115 David Mohr

116 Kathy Gearey

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118 **Chief Dispatcher:**

119 Brian Milliken

120 Joseph Frisenda

121 Richard Stone

122 James Mallilo

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124 **Day Captain:**

125 Luke Bartolomeo

126 Pamela Brenner Biersack

127 Alexander Witkowski

128 Tim Ebert

129 Philip Orlando

130 Samantha Ryan

131 Paul Biersack

132 Alison Russo

133 Thomas Lemp

134 Keith Rubenstein

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137 Motion by Mark Cappola, seconded by Jeffrey Brenner to suspend the reading of the October
138 general membership meeting minutes.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion by Mark Cappola, seconded by Jeffrey Brenner to accept the October general membership meeting minutes unread as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by the Secretary.

President's Report – Roger Winter:

Board Actions / Information– Approved the following:

- I would like to thank the following members who attended the Veterans Day Ceremony at Town Hall this past Sunday, Rich Rudolph, Paul Kelly, Dominic Heavey, Roger Winter.
- I have written a letter to the 2nd pct. C.O. Inspector Blaettler, ref: Advantages of having the 202, 202A car relief point.
- I have had a meeting with Supervisor Petrone regarding the relief point at HCFAS and the alternative solution at the Jack Abrams intermediate School. A temporary move would be tolerated but we are citizens also and respond to the same calls as do the police.
- Chairs for the holiday party.
- Children's Holiday Party
- Charter Renewal Explorer 15
- Appointment of Explorer Post 215 Advisors
- Appointment of Explorer Post 215 Associate Advisors
- Purchase two tickets to the Town of Huntington Fire Chief's Council Annual Dinner.
- NYSVA&RA 2009-2010 Squad Dues.
- NYSVA&RA Member Dues
- Host the Town of Huntington Fire Chief's Council Meeting and Dinner at HCFAS
- Approve Robert Franz to attend the FASNY Legislative Conference
- Approve the Worker's Compensation for paid employees.
- Weight Watcher Class
- ACLS Class
- Approve one emailing for candidates running for office.
- Adult Holiday Party
- Purchased a new replacement Washing Machine to be delivered 11/11/09
- Explorer Post 215 Caving Adventure Trip

Pamela Brenner Biersack updated the membership on the Board of Education meeting she attended when the Second Precinct Police Officers relief point will be.

Treasurer's Report- Mark Cappola

3rd Quarter update on Budget and which committees are over budget.

Golf outing update given.

Communications update: FCC frequency up and running.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

Adriana Dovi: 5 years

Narcotics license has been reinstated.

Chief's Order will go out. Responder vehicles will not follow the ambulance down to the hospital signal 3.

Second Deputy Chief's Report – Anne Gabriel

Update given on ALS.

Locks will be changed.

Head blocks: in the near future a trial period of different types will be introduced.

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

Maintenance report given.

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:

This past Friday our new UHF frequency went live. This afternoon we received two portable radios to run some tests in various parts of the district. So far the analog signal is stronger but the digital signal is amazing in strength and clarity.

Calls for October totaled 475 with 14 signal 24's

We are aiming to go paperless or almost paperless by the first of the New Year.

More to follow

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Christopher Winter:

We had 2 24's in October.

No new members since last meeting for Sundays.

Welcome back Eileen!

From a resource allocation stance, we need help in the morning to allow folks to get through training. The 0700 shift always needs an extra body to either dispatch or ride.

The 1100 crew needs help in the dispatch office so Zeb can ACL and get passed to crew leader.

The 1500 shift needs help in the dispatch office so Allison can get through ACL also.

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So we see the issues aren't always a need for someone to make the basic shift to get h rig out, but without giving folks the opportunity to train, when one of the crew leaders or drivers is out sick, we are stuck. So covering a shift is more than just filling the basics, it's helping the shift for the future.

So, please help out on Sundays during the first three shifts when you can.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone given by Mary Winter:

Thank you to everyone who has been doing backup and extra shifts for me on Tuesdays.

Thank you for doing your checkouts I really appreciate getting so many from my shifts.

Congratulations to Diane Tanko for coming off probation.

On a sad note we see Chris Winter leaving Tuesdays, you will be missed by me and your crew, good luck with your new shift.

Help is definitely needed during the day time shifts.

From December to March a dispatcher is needed on the 0700 shift. First-aiders are always needed on the 1100 shift. ALS is needed on the 1100, 1500 and 1900 shifts.

Any questions or comments please feel free to call or email me.

Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo given by Kathy Gearey.

Welcome back Bill Billups

Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

Has holidays this year, help needed.

Friday Co. 6 Captain's Report – Brendan Fitts read by Samantha Ryan:

Dispatcher and driver is needed for the 1100 shift.

Saturday Co. 7 Captain's Report- Jeffrey Brenner read by Chief:

Thanked back-up crews.

Committee Reports:

Pamela Brenner Biersack: CME class update given. Also reminded members about CPR cards and having them up-to-date.

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Brian Canty- Medical Committee –

Thank you to all those members who turned out for their PPD's, Fit Testing, Flu Shots and Physicals.

There will be two more dates where members can get their mandatory PPD test, N-95 Fit Test as well as Flu Shots and Physicals. On Site Medical will be at:

Huntington Fire Department – Thursday, November 12, 7 – 8:30

Oyster Bay Fire Department – Thursday, November 19, 7 – 8:30

If you plan on attending either one of these, please make sure you contact Tom Hogan.

Every member **MUST** be screened for TB or provide documentation of your PPD to the Medical Committee by December 1st or you will not be allowed in the building.

Brian Canty- Special Events Committee

Children's Holiday Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 12th from 2 – 5. Same rules as always, sign up sheet is posted in the ready room.

Adult Holiday Party is scheduled for Saturday, December, 19th from 6 – 10 pm. Sign up sheet will be posted in ready room.

Special Thanks to David & Lisa Mohr who prepped and cooked everything for the Chiefs Council dinner.

Robert Franz :

LOSAP Referendum

The Town Board rescinded their October 6th resolution and passed another resolution on November 5th in order to change the December 8th voting location from the HFD & HMFD to Town Hall room #114 from 12 Noon to 9 PM. The Town Board also passed 4 other resolution in connection with the voting process. The proposition being voted on will amend our LOSAP program to allow active members to continue to receive service award credit after they reach the program's entitlement age and receive a service award. The annual cost of the amended program may increase by \$67,000 for our current volunteers. For a taxpayer with a home assessed at \$4000, this equates to an increase of \$3.20 per year or less than 1 cent a day. The proposition if passed is effective 1/1/10. It is not retroactive.

Members who are not registered voters and reside in the Huntington Community Ambulance District (combination of the Huntington & Huntington Manor Fire Districts) are urged to fill out a voter registration form ASAP. These forms must be received by the Suffolk Board of Elections at least 25 days prior to a vote. There will also be a special registration for this vote at Town Hall on November 24, 2009 in Room # 114 from 12 Noon to 8PM. Forms can be found on the duty tour sign in counter or ask Bob Franz.

Members are asked to encourage family members and friends to register also and vote on our behalf on December 8th.

Legislation:

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Legislation was enacted to establish the Volunteer Firefighting and Volunteer Emergency Services fund and authorize gifts to such fund through a NYS income tax check off to promote programs to entice volunteer recruitment. The bill was proposed by Senator Foley and Assemblyman Sweeney and signed by the Governor on October 28th. NYSVA&RA President Michael Mastrianni was quoted in the press release.

The US Congress passed the Ryan White HIV/Aids Treatment and Extension Act of 2009 and the bill will go to the President for his signature. There are several new additions to the Ryan White Act which affect emergency responders. The Secretary of Health & Human Services (Kathleen Sebelius) has 180 days to develop a list of potentially life- threatening infectious diseases and guidelines concerning notification of emergency responders. For more information see the NYSVARA.org website.

Other organizations meetings:

Minutes for these meetings are posted on the bulletin board.

Suffolk REMSCO Meeting is Tuesday November 10, 2009 at 7PM in Hauppauge.

NYSVA&RA District 7 Meeting is Tuesday November 17, 2009 at 8PM at BayShore Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance.

SCACA Meeting is Wednesday November 18, 2009 at 8PM at East Moriches VAC.

NYSVA&RA Association held their meeting this past weekend in Albany. The State Association legislative day is scheduled for Monday April 26, 2010. The Pulse Check Educational Conference is scheduled for Thursday September 30 to Sunday October 3, 2010.

FASNY - I attended the last day of the FASNY Legislative Conference in Albany on Sunday October 25, 2009 at which time 22 legislative items were adopted. Several of the items pertain to volunteer ambulance organizations & VAW as well Fire entities & VFF. I met with their lobbyist and he was receptive to adding volunteer emergency medical services to any of their legislative bill proposals including when EMS has a related NYS law such as VAWBL vs. the VFBL.

Old Business:

Alyssa Axelrod-

Weight Watchers begins tomorrow.

ALS classes being given.

New Business:

- Post 215
 - Caving – Adventure Trip.
 - Annual All you Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner, November 14, 2009, 5:30-7:00pm. See Dave for Tickets.

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Raffle Winners:

1. Chocolate Sunflower Seeds: Joel Paul
2. Waldbaums Gift Card \$25: Rich Gierbolini
3. Cheesecake Factory \$25: Krystal Cruz
4. Waldbaums Gift Card \$25: Millie Gabriel
5. Outback Steakhouse \$25: Sal Signorelli
6. Waldbaums Gift Card \$25: Nancy Barker
7. Cheesecake Factory \$25: Robert Loysch
8. Dylan Chocolate Cornucopia: Alex Witkowski
9. Crab Meadow Pro Shop \$100: Sheryl Roach

Motion by Pamela Brenner Biersack seconded by Richard Stone to adjourn the meeting at 21:55 hours.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully Submitted,

Lehti Laas

Lehti Laas
Secretary

Draft sent to members: November 13, 2009
Approved: November 14, 2009

Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2009 General Membership Meeting
Date: December 14, 2009

Officers:

President Roger Winter	PRESENT
Vice President Brian Canty	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	PRESENT
Treasurer Mark Cappola	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT
Andrea Golinsky	PRESENT
Gregory Orr	PRESENT
John Palmieri	PRESENT
Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
First Deputy Chief Joseph Denimarck	ABSENT
Second Deputy Chief Anne Gabriel	PRESENT
Third Deputy Chief Robert Loysch	PRESENT
Chief Dispatcher Richard Stone	PRESENT
Sunday Co. 1 Captain Christopher Winter	PRESENT
Monday Co. 2 Captain Maureen Umberto	ABSENT
Tuesday Co. 3 Captain Casey Stone	PRESENT
Wednesday Co. 4 Captain Alison Russo	PRESENT
Thursday Co. 5 Captain Samantha Ryan	PRESENT
Friday Co. 6 Captain Brendan Fitts	ABSENT
Saturday Co. 7 Captain Jeffrey Brenner	PRESENT

Meeting called to order at 2030 hrs

Guests: None

Secretary confirmed a quorum is in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lead by Jerry Giacomini

President Winter had a moment of silence.

Motion by Jeff Brenner, seconded by Rich Stone to suspend the reading of the minutes and accept the November General Membership Meeting minutes as amended.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence received was read to the membership by Secretary.

President's Report – Roger Winter:

I would like to thank Robert Franz for his efforts on the LOSAP Referendum. I would also like to thank our Poll Watchers Annette & Bernie Hershkowitz, Andrea Golinsky, Jean Giacomini and Clara Elliott for helping at the election site..

The Children's Holiday Party was a huge success thanks for organizing the party goes to Susan Otto and Trish Reciniello. Several other people also helped, Phil Orlando was an outstanding Santa Claus. Brian Canty, Caroline Niceforo, Brian Quinn, John Maier, Krystal Cruz, Phil Kraese – husband of Mary Beth all helped with purchasing the gifts , wrapping the gifts and running the party with the set up and breakdown of the party.. The following children were Elf's and helped with the activities and Santa's gift giving; Sean Quinn, Vito Reciniello, Chad Maier, Ave Logomassino, Sue Otto's daughter.

Board Actions / Information– Approved the following:

- Food Drive Huntington Station Enrichment Center additional will be given to the St. Hugh Outreach Program. – Lehti Lass is taking care of this food drive.
- Advancement of \$100.00 for the Cash Box – Election Day
- LOSAP Database clean up
- SCM Review Training Report
- Rack and Server to replace and enhance our abilities.
- Pediatric Education for Prehospital Professionals (PEPP) Class
- Board of Directors Annual Dinner Meeting
- Operational Officers Annual Dinner Meeting
- Administrative Members Meal
- Reliable Power Alternatives Corporation – natural gas procurement.
- Annual Dues NYS Association of Fire Chiefs 2010
- Annual Dues Fireman's Association of the State of NY 2010
- Snow Removal – Muller Landscaping

Treasurer Report:

BUDGET

We're working very hard to come up with a working budget for 2010. We are doing our best to make sure that we allow every department to get what they need based on last year's expenditures and anticipated expenses. There will be some cuts to in some areas to allow for expected increases in costs for next year. But what you need to keep in mind is that this is a working document, it is a template which can and in all likelihood will be modified as the year progresses. But, it is also a reality check that we need to be careful how we spend our money.

COMMUNICATIONS

On November 22, we submitted three applications to the FCC.

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- 1) (FCC file # 0004040585) notified the FCC that HCFAS constructed the repeater station at Boxer Court and 10 of the authorized mobile units.
- 2) The second application (FCC file # 0004040587) submitted to the FCC sought extended implementation to place in operation the remainder of the repeaters and mobile units.
- 3) The third application, submitted to the frequency coordinator, seeks modification of the license to remove the Burr's Lane site, reduce the number of mobile units to 100 and redistribute the mobile units (to 12 vehicular units and 88 portables).

On November 24, The FCC "accepted" the notification of construction filed last week on behalf of HCFAS for call sign WQIU942. (application #1)

Today I received from our att'y in Washington who filed on our behalf the following report: "I'm pleased to report that the FCC granted the request for extended implementation that we submitted. Therefore, HCFAS remains licensed for all of its originally authorized locations and mobile units. (application #2)"

You will recall that we also prepared a separate application for modification to remove the Burr's Lane site, reduce the number of mobile units to 100 and redistribute the mobile units. This application was submitted for frequency coordination and we expect it will be transmitted to the FCC sometime this week. (application #3).

We are currently in discussion with SCPD to utilize their tower facility at Caumsett and if necessary at Jayne's Hill, with the inclusion of those sites, we will , for all practical purposes, have nearly 100% district coverage under the new frequencies.

We'll keep you posted.

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey:

25 Years of Service – Margaret Cornelius

10 Years of Service – Nancy Courtemanche

5 Years of Service – Reina Gomez, Shadon "Chuck Brady, Rich Gierbolini

Thanked committee members.

Thank-you to Andrea and Bob for their work on the referendum vote.

Thank-you to Patty for her work on the Pulse.

Driver's in the 80 vehicles clarified.

If you did not submit proof of a PPD your gift card was withheld.

Second Deputy Chief's Report – Anne Gabriel given by Pam Brenner Biersack:

The review training will be out soon.

Third Deputy Chief's Report - Robert Loysch:

Thanked all those for their support while 3rd Deputy Chief for the last two years.

Chief Dispatcher's Report - Richard Stone:

First I would like to thank the following for all the help they have given me during this past year. Mike Barker, Nancy Courtamanche, Tomo Hirasawa, Jim Mallilo, Jonathan Stone, Mary Brenner, Keith Rubenstein, and Lorrie Stone. I would also like to thank the many dispatchers that go unsung without whose help my job would have been impossible.

During this past year we have had 32 members pass their dispatch test including 2 that passed last week. Congratulations to all including Dennis Vangroski #1274 and Lori Bennett #1265. For all dispatchers please remember to enter ALS providers when they answer for any Charlie, Delta or Echo calls even if they are disregarded.

For November we have answered 479 calls, We had 17 sign 24's, we gave away and 3 24's we covered for other departments.

Sunday Co. 1 Captain's Report – Christopher Winter:

Thank you to all for your support this year. It has been fun and challenging.

Congratulation to Lori Bennett for passing her dispatch test. This past Sunday was her first day on the air alone and she handled 5 calls on her shift! Great job.

Congratulations to Zeb Rahami for advancing to Crew Leader!

In November, we had just a couple 24's. Mid morning is the problem. We still need back up help between 10am and 2pm.

ALS help is what is needed the most. Our first 2 shifts do not have ALS providers on them.

Tuesday Co. 3 Captain's Report - Casey Stone.

First off I would like to thank the membership for another great year as being Captain. Without the help and support of the members our days wouldn't run smoothly. Thank you to everyone who has continued to help out on Tuesdays.

Help is still needed: 0700-1100 shift need either a driver or an ALS provider.

1100-1500 shift needs first aiders and a dispatcher.

1900-2300 shift needs ALS

2300-0700 shift needs firstaiders

If anyone can help out please contact me.

Wednesday Co. 4 Captain's Report – Alison Russo:

Thanked everyone who came out to assist the day. Wednesday's had one of the lowest mutual aid rates for the year.

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Thursday Co. 5 Captain's Report - Samantha Ryan:

Thanked those who come out to do back-up.
Requested help on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve.

Delegate Reports:

Andrea Golinsky Delegate Dist. 7:

Referendum update given and thanked those who voted.
Class A uniforms are downstairs and there are extras.

Committee Reports:

Pam Brenner Biersack- CME:

Thanked Brian Canty for the CPR refresher.
Would like to see monthly CPR classes.
Informed members that if you miss one CME class with no cancellation you will receive a letter from the county. A second missed class with no cancellation will make you responsible for payment of the class.

Jerry Giacomini- Uniform Committee:

Workshirts take 4-6 weeks to arrive please be aware.

Robert Franz :

Thanked those that voted for the referendum.
Beneficiary updates see him.

Brian Canty- Special Events:

Thanked Sue Otto and Trish Reciniello for the work they did on the Children's Holiday Party.

Old Business: None

New Business: Jim Barkocy reminded members that if they needed help from the Benevolent committee to contact him. Everything is confidential.

Secretary thanked those members who assisted with the election for the day.

Raffle Winners:

Flowers-
Jim Barkocy, Kate Dolgin, Alyssa Axelrod, Chris Winter, Nancy Barker, Bernie Hershkowitz.

HUNTINGTON COMMUNITY FIRST AID SQUAD

Results for the 2010 Board of Directors and Operational Officers

General Election: December 14, 2009

258 Eligible Voters.

178 Total Votes casted at the general election.

Board of Directors: four (4)

126 Mark Cappola

Write in: 54 Bernard Poole

136 Brian Canty

2 Richard Rudolph

119 Roger Winter

1 Alyssa Axelrod

104 Robert Franz

1 Christine Blackwell

2 Thomas Romano

1 Salvatore Signorelli

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Chief: one (1)

113 Dominic Heavey

Write in: 11 Joseph Denimarck

2 Bernard Poole

1 Christopher Winter

1st Deputy Chief: one (1)

123 Anne Gabriel

Write in: 1 Christopher Winter

1 Alyssa Axelrod

1 Todd Atkin

2nd Deputy Chief: one (1)

110 Jeffrey Brenner

Write in: 1 Tom Lemp

1 Eric Schmierer

1 Casey Stone

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3rd Deputy Chief: one (1)

82 **David Mohr**

77 Kathy Gearey Write in: 1 Robert Loysch

Chief Dispatcher: one (1)

28 Joseph Frisenda

77 **Richard Stone**

61 James Mallilo Write in: None

Day Captain: seven (7)

119 **Pamela Brenner Biersack** Write in: 9 **Martha Brenner**

115 **Tim Ebert** 5 Casey Stone

125 **Samantha Ryan** 3 Chris Winter

124 **Paul Biersack** 2 Maureen Umberto

118 **Alison Russo** 2 Kathy Gearey

126 **Keith Rubenstein**

Motion by Jeff Brenner, seconded by Andrea Golinsky to destroy the ballots.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion by Liz Steenson seconded by Jeff Brenner to adjourn the meeting at 22:10 hours.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully Submitted,

Lehti Laas

Lehti Laas

Secretary

Draft sent to members: January 4, 2009

Approved: January 11, 2010