



**FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION OF
BROWARD COUNTY**
Mutual Aid & Communications Committee

**January 24, 2024
Lauderhill FD HQ**

Minutes

Agencies in Attendance

	Broward Ambulance Licensing	✓	Lauderdale By the Sea Fire Rescue
	Broward Emergency Mgmt.		Lighthouse Point Fire Rescue
	Broward Healthcare Coalition	✓	Margate Fire Rescue
✓	Broward Sheriff's Office Fire	✓	Miramar Fire Rescue
✓	BSO Communications	✓	North Lauderdale Fire Rescue
✓	Broward Trauma Services	✓	Oakland Park Fire Rescue
✓	Broward OCT	✓	Pembroke Pines Fire Rescue
	Coconut Creek Fire Rescue	✓	Plantation Fire Rescue
✓	Coral Springs Communications	✓	Plantation Communications
✓	Coral Springs Fire	✓	Pompano Beach Fire Rescue
✓	Davie Fire Rescue	✓	Seminole Tribe Fire Rescue
✓	Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue	✓	South Florida REST
✓	Hollywood Fire Rescue	✓	Sunrise Fire Rescue
✓	Lauderhill Fire Rescue	✓	Tamarac Fire Rescue

- **Welcome/ Introduction of Members and Guests:** Roll call / Thanks to Forts for hosting Holiday Lunch.
- **Presentations:** None
- **Approval of last meeting minutes:** Motion by Lloyd, 2nd by Santiago

Standing Reports:

- **Regional CAD Update: (S. Frederick)**
 - Introduction of new member
 - Open ticket for FUR – Engine being recommended before Rescue on Fire Calls
 - HUB Solution – Motorola on site for legacy hardware upgrade



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- GIS (Lynn) – any routing issues need to be reported for possible fix, feedback wanted
- **Plantation Communications Update: (E. Lubow)**
 - No updates
- **Coral Springs Communications Update:**
 - No updates
- **Regional Communications BSO Update:**
 - No updates
- **P25 & FSA Update:** (S. Lowe)
 - 5 year anniversary of the FSA equipment – Looking to lifecycle the equipment in 2024-25.
 - FSA Dashboard at the dispatchers level has been tabled until system can be made independent of CAD
 - P25 – upgrading the talk group logging solution (May of 2024)
 - ARL went live on Dec 12– working on some deliverables before close out
 - Showcased the latest dispatch console to a core group in Dispatch- life cycling in the next 2 years
 - Upgrade of the radio systems router – per contractual lifecycle
- **Old Business:**
 - Follow up on the extended Ocean Zones
 - Nothing new to report
 - Last Out Status
 - Fo station discussed with Sandy – Not capable due to many factors
 - Last out is OOS status – recommendation to remove LAST OUT
 - All departments agree to remove LAST OUT status
 - To be brought to CAD Governance for final approval – start instructing your personnel
 - FCABC SOP Revisions
 - Uniform Radio Designations
 - Changing Radio Designations
 - Chief Designations
 - Assistant Chief for FTL
 - Division Chief for BSO
 - Safety Officer – Chief Frazier request as a capability for units (Sandy confirmed units can have multiple capabilities) – no opposition



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- Safety Officer Capability – FL Incident Safety officer course (40 hr.) course
 - Vehicle Type Changes – Tanker and Tender
 - Creation of a radio designation for the Community Paramedic Program
- Request to have a list of all designations for each Fire Department – removals and additions
- Mutual Aid Policy to be given to Angie for input and revisions
- Follow up in February
- **New Business:**
 - MEDCOM Policy Procedure Update (Angie)
 - FCABC requesting to have MEDCOM bypassed and units going directly to hospital channel.
 - Seeing about a 30% decline in PTT for MEDCOM
 - Plan is to fold MEDCOM to one singular workstation, BCF INFO
 - MAP Grid removed from Pagers
 - Request through ORCAT to have them reinstated – no opposition
 - MAP Grid is in CAD
 - Removal of arrival Coverage (Sandy)
 - MDT- Function Keys has AR Coverage F10 which needs to be removed – no opposition
 - No request to replace this Function key with other status
 - WhatsApp groups
 - FC's and Ops Chiefs group established.
 - Reminder for those who need to be added to the groups
 - Specialty Bypass
 - Hospital Dashboard – request to those who need access
 - Alerts for diversions and specialty bypass – County wide page
 - Policy update needed – no opposition

Open Discussion:

- Automatic Aid Agreement
 - Standardizing the agreement countywide – one which includes all legalities
 - Decision to leave agreements as individualized – no opposition
 - Focus to remain on other policies which need to be updated
- Radio Templates
 - FR CALL channel – monitored by all PSAPs
 - FR Info is non critical
 - Possible update for 3rd touch
- Air 85
 - Back in service by mid-February (Kane)



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- Whole Blood will continue to be carried on the unit
- Push to carry more whole blood on units throughout the county

- **Good and Welfare:** None

Next Meeting: February 21, 2024 @ 1400 hrs. - Lauderhill FD HQ

Meeting Adjourned: 1455 hrs.