

COLORADO STATE FIRE CHIEFS COMBINATION SECTION MEETING

**October 18, 2016
Keystone Conference Center
Keystone, CO**

MEETING MINUTES

1400

Chief Mygatt, Boulder Rural Fire Rescue, began the meeting by having each department representative introduce themselves and what department they represent.

After introducing the topic, **Chief MyGatt** asked **Chief Holzwarth**, East Grand County FPD, to start the discussion

- Chief T. Holzwarth – East Grand County FPD
 - Purchased a new Rescue Engine this past spring
 - Promoted new Training and Volunteer Coordinators
 - Currently, has 5 uniformed and 34 volunteers

- Chief M. Schuppe – Brighton Fire Rescue District
 - Saw a drop in AV due to a decline in Oil and Gas
 - New Station:
 - Moving from current location in town to just outside
 - Will house Engine, Rescue, and BC when it is finish
 - Will also have an underground rescue training facility
 - New improved ISO Rating of 2/10
 - Currently, has 59 Career and 5 Volunteer

- Chief R. Bateman – Front Range Fire Rescue Authority
 - New improved ISO Rating of 3
 - Awarded and EMTS Grant for ambulances and new Power cots
 - Lost some line personnel to larger departments

- Chief R. Jones – Colorado River Fire Rescue
 - Hired new Fire Chief
 - 31% hit on AV due to decrease in Oil and Gas
 - Purchasing a new engine
 - Hired a new EMS and Operations Chief
 - Call volume is up 27%. Currently at 1900 calls this year

- Dino Ross – Ireland Stapleton
 - Will be leading the conversation on Conflict Resolution & Other Personnel Issues at the next meeting. If you have any topics/examples you would like him to talk about please email him.

- Chief T. Steck – Elizabeth Fire Protection District
 - Current staff: 20 Full-time/10 part-time/35 volunteers/3 Reserve
 - Saw an increased AV this year
 - Finished writing their 10-Year Strategic Plan. First one for the District.
 - Bond Issue on this year's Ballot
 - Looking at a joint fleet facilities with Rattlesnake FPD

- Chief A. Fletcher – Fairmount Fire Protection District
 - Working on updating station alerts
 - Awarded grant for Bunker Gear (\$98K)
 - New service contract with AMR.
 - Looking at a reserve program for next year

- Chief H. Doughty – Durango Fire Rescue Authority
 - Looking at a decreased AV due to decrease in Oil and Gas revenue
 - Hired a consultant for impact fees
 - Consolidation talks amongst 4 agencies in La Plata County
 - Saw successes in recruiting and retention with volunteer program

- Chief B. MyGatt – Boulder Rural Fire Protection District
 - Saw a 16% increase in AV
 - Improved ISO Rating of 4
 - In talks with Rocky Mountain Fire for a possible merger next year
 - Experiencing a high turnover with personnel going to larger districts

- Chief G. Curmode – Copper Mountain Fire Protection District
 - Mil Levy won by 2 votes. Funds will go to:
 - Buying a new quint and type I pumper
 - Hiring 2 additional firefighters
 - Go to funding future replacement costs
 - After wrapping up the updates for Copper Mnt. FPD Chief Curmode updated the group on information from the IAFC Conference.

Chief MyGatt wrapped up the meeting by thanking everyone for attending.

1600

Meeting was adjourned

NEXT MEETING:

December 9, Conflict Resolution & Other Personnel Issues

1000 - 1400