

Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel
Ocala, FL
October 13, 2006

Chairman Les Hallman called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

NAME

James Angle, Palm Harbor Special Fire Control Dist.
William Bryson, Miami Fire Department
Michael Coker, Division of Forestry
Julie Downey, Davie Fire Rescue
Les Hallman, South Walton Fire Dist.
Jon Pasqualone, FI Fire Marshals and Inspectors Assoc.
Shayne Stewart, Okaloosa Island Fire District
Laurie Sweeney, Orange County Fire-Rescue Dept.
Charles "Scotty" Taylor Jr., Gainesville Fire Rescue
Ron Williams, Lake County Vo-Tech

REPRESENTING:

FI Assoc. of Special Districts
FI Fire Chiefs' Assoc.
Division of Forestry
State Fire Marshal
FI Fire Chiefs' Assoc.
FI Fire Marshals & Inspectors Assoc.
State Fire Marshal
FI Professional Firefighters
FI Professional Firefighters
State Fire Marshal

ABSENT:

John Drago, City of Longwood
Scott McDermid, Bureau of EMS
Dr. Ron Nutter
Stockton Reeves, VI

FI League of Cities
Bureau of EMS
State Fire Marshal
Insight, Orlando State Fire Marshal

On a motion duly made, the minutes from the Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel held on July 21, 2006 were approved.

Motion carried.

REPORT FROM DIVISION:

Distribution of report by Sherm Sasser listing non-participating departments.

Director Napoli stated that the Florida Fires (Annual Report) also includes a list of departments that are reporting and statistics from those departments.

Sherm Sasser gave a brief explanation of the report contents.

Director Napoli explained that some counties have independent fire departments that are responding to fires who at one time had an FDID number, however, through reporting

done through the county, the county may have already reported for them, based on that, there is a possibility of duplicate information so therefore the data is “cleaned up”.

Discussion was held on reporting information included in the handout.

Director Napoli requested from panel members that any new information, corrections or changes be forwarded to Keith McCarthy, supervisor of the FFIRS section. Keith is located in the Tallahassee office and is listed on the department website.

REPORT FROM FFIRS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman Hallman reminded panel members that in the previous meeting, discussion was held on establishing task forces to get things going. A report provided by Chief Angle, representing the special districts was distributed. Chief Angle contacted the independent special districts that he was aware of. His findings are included in the report.

Chairman Hallman suggested dividing by regions and for each panel member to identify the departments in their region, reach out to them and bring back their findings to the next meeting. All panel members agreed.

Sherm Sasser explained that the first numbers of the FDID number are the county number. The county number identifies which county the department is located in. He will supply panel members this list.

Director Napoli requested that while gathering information, members should inquire whether or not the department is reporting, if someone else is reporting for them, if so, get the contact information and pass on to Keith McCarthy.

Discussion was held on the current reporting system.

Chairman Hallman reminded the panel that the task still remains for looking at the possible cost to fund some type of interface system would be. Also, something to again consider is the EMS and Forestry component.

Discussion was held on departments which have received grants and reporting. Sherm Sasser stated that if a department is receiving a grant, federal law requires them to report for a one twelve month period after receiving the grant or while you are receiving the grant. The state has previously sent out letters reflecting this information.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

AUDIENCE:

None

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, January 25, 2007 – Jacksonville, FL (Fire Rescue East)

Immediately following Florida Firefighter Employment, Standards & Training Council Meeting which is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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