

BCFFA Meeting Minutes

6/6/2013

In attendance, Allenspark, AMR, BCSO Communications, BES, Bldr mtn Fire, Four Mile, Gold Hill, Left Hand, Nederland, RMR, Sugarloaf Bld Emg Serv.

Fire Training Center, New entrance gates are in and the old key card system should still work. If you need additional key cards contact Marci Linton.

A big congrats to Left Hand fire for beating out Ned Fire on having the first Fire Wise Community in the County.

EOC, Amy gave a recap of the “just in time” statusing that occurred last week with the Blue Bell fire. Really went well but could have used a little more participation. If you are not sure how to post your availability call Amy now.

ESF4 position in the EOC is a fire resource position and one that has never been truly supported by use the fire departments. In order for us to have good communications and representation we need folks to fill this job. This fire rep is critical in large and even medium sized events. Qualifications for this position is to have a working knowledge of the fire service, Boulder County as a whole and some organizational skills (is a chief can do this anyone can). To help facilitate new folks the EOC is having two training opportunities this month. June 19th at 1900 hrs at the Nederland fire station and June 26th at 1900hrs at the EOC in Boulder. Call Mike Chard to RSVP or if you have a question 303-565-7878

Local Resource Coordinator, Because we the fire chiefs have gotten in the way of dynamic dispatching and the inherent difficulties in creating run cards for wildland calls. The need to have early coordination of engines early in a major incident (or the series of lightning strikes) BCES, Comm. Center, BCFFA Exec Board, and the EOC have come up with an early version of ESF4 . BCFFA gave its thumbs up at this meeting and looks forward to the Metro Chiefs doing the same.

AMR is stopping its 9th Brain CE's tracking system due to lack of use. Please contact them if you have CE tracking needs.

AMR city of Boulder Ambulances and County Buses are now more available to each other in times of need. AMR will handle the dispatching as needed, however if you in the field wish to check on where the bus is coming from and ETA please do so.

Comm. Center reminds us that they do not have NWCG Engine Types in CAD. They have engine, brush tender, ambulance.

Deb Nasta has taken a job in Weld County Communications. Due to her departure the management structure will be in flux for a while. Good news is there are 6 new dispatchers and so the over worked supervisors can now get some much needed help.

Boulder Emergency Squad is 50 years old. They remind us that the creeks are running fast and they are ready. If your department wants a fast water awareness training call them. Bes also has 15 red carded members that make great hand crews. With the addition of a 6 person crew carrier they make a great addition to your wildland team.

Nederland not to be out done is 100 years old and challenges all to the BARREL WAR. July 4 entry fee is 2 pots of chili call Rick Dirr for more details.

RMR was recredited this spring.

Four Mile Fire contracted with Awareness Media to produce a 10-15 movie on what we learned from the Fourmile Canyon Fire and what homeowners should do to prevent their home from burning next time. To fully develop the movie it will cost \$20,000 Four Mile Fire has invested 10k and seeking other funding. BCFFA has agreed to pay 3,000 in exchange for rights to use the film for all its members. Motion was made and passed to pay awareness \$3,000 in exchange for rights to a generic version for use by BCFFA members.

Meeting adjourned