

**Fire Rescue Commission Meeting
Kernersville Fire Department
Kernersville, NC**

January 10, 2023

Member Attendees:	Harley Cook, Chair	Ryan Cole	Robert Poe
	Cloyce Anders	Freddy Johnson	Randy Thompson
	Kevin Gordon	Vernon Massengill	Walter Gardner
	Tim Henshaw	Scott Mullins	Steve Roberson
	Gary Whitman	Andy Thomas	Brian Taylor

Others present: Monna Gillespie, Shawn Haynes, Ashley Iceman, Mike Williams, Brian Wade, Katherine Burton, Paul Ward

Welcome and call to order – Harley Cook 10:00 AM

Invocation – Cloyce Anders

Ethics Statement – Harley Cook

Elections – Paul Ward

Gary Whitman nominated Kevin Gordon as Vice President. Cloyce Anders seconded. Approved
Kevin Gordon nominated Harley Cook as the Chair. Gardner seconded. Approved.

Kevin Gordon moved to close nominations. Cloyce Anders seconded. Approved.

Approval of Agenda as presented- Walter Gardner moved to approve the agenda. Cloyce Anders seconded.
Motion approved.

Approval of October 11, 2022 minutes – Cloyce Anders made a motion to approve the October 2022 minutes.
Kevin Gordon seconded. Motion approved.

Appointments:

Harley Cook read Commissioner Causey’s Appointments/Re-Appointments to F&R Commission Board

1) FRC Commission Board -- Appointments/Re-Appointments by Commissioner Causey

Steven Roberson – Appointment – NC State Fireman’s Ass.	Term expiration - 12-31-2025
Harley Cook – Re-Appointment – NC Society of Fire Instructors	Term expiration – 12-20-2025
Andy Thomas – Re-Appointment – NC IAAI	Term expiration – 12-20-2025
Cloyce Anders – Re-Appointment - Public at Large	Term expiration – 12-20-2025
Joshua Smith – Re-Appointment – Professional of Fire fighter & Paramedics of NC	Term expiration – 12-20-2025

2) FRC Commission Appointments – via Harley Cook via email dated 10-19-2022

Certification Board – Jason Edwards – Appointment – replaced Wes Hutchins

CFI Board – Lee Newcomb – Re-appointment

Workers Comp Board – Cloyce Anders, Jerry Brooks, Richard Trexler – Re-appointment

3. Nominations:

Kevin Gordon moved to reappoint Jim Hanline to the Certification Board. Freddy Johnson Seconded. Approved.

Freddy Johnson moved to appoint Doug Bissette to the Certification Board. Ryan Cole seconded. Approved.

Kevin Gordon moved to reappoint Terry Foxx to the Certification Board. Ryan Cole seconded. Approved.

Kevin Gordon moved to reappoint Tim Bradley to the Workers Compensation Board. Scott Mullins seconded. Approved.

Gary Whitman moved to reappoint Jerry Bradshaw to the Workers Compensation Board. Ryan Cole seconded. Approved.

Board Reports

Certification Board - Chair Kevin Gordon

Chief 101 – updates – annual online or can wait to take all 5-year updates at the end of the cycle to recertify prior to expiration date. Discussion. Scott Mullins moved to approve the Chiefs 101 update changes as presented. Randy Thompson seconded. Approved.

FF – ISO – 580G – This allows FDID to run training and the attendees must challenge the test & practical to get certification credit but will get ISO non-certification certificate credit will be given without doing those pieces. Discussion. Gary Whitman moved to accept the FF ISO 580 G program as presented. Walter Gardner seconded. Approved.

Live Fire –Ground Ops 9 (fire Control) – Under the age of 18 years must submit email to OSFM – provide proof that all pre-reqs have been met, Chief & Parent must sign approval form. OSFM will send letter of acceptance to take the class. Student must provide letter upon arrival to test. Discussion. Scott Mullins moved to accept the changes to FF age requirement as presented. Freddy Johnson seconded. Approved.

Discussion on Letter from Brunswick County Fire Chief's Association – Sent to F&R Commission Board. (Attached) Next Certification Board meeting is March 2, 2023.

Freddy Johnson moved to accept the Certification Board report. Scott Mullins 2nd. Approved.

Volunteer Safety Workers Compensation Board – Cloyce Anders – See attachment

Scott Mullins moved to accept Worker Compensation Board report. Freddy Johnson 2nd. Motion Approved.

Certified Fire Investigator Board - Freddy Johnson

2021-2022 50 applications for CFI with 36 approved, 14 denied.
CFI Board working to update the CFI test.

Old Business

Felony Committee – Kevin Gordon

No new information to report.

New Business

None

Agency Reports

OSFM Report – Brian Taylor

New office update – Rock Quarry is OSFM new location – hope to be in by March 1st.
Legislation in town this week
Workers Compensation report
Audits Report
Cancer Report
AFFF compliance – end of the month report
New OSFM Legislative Liaison is Brent Heath
Assembly of TIMS Committee – 1st meeting last week in January.
Update on Stanley Training Center

NCSFA – Tim Bradley

Certified Roster due by January 15th
Relief usage is up – 2.6 Million dollars last year
15 Scholarships available – Due March 15th

Association of Rescue & EMS – Joel Faircloth – See Attachment

Association of Fire Chiefs – Wes Hutchins – See Attachment

Department of Community Colleges – Kenny Wetherington

No formal report

Emergency Management – Scott Zander – See Attachment

Society of Fire/Rescue Instructors – Joe littleton

Professional Firefighters and Paramedics of NC – Josh Smith

Working on Permanent Funding – Cancer Fund
Working in change to 25 years to retirement
NFP1970 update

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Dept of Labor – No report

OEMS – Wally Ainsworth - See Attachment

Forestry – No report

Dept of Justice

No formal report

Other Business

Phil Welch Celebration will be held at the next meeting.

Ethics items due in by April 15th.

Next meeting – April 11, 2023 @ The Legrand Center – Cleveland CC

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monna Gillespie

Gillespie, Monna

From: harleycook <harleycook@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 19, 2022 2:57 PM
To: Gillespie, Monna
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Monna,
The following are appointed or reappointed

Certification Board
Jason Edwards - Appointed

CFI Board
Lee Newcomb - Re-Appointed

Workers Comp Board
Cloyce Anders - Re-Appointed
Jerry Brooks - Re-Appointed
Richard Trexler- Re-Appointed

Chief 101 Instructor Qualification Requirements

Pre-Requisites

- Level II Instructor
- Chief 101 (2020)
- Fire Officer III
- Achieved the rank of Chief Level Officer in a department for a minimum of 10 years. To be validated by a letter from the department on letterhead.

Qualification Process:

- It is the policy of the Fire and Rescue Commission to have a set number (20) of instructors for each region. The regions will align with the East, Piedmont, and West in terms of the Regional Fire Associations.
- For regions that are not staffed to the designated numbers of instructors (20 in each region), then qualifications will be conducted until the designated numbers are achieved. The qualification courses can be taken at the Qualification Schools that will be posted at Certification and Training - Testing Page.
- The procedure for determining the region a qualified instructor is in will be the address that is on record with the NC Fire and Rescue Commission and verified on the NC Driver's License.
- Candidate must take and pass with an 80%, a qualification exam and in accordance to all NC Fire and Rescue Commission policies. Candidates will be allowed one retest and if the second attempt is failed must wait a year to attempt the process again.
- In the case of a tie between candidates on the exam the following process will be used to decide who will receive the qualification.
- Certification date as Instructor II
- Certification date as FO III
- Certification date as FF II
- Qualify all remaining tied instructors

Requalification for Current Instructors:

- All current instructors who are Chief 101 qualified must attend a requalification course to maintain their qualification.
- Re-qualifications will take place every five years or as the course is updated. If an instructor does not attend a re-qualification, they will forfeit their qualification.
- All instructors are required to teach five courses during the five-year qualification period.

Firefighter ISO 580G Certificate (non-Certification) –

Vision: Create a training program that would allow fire departments to train their volunteer firefighters to a NFPA 1001 based program, while gaining credit toward ISO credit, and providing an option to the accredited Fire Fighter Certification Program.

Background:

The Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS) states the following regarding recruit training:

Recruit Training Program (T₇):

240 hours per recruit within the first year of employment or tenure (or certification) in accordance with the general criteria of NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications.
Up to.....5 points

Firefighter training should be in accordance with the general criteria of NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications. Give credit for class hours spent towards the completion of Firefighter I and Firefighter II training (in accordance with the general criteria of NFPA 1001).
Firefighters who obtain the Firefighter I and Firefighter II designation (in accordance with the general criteria of NFPA 1001) before employment or within the first year of employment or tenure meet the intent of Section 580G.

1. Firefighter ISO 580G Training Option –

- a. Firefighter ISO 580G Certificate (based on NFPA 1001)
- b. ISO 580G option shall be a minimum of 247 hours (207 hours delivered by the FD and 40 hours allotted for FIP 3049); see table below –

	3-hour
Orientation (Chapter 1, 22)	9
Fire Service Communications (Chapter 4)	12
Firefighter Health & Safety (Chapters 2, 20)	21
PPE (Chapter 3)	24
Building Construction (Chapter 6)	12
Portable Extinguishers (Chapter 7)	9
Fire Behavior (Chapter 5)	12
Tools and Forcible Entry (Chapters 8, 10)	15
Loss Control (Chapters 19, 28)	15
Ladders (Chapter 11)	15
Ventilation (Chapter 13)	21
Water Supplies (Chapter 14)	21
Hose, Streams, Appliances (Chapters 15, 16)	21
Total hours to allowed to be delivered by FD	207
Fire Control (Chapter 17, 21, 23)	40
<i>Must be FIP 3049 FF Fireground Ops 9 (FF 2019)</i>	
Total hours to complete Volunteer FF ISO Certificate	247

- c. No written test at the end of each course (local option; non-certification).
- d. May be taught by a Qualified FF Instructor; who holds the appropriate qualification for this additional delivery option.
 - i. 100% skills must be tested, and successfully passed by the candidates, to receive the "Firefighter ISO 580G Certificate".
 - ii. It shall be the responsibility of the Fire Chief to enter and maintain each class that a member completes, in the Firefighter ISO 580G Training Option, as defined by the Certification Board.
- e. If the above requirements are met, and the candidates successfully completes the program, their training transcript which will show a "certificate of completion" for any/all personnel who successfully completes the "Firefighter ISO 580G" program.
- f. Fire Chiefs should consider using **FIP-4728 Special Topics: Fire and Rescue**, if they prefer utilizing their local community college to deliver this program or work with their local community college to develop local course numbers.

2. Road Map to accredited Fire Fighter Certification –

- a. Meet the requirements of the FF certification program
- b. Hold the "Firefighter ISO 580G Certificate"
- c. Registered and successfully completed a testing session at the Certification School (C-School) conducted by the OSFM Staff, **as directed by the Certification Board**. The testing session will include both knowledge and skill components for IFSAC Certification.
 - i. 10-15 randomly chosen skills
 - ii. 100-question written exam (appropriately distributed for FFI and FFII)
 - iii. Candidates passing the C-School testing session will receive credit on their certification transcripts for FIP 3040, FIP 3041, FIP 3042, FIP 3043, FIP 3044, FIP 3045, FIP 3047, and FIP 3048.
- d. Candidates who select this route must complete the entire C-School testing option within two (2) years of the date their "Firefighter ISO 580G Certificate" was issued.
- e. Successfully complete the remaining certification courses and additional certification requirements. These are listed in the table below:

From 2019 FF Program	Rec Hours	Max Hours
FIP 3046 FF Fireground Ops 6 (FF 2019)		
Ropes & Knots (Chapter 9)		
Search & Rescue (Chapter 12)		
	28	34
FIP 3050 FF Rescue Ops 1 (FF 2019)		
Rescue (Chapters 24, 25)		
	28	34
FIP 3051 FF Fire and Life Safety Initiatives (FF 2019)		

Fire Detection & Suppression Systems (Chapter 26)		
Fire and Life Safety Initiatives (Chapter 27)		
	28	34
Additional Certification Course Hours	84	102
FIP 5556 HM Ops (Chapters 4/5/6.2/6.6)	40	48
FIP 6413 Mayday / Safety & Survival (RIC 2020)	24	29
FIP 7000 Traffic Incident Management	4	5
FIP 7001 FF/TR Emergency Medical Care	12	14
Additional Requirements - Hours	80	96
Total Hours to be certified as FF	164	198

Proposed Firefighter Certification Policy Adjustment

Current policy:

Firefighter Certification precludes anyone under the age of 18 the ability to take Firefighter Ops 9 until the firefighter turns age 18.

Reasons Policy was Enacted:

When the current policy was enacted, several changes were being addressed by the Certification Board. These included:

- Complete Revision of the Live Fire Qualification Program
- Firefighter Certification Revision from individual classes to a grouped course format
- Addressing concerns of Junior Firefighter programs across the state as part of the 9S rules changing and the new 9S Administrative Rules that went into effect in 2017.

Considerations for Adjusting the Current Policy:

Regardless of age, departments still have members that join who are under the age of 18 and are still allowed to engage in interior firefighting operations. The policy change would at least ensure that they have some baseline training to a minimum standard delivered by a qualified instructor.

Allows the Authority Having Jurisdiction in a department, to make the decision which is best for the organization in terms of minimum training prior to allowing someone to engage in interior operations.

Recognizes the success of the Live Fire Qualification changes that were made and have been in place for over 18 months.

Live Fire Training conducted as part of certification is more focused and objective driven than just a typical live fire structural training event. All burn evolutions are carried out to demonstrate and teach specific interior fire attack operations in accordance with NFPA 1001.

Specific Language for the Adjusted Policy:

Firefighters under the age of 18 can only take Fire Ground Ops 9 after they have completed all other modules in the Firefighter Certification Series as well as Hazardous Materials Operations.

The Firefighter who is less than 18 and wants to take the Fire Ground Ops 9 course after completing all other courses in the Firefighter series will need to complete the following procedure:

- Student will e mail OSFM to request permission to take the Fire Ground Ops 9 course.

- OSFM staff will research the transcript to ensure that all courses have been completed. Once verified, a letter will be sent to the Firefighter that states that they can participate in the Fire Ground Ops 9 course.
- The letter will also state that the student cannot participate in interior firefighting in any other Live Fire Training Evolutions that are conducted by Qualified Live Instructors or Community College until they reach the age 18.
- The letter will also have two signature lines, one for the Fire Chief and one for the Parent or Guardian. Both these signatures must be present for the form to be valid.
- When a student under the age of 18 registers for a Fireground Ops 9 course, the Delivery Agency will be required to ask for a copy of the letter mentioned above from OSFM from the student. If the student cannot produce the letter, they will not be allowed to register for the course.

The Authority have Jurisdiction (AHJ) has the authority to preclude a member of the department from taking Fire Ground Ops 9 if the departments policy does not allow anyone under the age of 18 to participate in Live Fire Training.

To emphasize again, the change in Certification Board Policy, still precludes anyone under the age of 18 from participating as part of a Live Fire Training being conducted by a Fire and Rescue Commission Live Fire Qualified Instructor that is outside of a Firefighter Certification Fireground Ops 9 course.

What needs to be done if adopted:

OSFM Staff

Create a portal in which a student can enter their certification Information where the database can check for completion of all Firefighter courses as well as Hazardous Materials Operations.

Once entered the student will receive an automated e mail with the form letter that is to be developed with the required information.

Brunswick County Fire Chiefs' Association

2706 Sunset Harbor Road SE, Bolivia, NC 28422

Doug Todd – President
Rob Johnson – Secretary / Treasurer
Travis Mercer – Board Director

Ronnie Hayes – Vice President
Charles Drew – Board Director

December 13, 2022

To: Fire and Rescue Commission

As you know, it is very challenging to recruit and retain volunteer firefighters. It is also a challenge to get them trained to an advanced level such as certified firefighter level 2 while also trying to accommodate work schedules and free time without burning them out.

The Brunswick County Fire Chief's Association recognizes the importance of certification training and fully supports advanced training for all firefighters. To make training and certification classes obtainable for our volunteer firefighters, we propose reinstating the 2013 firefighter standard while also maintaining the current block schedule to allow departments the option to obtain individual subject certifications without the block schedule. We feel that this schedule is more accommodating to volunteers who want certification while having limited time to train.

We thank you for your consideration with this matter.

Sincerely,



Doug Todd, President

Brunswick County Fire Chief's Association

910-279-2959 cell

Volunteer Safety Worker's Compensation Fund

— Financial Statements for Period Ended
September 30, 2022 and 2021





STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
VOLUNTEER SAFETY WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND

BALANCE SHEET

September 30, 2022 and 2021
(Unaudited)

	<u>Sep-22</u>	<u>Sep-21</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash	\$ 59,133,541	\$ 55,621,730
Investments	13,568,780	15,421,105
Premium receivable	-	10,821
Accrued investment income	25,410	417
Other assets	599,908	678,263
Total Assets	\$ 73,327,639	\$ 71,732,336
 <u>Liabilities and Retained Earnings</u>		
Liabilities:		
Reserve for unpaid claims and claim adjustment expenses	\$ 19,142,547	\$ 19,655,831
Unearned revenue (advance premium)	-	5,283,834
Total Liabilities	\$ 19,142,547	\$ 24,939,665
Retained Earnings	54,185,092	46,792,671
Total Liabilities and Retained Earnings	\$ 73,327,639	\$ 71,732,336



**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
VOLUNTEER SAFETY WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND**

**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND
CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS**

✓
For The Three Months Ended September 30, 2022 and 2021
(Unaudited)

	Sep-22	Sep-21
Revenues:		
Program revenue:		
State of North Carolina funding	\$ 176,002	\$ 328,961
Member contributions earned	562	1,734,045
Net program revenues	\$ 176,564	\$ 2,063,006
Interest income	172,120	77,439
 Total revenues	\$ 348,684	\$ 2,140,445
 Expenses:		
Claims and claim adjustment expenses		
Claims and claim adjustment expenses paid, net	\$ 1,545,089	\$ 2,171,196
Change in reserve for unpaid claims and claim adjustment expenses	349,336	(227,368)
	\$ 1,894,425	\$ 1,943,828
Operating expenses:		
Administrator's fees	\$ 142,150	\$ 145,328
Agent commissions	92,596	46,094
Other	-	311
	\$ 234,746	\$ 191,733
Total expenses	\$ 2,129,171	\$ 2,135,561
 Excess of (expenses over revenues) revenues over expenses	\$ (1,780,487)	\$ 4,884
 Retained earnings at beginning of period	55,965,579	46,787,787
Retained earnings at end of period	\$ 54,185,092	\$ 46,792,671
 Loss Ratio	✓ 1073%	✓ 94%
Expense Ratio	133%	9%
Combined Ratio	1206%	104%



**North Carolina Volunteer Safety
Workers' Compensation Fund
Board Meeting
December 12, 2022**

Financial Statement Highlights

Assets

1. Cash continues to increase due to the additional funding from the State for the last three quarters of 2022, along with favorable claim expense trending. As of September 30, 2022 total cash is \$3.5M higher than it was twelve months prior.
2. Investments are down \$1.85M from last September due to unrealized losses on the portfolio driven by rising interest rates.
3. Total assets are up \$1.6M from twelve months prior, due to the aforementioned changes in cash and investments.

Liabilities

1. Reserves are down \$500K from last year, with case reserves up \$600K and IBNR reserves down \$1.1M. This is consistent with the \$2.1M favorable reserve development noted in Danny Allen's year-end 2022 actuarial review.
2. Total liabilities are down \$5.8M from twelve months prior, mainly due to not collecting member contributions for 2022-23, and thus not recording the associated unearned premium reserve.

Revenues and Expenses

1. Total revenues are down \$1.8M compared to last year. The impact of the elimination of funding, both from the State and members in 2022-23, was partially offset by an increase in interest income.
2. Incurred claims expense is down \$50K from last year, with the decrease in paid losses mostly offset by the increase in loss reserves.
3. Operating expenses are \$43K higher in 2022 than 2021 due to timing of agent commission payments.
4. Retained Earnings increased by \$7.4M to a balance of \$54.2M.

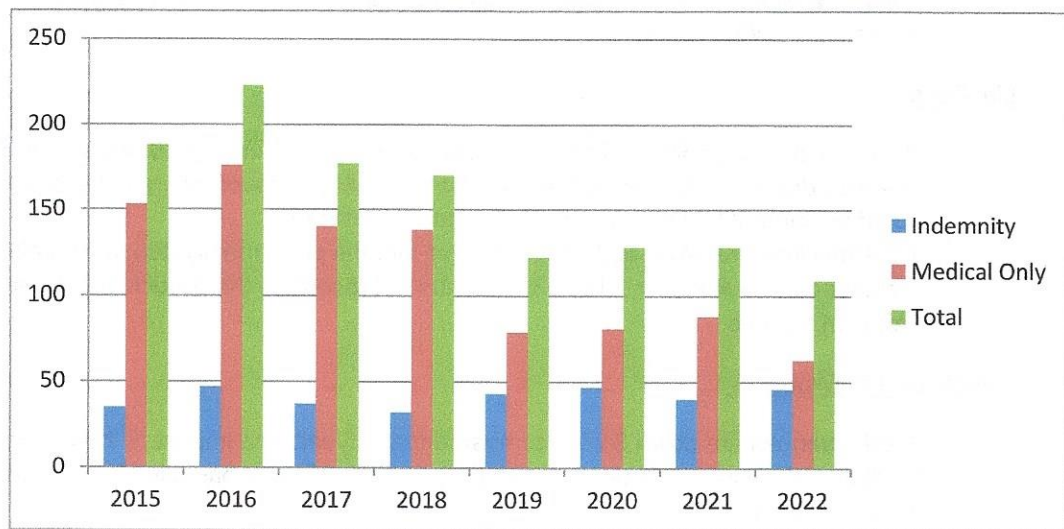
Claims Analysis

At September 30, 2022, there were 246 open claims with total outstanding case reserves of \$11.85M; this represents an increase in open claims of 26 during the quarter, with case reserves up \$600K from June. Listed below are the top 10 open claims by total incurred value as of 9/30/2022. The total reserves on these claims represent 52% of the total outstanding reserves.

Claim #	Employer Name	Accident Date	Paid-to-Date	Reserves	Recoveries	Net Incurred
NCVS-008202	TRAP FIRE DEPARTMENT	3/2/2009	\$1,347,988.20	\$2,399,294.05	(\$347,988.20)	\$3,399,294.05
NCVS-020043	GRANTSBORO-SILVERHILL VOLUNTE **	3/5/2020	\$1,119,466.22	\$1,296,357.21	(\$250,000.00)	\$2,165,823.43
NCVS-006623	COROLLA FIRE & RESCUE SQUAD, I **	1/12/2018	\$1,039,203.41	\$259,829.59	\$0.00	\$1,299,033.00
NCVS-020159	BLACKMAN'S CROSSROADS VOL.FIRE **	5/4/2020	\$447,687.89	\$660,782.69	\$0.00	\$1,108,470.58
NCVS-006630	ETOWAH-HORSE SHOE VOL. FIRE **	1/21/2018	\$295,028.01	\$630,350.50	\$0.00	\$925,378.51
NCVS-017966	SAND HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPAR	9/20/2004	\$688,407.47	\$32,648.46	\$0.00	\$721,055.93
NCVS-004916	EDGEcombe COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD **	9/15/2015	\$378,637.10	\$289,904.06	\$0.00	\$668,541.16
NCVS-018219	ANDERSON TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FI	9/10/2007	\$410,648.72	\$100,478.30	\$0.00	\$511,127.02
4A1603J0V7P-0001	ALLENTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPART **	3/17/2022	\$165,964.52	\$288,461.98	\$0.00	\$454,426.50
NCVS-011221	MTN VIEW VOL FIRE DEPT **	6/13/2013	\$326,616.98	\$220,272.80	(\$100,000.00)	\$446,889.78

** These claims are not covered under an excess reinsurance policy

As shown in the chart below, Medical claims during the first three months have declined significantly for the past four accident years, as compared to the previous four years. indemnity claims have been trending slightly higher. Overall, total reported claims are at 109 to date, which is 33% below the average of 162 claims for the first three months from 2015 through 2021.



	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Indemnity	35	47	37	32	43	47	40	46
Medical Only	153	176	140	138	79	81	88	63
Total	188	223	177	170	122	128	128	109



**VSWCF CLAIM SUMMARY BY YEAR
VALUED AS OF 9/30/2022**

	Claims Open	Claims Closed	Claims Total	Total Paid	Outstanding Reserves	Recovery Received	Net Incurred	Average Cost
1996								
Medical	0	434	434	\$184,024	\$0	\$0	\$184,024	\$424
Indemnity	0	89	89	\$2,704,335	\$0	(\$127,321)	\$2,577,014	\$28,955
Total	0	523	523	\$2,888,360	\$0	(\$127,321)	\$2,761,039	\$5,279
1997								
Medical	0	549	549	\$256,317	\$0	\$0	\$256,317	\$467
Indemnity	0	80	80	\$1,183,125	\$0	\$0	\$1,183,125	\$14,789
Total	0	629	629	\$1,439,442	\$0	\$0	\$1,439,442	\$2,288
1998								
Medical	0	523	523	\$252,216	\$0	\$0	\$252,216	\$482
Indemnity	0	135	135	\$2,679,504	\$0	(\$5,500)	\$2,674,004	\$19,807
Total	0	658	658	\$2,931,720	\$0	(\$5,500)	\$2,926,220	\$4,447
1999								
Medical	0	516	516	\$232,041	\$0	\$0	\$232,041	\$450
Indemnity	0	136	136	\$4,003,984	\$0	(\$390,316)	\$3,613,668	\$26,571
Total	0	652	652	\$4,236,025	\$0	(\$390,316)	\$3,845,709	\$5,898
2000								
Medical	0	522	522	\$280,797	\$0	\$0	\$280,797	\$538
Indemnity	0	142	142	\$3,174,012	\$0	(\$289,081)	\$2,884,930	\$20,316
Total	0	664	664	\$3,454,809	\$0	(\$289,081)	\$3,165,727	\$4,768
2001								
Medical	0	598	598	\$336,588	\$0	(\$1,251)	\$335,337	\$561
Indemnity	0	147	147	\$4,850,944	\$0	(\$761,847)	\$4,089,097	\$27,817
Total	0	745	745	\$5,187,532	\$0	(\$763,098)	\$4,424,434	\$5,939
2002								
Medical	0	722	722	\$414,124	\$0	(\$7,299)	\$406,825	\$563
Indemnity	0	122	122	\$5,295,866	\$0	(\$855,802)	\$4,440,065	\$36,394
Total	0	844	844	\$5,709,990	\$0	(\$863,101)	\$4,846,890	\$5,743
2003								
Medical	0	692	692	\$342,834	\$0	(\$999)	\$341,835	\$494
Indemnity	0	157	157	\$5,408,130	\$0	(\$135,925)	\$5,272,205	\$33,581
Total	0	849	849	\$5,750,964	\$0	(\$136,924)	\$5,614,040	\$6,613
2004								
Medical	0	589	589	\$392,013	\$0	(\$13,786)	\$378,228	\$642
Indemnity	1	176	177	\$4,657,834	\$32,648	(\$28,654)	\$4,661,828	\$26,338
Total	1	765	766	\$5,049,847	\$32,648	(\$42,439)	\$5,040,056	\$6,580
2005								
Medical	0	698	698	\$449,750	\$0	(\$4,897)	\$444,853	\$637
Indemnity	0	164	164	\$5,872,751	\$0	(\$530,034)	\$5,342,717	\$32,578
Total	0	862	862	\$6,322,501	\$0	(\$534,931)	\$5,787,570	\$6,714
2006								
Medical	0	637	637	\$508,747	\$0	(\$10,026)	\$498,721	\$783
Indemnity	1	183	184	\$7,402,644	\$21,280	(\$1,029,319)	\$6,394,604	\$34,753
Total	1	820	821	\$7,911,391	\$21,280	(\$1,039,346)	\$6,893,325	\$8,396
2007								
Medical	0	708	708	\$585,598	\$0	(\$2,842)	\$582,756	\$823
Indemnity	1	170	171	\$7,308,096	\$100,478	(\$272,172)	\$7,136,402	\$41,733
Total	1	878	879	\$7,893,693	\$100,478	(\$275,014)	\$7,719,158	\$8,782
2008								
Medical	0	635	635	\$570,299	\$0	(\$11,028)	\$559,271	\$881
Indemnity	1	152	153	\$7,441,488	\$0	(\$1,431,893)	\$6,009,595	\$39,278
Total	1	787	788	\$8,011,788	\$0	(\$1,442,921)	\$6,568,866	\$8,336
2009								
Medical	1	684	685	\$604,558	\$0	(\$2,263)	\$602,296	\$879
Indemnity	0	192	192	\$11,109,043	\$0	(\$2,679,926)	\$8,429,116	\$43,902
Total	1	876	877	\$11,713,601	\$0	(\$2,682,189)	\$9,031,412	\$10,298



**VSWCF CLAIM SUMMARY BY YEAR
VALUED AS OF 9/30/2022**

	Claims Open	Claims Closed	Claims Total	Total Paid	Outstanding Reserves	Recovery Received	Net Incurred	Average Cost
2010								
Medical	0	676	676	\$713,971	\$0	(\$29,494)	\$684,477	\$1,013
Indemnity	1	192	193	\$12,014,808	\$85,654	(\$2,105,808)	\$9,994,654	\$51,786
Total	1	868	869	\$12,728,779	\$85,654	(\$2,135,301)	\$10,679,131	\$12,289
2011								
Medical	0	633	633	\$585,642	\$0	(\$16,160)	\$569,481	\$900
Indemnity	0	174	174	\$8,530,108	\$0	(\$1,652)	\$8,528,455	\$49,014
Total	0	807	807	\$9,115,750	\$0	(\$17,813)	\$9,097,937	\$11,274
2012								
Medical	0	586	586	\$601,547	\$0	(\$6,134)	\$595,412	\$1,016
Indemnity	1	159	160	\$6,831,269	\$220,273	(\$114,796)	\$6,936,746	\$43,355
Total	1	745	746	\$7,432,816	\$220,273	(\$120,930)	\$7,532,158	\$10,097
2013								
Medical	0	585	585	\$518,951	\$0	(\$11,672)	\$507,279	\$867
Indemnity	0	190	190	\$5,866,632	\$0	(\$13,750)	\$5,852,881	\$30,805
Total	0	775	775	\$6,385,582	\$0	(\$25,422)	\$6,360,160	\$8,207
2014								
Medical	0	477	477	\$441,900	\$0	(\$2,542)	\$439,358	\$921
Indemnity	1	171	172	\$5,673,586	\$9,844	(\$70,000)	\$5,613,430	\$32,636
Total	1	648	649	\$6,115,486	\$9,844	(\$72,542)	\$6,052,788	\$9,326
2015								
Medical	0	512	512	\$333,572	\$0	(\$2,747)	\$330,826	\$646
Indemnity	1	177	178	\$6,837,495	\$289,904	(\$330,969)	\$6,796,430	\$38,182
Total	1	689	690	\$7,171,067	\$289,904	(\$333,716)	\$7,127,256	\$10,329
2016								
Medical	0	518	518	\$387,341	\$0	(\$11,361)	\$375,979	\$726
Indemnity	0	192	192	\$5,096,728	\$0	(\$184,265)	\$4,912,463	\$25,586
Total	0	710	710	\$5,484,069	\$0	(\$195,626)	\$5,288,443	\$7,449
2017								
Medical	0	455	455	\$300,536	\$0	(\$1,162)	\$299,374	\$658
Indemnity	4	161	165	\$8,233,435	\$1,076,030	(\$299,734)	\$9,009,732	\$54,604
Total	4	616	620	\$8,533,971	\$1,076,030	(\$300,896)	\$9,309,106	\$15,015
2018								
Medical	0	429	429	\$307,787	\$0	\$0	\$307,787	\$717
Indemnity	2	229	231	\$4,378,438	\$197,606	(\$188,261)	\$4,387,782	\$18,995
Total	2	658	660	\$4,686,225	\$197,606	(\$188,261)	\$4,695,569	\$7,114
2019								
Medical	0	378	378	\$270,694	\$0	(\$1,796)	\$268,898	\$711
Indemnity	11	240	251	\$6,774,789	\$2,466,201	(\$265,036)	\$8,975,953	\$35,761
Total	11	618	629	\$7,045,483	\$2,466,201	(\$266,833)	\$9,244,851	\$14,698
2020								
Medical	1	326	327	\$211,233	\$2,744	(\$1,378)	\$212,598	\$650
Indemnity	23	226	249	\$3,979,649	\$1,401,985	(\$9,745)	\$5,371,889	\$21,574
Total	24	552	576	\$4,190,882	\$1,404,729	(\$11,123)	\$5,584,487	\$9,695
2021								
Medical	27	268	295	\$167,683	\$59,608	(\$995)	\$226,296	\$767
Indemnity	81	156	237	\$2,276,349	\$2,908,203	(\$400)	\$5,184,152	\$21,874
Total	108	424	532	\$2,444,032	\$2,967,811	(\$1,395)	\$5,410,448	\$10,170
2022								
Medical	49	14	63	\$15,410	\$56,230	\$0	\$71,640	\$1,137
Indemnity	39	7	46	\$96,203	\$521,727	\$0	\$617,930	\$13,433
Total	88	21	109	\$111,613	\$577,957	\$0	\$689,570	\$6,326
Inception to Date								
Medical	78	14,364	14,442	\$10,266,174	\$118,582	(\$139,831)	\$10,244,925	\$709
Indemnity	168	4,319	4,487	\$149,681,243	\$9,331,833	(\$12,122,209)	\$146,890,867	\$32,737
Total	246	18,683	18,929	\$159,947,417	\$9,450,415	(\$12,262,040)	\$157,135,793	\$8,301



**VSWCF CLAIM STATUS REPORTS
OPEN CLAIMS WITH A CHANGE IN INCURRED VALUE
OF \$75,000 OR GREATER SINCE 6/30/2022
VALUED AS OF 9/30/2022**

Claim	Fire Department	Loss Date	Total Incurred	Change in Incurred
4A21110UKC4-0001	PINEY GROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEP	9/20/2021	\$412,155.13	\$412,144.28
NCVS-021126	PENDER EMS & FIRE, INC.	7/28/2021	\$297,814.97	\$266,466.50
4A1603J0V7P-0001	ALLENTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPART	3/17/2022	\$454,426.50	\$158,379.26
4A2206H2DN8-0001	BEAVER DAM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPA	6/15/2022	\$151,483.04	\$151,483.04
NCVS-006630	ETOWAHHORSE SHOE VOL. FIRE	1/21/2018	\$925,378.51	\$98,521.54
NCVS-019936	GOLDSTON RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	1/13/2020	\$136,098.41	\$86,954.61
NCVS-019668	COLINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPAR	8/14/2019	\$66,479.30	(\$79,266.70)
			<u>\$2,443,835.86</u>	<u>\$1,094,682.53</u>

VSWCF CLAIM STATUS REPORTS
✓ NEW CLAIMS SINCE 6/30/2022 WITH AN
INCURRED VALUE OF \$25,000 OR GREATER
VALUED AS OF 9/30/2022

Claim	Fire Department	Loss Date	Total Incurred
4A2207WJ91G-0001	LEBANON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTM	7/26/2022	\$81,505.55
4A2209M1QRM-0001	GASTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTME	9/19/2022	\$73,175.48
4A22074P3MW-0001	SALEM FIRE & RESCUE PROTECTION	4/10/2022	\$68,558.54
4A2208SD8WB-0001	GAMEWELL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPART	7/30/2022	\$67,015.00
4A2209G0QGX-0001	BILLS CREEK V.F.D., INC.	11/9/2020	\$62,456.40
4A2208P8581-0001	WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTM	8/21/2022	\$59,023.52
4A2207SCVVZ-0001	SOUTH FORK VFD OF LINCOLN COUN	1/22/2022	\$53,558.54
4A2207CYPP9-0001	WAKENEW HOPE VFD, INC.	7/11/2022	\$38,654.92
4A22068X812-0001	BUJES CREEK FIRE/RESCUE	4/25/2022	\$34,220.50
4A2208B0P4D-0001	RAFT SWAMP FIRE DEPARTMENT INC	8/11/2022	\$29,983.74
4A2209Q5P1M-0001	REIDSVILLE RESCUE SQUAD	9/22/2022	\$28,204.37
4A2207H1RTF-0001	WEST ROWAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPA	7/16/2022	\$26,334.92
4A2205TD93G-0001	LEWISVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT INC	5/25/2022	\$25,553.76
			\$648,245.24 ✓

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VSWCF CLAIM STATUS REPORTS
OPEN CLAIMS CURRENTLY IN LITIGATION
VALUED AS OF 9/30/2022

Claim	Fire Department	Loss Date	Total Incurred	Litigation Expenses
NCVS-008202	TRAP FIRE DEPARTMENT	03-02-2009	\$3,747,282.25	
NCVS-006630	ETOWAHHORSE SHOE VOL. FIRE	01-21-2018	\$925,378.51	\$3,798.20
4A21110UKC4-0001	PINEY GROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEP	09-20-2021	\$412,155.13	
NCVS-009176	Tar Heel Rural Vol Fire Dept	04-07-2011	\$389,544.48	\$11,512.00
NCVS-020930	NO. 7 TOWNSHIP FIRE & RESCUE	06-10-2021	\$369,359.37	\$9,555.90
NCVS-006452	TRIPLE COMMUNITY FIRE DEPARTME	10-09-2017	\$343,432.36	\$5,081.50
NCVS-021126	PENDER EMS & FIRE, INC.	07-28-2021	\$297,814.97	\$13,425.86
NCVS-020980	HENDERSON COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD	06-30-2021	\$295,226.55	
NCVS-020705	HOPKINS RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT,	01-29-2021	\$288,779.48	
NCVS-020378	NORTHWEST HARNETT VOLUNTEER FI	08-06-2020	\$141,571.75	
NCVS-020682	NEW HOPE VFD OF ORANGE COUNTY,	01-18-2021	\$138,660.48	
NCVS-019936	GOLDSTON RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	01-13-2020	\$136,098.41	
NCVS-021148	COVE CITY FIRE & RESCUE INC	09-23-2021	\$81,112.40	\$4,951.50
4A2205Q7WG1-0001	CHESTERFIELD COMMUNITY FIRE PR	05-21-2022	\$77,523.62	
4A2209G0QGX-0001	BILLS CREEK V.F.D., INC.	11-09-2020	\$62,456.40	
4A22010J5JQ-0001	OTWAY VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE	01-21-2022	\$40,251.12	\$1,126.90
4A2208B0P4D-0001	RAFT SWAMP FIRE DEPARTMENT INC	08-11-2022	\$29,983.74	
4A2202VT7MG-0001	TRAMWAY RURAL FIRE DEPT., INC.	02-26-2022	\$23,712.06	
NCVS-021180	POLKTON FIRE DEPARTMENT	07-27-2021	\$18,974.94	
4A22080NN77-0001	SWANNANOVA VOL. FIRE DEPT. AND	12-15-2021	\$11,509.70	\$465.50
4A21120DQMV-0001	SWANNANOVA VOL. FIRE DEPT. AND	12-14-2021	\$8,284.95	\$262.00
			✓ \$7,839,112.67	\$50,179.36

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Fraud

✓ There are currently no suspected or reported cases of fraud on open claims.

NC Association of Rescue & EMS
Fire & Rescue Commission Report
01/10/2023

- Scholarship on-line Application System opened January 01, and will close March 31.
- Just a reminder our on-line roster certification is available for departments to certify their roster and submit them for annual membership dues. We ask departments complete this by January 15.
- Directors Meetings for 2023, 01-21 Brevard NC

If we can be of assistance please feel free to contact us.

Joel Faircloth
Executive Director

North Carolina Association of Fire Chiefs (NCAFC)
Quarterly Report – January 2023

- Recognize any NCAFC Past Presidents and/or Board Members in attendance.
- The NCAFC annual Planning retreat was held in early November in Hickory, NC. The NCAFC Board reviewed the annual work plan, adopted a few new initiatives, and completed more work on their policy manual.
- The NC Association of Fire Chiefs participated in a joint meeting with the North Carolina State Firefighters Association in early December to review the initiatives of each organization.
- The annual NCAFC mid-winter conference will be in Concord, NC January 30 – February 3, 2023. The trade/vendor exhibition is sold out and we look forward to a great educational program and our keynote speakers will be in our morning sessions on Wednesday and Thursday. The banquet on Friday evening will recognize the Fire Chiefs and Fire Officers of the Year.
- NCAFC will co-host the annual Fire Prevention School. The school will be back in Carolina Beach March 20 – 24, 2023. School and hotel reservations are now open.
- The NCAFC along with New Hanover County Fire Rescue and Wilmington Fire Department will co-host the Southeastern Association of Fire Chiefs Conference in Wilmington, June of 2023. Registration for the event will be opening soon – for additional information contact Chief Donnie Hall at New Hanover County F/R.
- NCAFC has been awarded another Recruitment and Retention grant to assist North Carolina Volunteer Fire Departments with their initiatives on recruiting and retaining members.



North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Emergency Management

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January 10, 2023

MEMORANDUM

TO: North Carolina Fire and Rescue Commission

FROM: Scott Zander, Emergency Services Branch Manager *AJZ*
North Carolina Emergency Management

SUBJECT: Fire and Rescue Commission updates from NCEM

The Search and Rescue Administrative Rules

- A public comment period was held and concluded on October 14th, 2022. No comments were received
- A public hearing was held virtually on September 20, 2022. There were no participants from the public.
- The proposed rules have been submitted to the NC Rules Review Commission and are scheduled for action at the Commission's January 19th meeting.
- If approved and adopted, the rules will have an effective date of February 1, 2023.
- RRT rules under development

State Appropriated Search and Rescue Funding

- Swiftwater Rescue Equipment Funding
 - Each Swiftwater Rescue Team was given the opportunity to pick equipment items from a list developed by NCEM Emergency Services Branch Staff. The list had several categories including
 - Communications
 - Logistics
 - Personal Protective Equipment
 - Other equipment
 - Each team was allotted up to \$15,000.
 - Quotes for the equipment are currently being obtained by NCEM staff.

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State Appropriated Search and Rescue Funding Continued

- Urban Search and Rescue Equipment Funding
 - Equipment purchasing continues for the USAR Task Forces including prime movers and Base of Operations enhancements and replacements

- Training
 - Urban Search and Rescue
 - The NCEM annual Structural Collapse Rescue Technician training was held at the Charlotte Fire Department Training Academy December 5th-14th, 2022. Seventy-nine students from the seven Urban Search and Rescue Task Forces attended.
 - Swiftwater Rescue
 - Three Advanced Swiftwater / Flood Rescue Boat Operator (ASFRBO) courses are scheduled for delivery in January, February and March.
 - Three Swiftwater / Flood Rescue Boat Operator (SFRBO) courses are scheduled to be delivered March, April, and May.
 - Mountain Rescue
 - Two Mountain Search and Rescue Awareness classes are scheduled for January
 - Two Mountain Search and Rescue Operations classes are scheduled for February
 - One Mountain Search and Rescue Technician class is scheduled for March
 - Wilderness Search and Rescue
 - A wilderness Law Enforcement Operations course is being held in January
 - NCEM is supporting the Swamp Stomp SAR exercise in Pender County, January 20-22
 - The State SAR exercise will be held in Pamlico county in April
 - North Carolina Helo-Aquatic Rescue Technician
 - NC-HART training continues monthly

Personnel Changes

- Todd Brown was promoted to Assist Director for Operations / Operations Section Chief
- Brian Barnes was promoted to Deputy Operations Chief
- Scott Zander was hired as the Emergency Services Branch Manager in June 2022
 - Scott retired as a Battalion Chief from the Charlotte Fire Department in 2015
- JR Griffin was hired as the Hazardous Materials Regional Response Team Coordinator
 - JR was previously a member of RRT-1

NC Fire & Rescue Commission Board Meeting

January 10, 2023

NCOEMS Report

NCOEMS has changed our website from www.ncems.org to www.oems.nc.gov. We are working to provide more information, better access, and more user friendly.

The NC EMS Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14th.

The annual EMS EXPO is scheduled for April 28-May 3, 2023 in Greensboro at the Koury Convention Center.

The NC Association of EMS Administrators Conference is scheduled for March 9-10 with preconference classes beginning on March 6-8. The conference is at the Hotel Ballest in Wilmington.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wally Ainsworth

Central Regional Manager