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CCVESA Workgroup Updates on Future Fire Service Structure

Westminster, MD, Thursday, February 7, 2019 – Today, the workgroup of the Carroll County Volunteer Emergency Services Association (CCVESA), charged with crafting a recommended path for the transition to a countywide combination fire service system, presented an update to the Board of County Commissioners. Workgroup Chairperson Tom Coe, Chief of the New Windsor Volunteer Fire & Hose Co. #1, made the presentation to the commissioners.

The workgroup, consisting of CCVESA representatives supported by county staff, worked for two years to look at the future organization of fire, rescue, and emergency medical services in Carroll County to address current issues while maintaining and growing the volunteer system.

Today's presentation included an overview of three fundamental documents designed to ensure the future success of the county's emergency services and discussed possible future steps for the implementation of an efficient combination emergency services system. The three draft documents include an addition to the County Code, as well as the Charter and Bylaws of the Emergency Services Advisory Council (ESAC).

The commissioners will now review and evaluate the information presented and bring the group back for further discussion at a future date.

The <u>slide presentation</u> is available on the county website, and the open session will be available for viewing on the <u>county meeting portal</u>, <u>YouTube channel</u>, and the <u>county Facebook page</u>. In addition, all meetings will be replayed on Comcast Channel 24.

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