

APRIL 18, 2015

Director Randy Fox

Division of Fire Prevention

Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Commission

500 James Robertson Parkway

Nashville TN, 37243-0579

Dear Mr. Fox,

It has come to the attention of the members and staff of Bradley County Fire Rescue that Chief Troy Maney has been involved with and had knowledge of falsifying the certification process, defrauding the state of Tennessee and the citizens of Bradley County.

On April the 7th 2015, Chief Maney was supposed to have taken a test in LaVergene Tennessee for his fire Instructor 1. It was not physically possible for this to happen due to the fact that he was the fill in battalion chief that day and in Bradley County Sheriff's department in-service with approximately 45 other deputies. The only person from Bradley County Fire Rescue in LaVergene Tennessee that day, by his own admission to the administrative assistant Paula Garner, was battalion commander Ronnie Goss. He claimed he was there for a peer review meeting. To obtain documentation of Chief Maney's attendance of in-service please contact law enforcement post certification for the state of Tennessee, for we are unable to obtain the documentation because of political pressure, but have been advised his name was on the roster for the in-service.

Members of Bradley County Fire Rescue assisted Polk County with practical evaluations on the date of Chief Maney's alleged FF 1 and FF 2 practical, and did not witness Chief Maney in attendance.

None of the members of the current training staff at Bradley County Fire Rescue have signed off or witnessed Chief Maney completing any practical testing for any of the certifications he has tested for and obtained. None of the members that have a 1403 live burn certification have conducted a live burn scenario for Chief Maney, nor has Chief Maney attended any written testing sessions listed in his training history report for the Tennessee public safety academy. If indeed any current training staff signatures appear on the documents (not including Ronnie Goss), this would mean it is a forgery.

It should be clear that we would believe the person who submitted the check offs and practical verification is an accessory to this situation. Ronnie Goss is a close friend of Terry Priest, and has received favors from Terry. We have no concrete proof that he is involved other than the fact that he was seen by others at some of the tests given by Terry Priest in which Troy Maney was too have tested, and that he did acknowledge that he did travel to LaVergne Tennessee on the morning of April 7th. On this same day, Troy

Maney was not in LaVergne Tennessee, but was in Bradley County in plain view of fire department staff and sheriff's department staff who were training at Bradley County Fire Rescue headquarters.

We would like to request a copy of all paper work and practical's submitted for Troy L. Maney Fire Chief of Bradley County be sent to the following email: myronhawkins0266@yahoo.com. This will be imperative to insure all personnel involved will be held accountable to the government of Bradley County.

This is a very sensitive matter for the staff who have been advised of the wrongful attaining of state certifications. Bradley County Mayor Gary Davis has been advised of the wrongdoings and is waiting to be contacted by your office as to any action to be taken by the Commission. We are putting ourselves in a very difficult position as relating to our employment under the current administration, but feel the credibility of all commission certifications will be scrutinized if this type of cheating is not reported to the Commission. We will be willing to help in any way to assure the system is not allowed to be abused. Any updates on this matter can be emailed to myronhawkins0266@yahoo.com or contact:

Myron Hawkins Battalion Commander Bradley County Fire Rescue (423) 310-8859

Donald Tankersley Battalion Commander Bradley County Fire Rescue (423) 242-8875

Jeff Stewart Training Captain Bradley County Fire Rescue (423) 716-3451

Thank you for your time and swift response,

Myron Hawkins