

WASHTENAW AREA MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION



WAMAA Minutes

Tuesday, March 2, 2021

9:00AM

Ann Arbor - Kennedy
Ann Arbor Twp - Nicholai
Augusta Twp – Music
Belleville – Loranger
Chelsea – Arbin
Clinton – N/A
Dexter Area – Smith
Green Oak Twp – Gentry

Hamburg Twp – Miller
Manchester Twp – N/A
Milan Area – N/A
Northfield Twp – Wagner
Pittsfield Twp – Chevrette, Gleason, Girbach
Putnam Twp – Ruf
Salem Twp – Rachwal
Saline Area – N/A

Scio Twp – Houde
South Lyon – N/A
Sumpter Twp – Januszyk, Luke
Superior Twp – N/A
Van Buren Twp – McNally
Ypsilanti – Hobbs
Ypsilanti Twp – N/A

Associates: HART (Armstrong, Simpson), Med Control (Henderson), Emergent Health (Kasten, VanDaele), Washtenaw County (Swenson), Belfor (Hughes)

1. Meeting Called to Order – President Rachwal called today’s meeting to order at 9:00AM
2. Correspondence / Public Comment
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Treasurer Report – Kennedy provided a brief report.
 - a. Chase Bank account balances, as reconciled against February 2021 bank statement:
Checking \$63,647.89
Savings \$20,932.64
 - b. Kennedy provided some details as to the monthly process
 - c. Outstanding Invoices as of February 24, 2021 (\$1,000 Total):
Clinton Fire Dept \$1,000 (Per Chief Keezer, the check being processed. Should be mailed out right away)
5. Training Report – Nicholai reported on the following. His report was also distributed prior to today’s meeting.:
 - a. Still working with Jackson towards a behavioral health program
 - b. Today’s report was distributed via email to members
 - c. Fire Academy start date is now April 5th (completing sometime in July)
 - d. Instructor 1 class update.
6. HazMat Report – Russ Girbach reported on the following:
 - a. Round robin style training last month
 - b. Drone team approved / validated
 - c. Moving towards the hazmat team being validated
7. TRT Report – Mike Chevrette reported:
 - a. No incidents to report
 - b. Today’s report was distributed via email to members.
 - c. This month’s training will be held March 10th in Ypsilanti Twp.
 - d. Swiftwater Rescue are starting their training tomorrow.
 - e. New equipment received
 - f. Approved by MABAS for validation. Moving towards validation process.
8. MABAS Report – Rachwal reported on the following:

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- a. Very active with the teams
 - b. Brush strike team requirements. There are three teams interested, but we need at least two more teams.
 - c. MABAS is updating the mission response packages (MRPs).
9. Dispatch Report – Kristin reported that the ProQA project is still in “TBD” status, as it’s still being tested. Working through CAD interface testing. VanDaele had nothing more to add at this time.
10. Washtenaw County 800 MHz Consortium Report – Craig Swenson reported:
- a. Project oversight committee has approved funding for us to support any agency that needs help, to ensure the system is maintained & up to date. Eric youngblood will work with anyone needing programming, firmware, etc. We will evaluate this at the end of the year.
 - b. Consortium board approved the waiver of FY21 user fees, though you must pay your FY20 fees.
 - c. Rachwal mentioned they are waiting for a fix before the upgrade occurs.
11. Medical Control Report – Henderson provided an update on his current progress, and issues that he’s been dealing with. Protocol change regarding cancellation of calls.
12. Officers Committee Report – Nicholai provided a brief report.
13. HART Report – Roger Simpson reported on the following:
- a. Four callouts this past month
 - b. Bank of batteries available in their truck, in the event a battery goes bad during a call.
 - c. Gluten free options are now available.
 - d. The County approved HART as a first response, so they were able to get COVID vaccinations to their staff.
14. Old Business
- a. Agreements need to be signed, to be stored in Dropbox. Please get these before your boards for their approval.
15. New Business
- a. Henderson – CyanoKits distribution for the trauma regions in in the works. More to come.
 - b. Rachwal – Update on the 2020 grants, as Wiggins has submitted. We should start preparing for 2021 grants.
 - c. Hughes with Belfor Property Restoration has secured Escanaba Twp as the new destination for used equipment. Hughes will distribute a Wish List in the near future.
16. Good of the Order
17. Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 9:00AM via Zoom
18. Adjournment – 9:39AM.