

WAMAA Minutes

Tuesday, September 6, 2022

Hosted by Ann Arbor Fire Dept

Cobblestone Farm

Ann Arbor - Kennedy Ann Arbor Twp – Absent Augusta Twp – Witt Belleville – Loranger Chelsea – Arbini Clinton – N/A Dexter Area – Armstrong Green Oak Twp – N/A Hamburg Twp – N/A Manchester Twp – Kouba Milan Area – N/A Northfield Twp – Wagner, Bishop Pittsfield Twp – M. Chevrette, Gleason, Girbach Putnam Twp – N/A Salem Twp – Rachwal Saline Area – Sperle Scio Twp – Houde South Lyon – Thorington Sumpter Twp – Brown Superior Twp – V. Chevrette Van Buren Twp – McInally, Lenaghan Ypsilanti – Hobbs Ypsilanti Twp – Copeland

Associates: HART (Simpson), Med Control (Henderson), HVA (Rock), Belfor (Hughes), Washtenaw County (Swenson)

- 1. Meeting Called to Order President Rachwal called today's meeting to order at 9:01AM. Pledge of Allegiance followed.
- 2. Correspondence / Public Comment V. Chevrette reported:
 - a. Pipeline group is doing their virtual training.
 - b. MFIS conference will be held in Mt. Pleasant at the end of this month.
- 3. Adoption of Agenda Motion by McInally, second by Loranger. Motion carried.
- 4. Treasurer Report Kennedy reported:
 - a. Chase Bank account balances, as reconciled against Aug 2022 bank statement: Checking \$6,601.61 Savings \$33,957.03
 - b. Membership Invoices will be emailed to each community on November 15th
 - c. Awaiting reimbursement from the State for recent trainings. Will follow up with Nicholai to ensure process.
 - d. Explained some recent expenses: purchased D4H, attorney fees Motion by V. Chevrette, second by Arbini. Motion caried unanimously. Report accepted and filed.
- 5. Training Report Rachwal provided report, as Nicholai was unable to attend today's meeting:
 - a. Charleston 9 presentation feedback.
 - b. Awaiting some reimbursements, as mentioned by Kennedy earlier.
 - c. Reviewed upcoming classes.
- 6. HazMat Report Girbach reported:
 - a. Zero calls for hazmat, and a couple for Drone.
 - b. Training classes and feedback.
 - c. Football games have started. Encourage your members to stay active.
 - d. This month's training in Manchester.
- 7. TRT Report M. Chevrette sent report electronically, and highlighted the following:
 - a. Zero calls last month.
 - b. 2-day heavy truck class held back in June in Brighton.

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- c. Tower Rescue Validated thru MABAS.
- d. No training in July.
- e. Provided details from the Aug class.
- f. This month's training being held in Northfield Twp.
- 8. MABAS Report Rachwal reported
 - a. Listed anticipated exercises in cooperation with RED Center.
 - b. Work group looking at running exercise Sat, Oct 1st Fire Disaster Task Force. More details to come.
- 9. Dispatch Report (HVA) Rock reported that HVA is hosting an EMT academy program (Mon thru Fri) running approx. 12 weeks, hoping to supplement staffing.
- 10. Washtenaw County 800 MHz Consortium Report Swenson reported on the following:
 - a. P/T employees are on-board.
 - b. Efforts include change templates, updating firmware, inventory, battery inspection.
 - c. Think about how you communicate with your neighbors who are outside the county. Discussion followed re: Oakland County's strategy. Swenson is concerned about communication issues surrounding Willow Run incidents. Rachwal asked if we could look at recent storms and the issues related with communications. After much discussion, Swenson agreed to look at this further (as it sounds like a technology issue) and figure out solution. More to come.
 - d. In the process of moving the circuit that we pay for to Milan Police Dept, swinging that line to HVA. He explained the PFN installation process, allows for second path for connectivity.
 - e. Rachwal mentioned recent car wreck on M-14 & Courtesy Patrol issue. Moving forward with meeting with them to coordinate efforts.
- 11. Medical Control Report Henderson reported:
 - a. No meetings were held in July & Aug.
 - b. Chelsea has submitted application for Basic Transport Service, application to be reviewed.
 - c. ALS to BLS transfer of care, and protocol.
 - d. EKG protocol to be voted on. Henderson highlighted some of the changes.
 - e. Refusal protocol changes anticipated.
 - f. Process for maintaining personnel lists has been changed.
 - g. Narcan & Right to Refuse treatment discussion followed on possible litigation.
 - h. MCA now holds CLIA waiver Henderson is lab director.
 - Lift Assist Requests by Pts Copeland mentioned recent requests for lift assists thru Ypsi Twp FD. Much discussion followed on this issue. Henderson offered insight and will work with Copeland to review past incident(s) and related processes.
- 12. Officers Committee Report (Nicholai) N/A
- 13. HART Report Simpson reported:
 - a. One callout July, and three in Aug.
 - b. Looking for volunteers.
 - c. FBI detail in Knollwood cemetery in August, Sept United Memorial cemetery.

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d. Considering adding soda products to the refreshments list. Simpson asked for feedback.

- 14. Old Business
 - a. Grant Activity Update V. Chevrette reported:
 - i. PPE grant has been approved, and equipment has come in. This is regional grant. If you're part of this grant, please come pickup your stuff at Superior Twp FD.
 - ii. Under audit for two regional FEMA grants. Requirements for the following: purchasing policy, equipment retention policy & inventory policy. Chevrette provided details of the process.
 - b. WAMAA Charter Update Rachwal provided further insight of the current status of attorney.
- 15. New Business N/A
- 16. Good of the Order
 - a. Wagner mentioned the Washtenaw 100 Club Dinner is Oct 20th. FF of the Year nominations still being accepted.
 - b. Rachwal presented Chief Wagner with a plaque to recognize his retirement, and his commitment to this organization
 - c. Hughes mentioned that Belfor is hosting 9-11 remembrance ceremony at Tiger Stadium on Tues, Sept 13th. Invitations have been sent out. If you need tickets, please reach out to Denny Hughes.
 - d. Hughes Oct 5th Belfor's gear donation heading up to Northern Michigan.
 - e. V. Chevrette Provided details of the recent fires in Mobile Home park. Thank you to all the departments who helped out during these fires.

17. Next Meeting – Oct 4th - hosted by Van Buren Twp

Future 2022 Meeting Schedule / Locations: Oct 4 – Van Buren Twp Nov 1 – Scio Twp Dec 6 – Salem Twp

18. Adjournment – 10:11AM.