

# WASHTENAW AREA MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION



## WAMAA Membership Meeting - Minutes Tuesday, May 2, 2023 - 9:00AM Hosted by Sumpter Twp Fire Dept

Ann Arbor - Kennedy  
Ann Arbor Twp – Nicholai  
Augusta Twp – Music, Witt  
Belleville – Loranger  
Chelsea – N/A  
Clinton – N/A  
Dexter Area – Armstrong  
Green Oak Twp – N/A

Hamburg Twp – N/A  
Manchester Twp – N/A  
Milan Area – N/A  
Northfield Twp – N/A  
Pittsfield Twp – Girbach  
Putnam Twp – N/A  
Salem Twp – Rachwal  
Saline Area – Sperle

Scio Twp – Houde  
South Lyon – N/A  
Sumpter Twp – Werdon, Brown  
Superior Twp – V. Chevrette  
Van Buren Twp – McInally  
Ypsilanti – Hobbs  
Ypsilanti Twp – Copeland

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

1. Meeting Called to Order – Rachwal called today's meeting to order at 9:03AM.
2. Correspondence / Public Comment:
  - a. MDOT presentation in Novi on the new MDOT service vehicles procedures. Flyer sent.
3. Adoption of Agenda – approved unanimously
4. Treasurer Report - Houde reported:
  - a. Chase Bank account balances, as of April 30, 2023:  
Checking \$14,618.54  
Savings \$33,599.19  
Rachwal called for a motion to approve today's finance report. Motion by V. Chevrette, support by McInally.  
Motion carried.
  - b. Proposed budget – Docs distributed prior to today's meeting. Houde provided details and explained the thought processes that went into the proposed fee schedule. Much discussion followed. Copeland offered suggestions, and agreed to work with Houde to work through some issues. Kennedy reminded everyone that we need to come to an agreement soon.
5. Training Report (Nicholai) - report was sent electronically prior to today's meeting, for reference. Nicholai highlighted the upcoming trainings & schedule. County training surveys must be submitted to Nicholai by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Flyers were distributed. McInally mentioned railroad Norfolk Southern training class coming in August, and Rachwal provided details of the anticipated curriculum / HOT.
6. HazMat Report (Girbach) – report was sent electronically for reference. Girbach reported on last week's drone activation. Physicals are still required. August training will be held in the afternoon, being held at the above-mentioned rail training. Golf outing will be held Sept 25<sup>th</sup>. Flyer to be sent out soon. Rachwal mentioned the recent drone call-out, and HVA's requirement for fire dept "after hours" contact. Rachwal mentioned that the goal of the railcar training is to build interoperability between teams. Several verbal commitments from organizations during the Aug railcar training.
7. TRT Report (Chevrette)- M. Chevrette send his report electronically. Rachwal briefly reviewed.
8. MABAS Report - Rachwal reported on the following:
  - a. Updating box card info. Please provide your info to Rachwal, or update yourself ASAP.
  - b. MSU active shooter incident - Hotwash was provided during the Expo in Novi. More lessons-learned anticipated.

9. Dispatch Report (HVA) – Becky said that she plans on meeting with everyone soon to discuss any outstanding issues. Becky’s cell - 313.910.8611. Rachwal requested an updated org chart. Chevrette asked about fixing the storage space issue in the tablets, as it is running very low.
10. Washtenaw County 800 MHz Consortium Report – Swenson reported:
  - a. May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting with Everbridge. More to come.
  - b. Readjusted schedule for preventative maintenance.
  - c. Templates from Oakland County
11. Medical Control Report - Henderson reported:
  - a. Professional Standards for Review – slight changes here at the MCA.
  - b. 811 – response utilization affecting transport services.
  - c. Washtenaw/Livingston involved in study re: pediatric seizures.
  - d. QI reports – clarification of emails being sent to the chief of dept
  - e. Masking requirements – info was distributed. May 11<sup>th</sup> all state COVID protocols retire. Dr. Domeier to retire end of 2024.
    - i. COVID 19 emergency protocols retire May 11, 2023.
    - ii. Hospitals may have varying requirements for masking. Your personnel should, at a minimum, follow the requirements for that facility and the requirements established by your agency.
    - iii. PPE selection considerations should weigh protection of the provider and the patient, esp. when dealing with respiratory emergencies or immunocompromised patients. For these types of patients, masking for both the patient and provider should be considered standard.
12. Officers Committee Report (Nicholai) – report was sent electronically for reference. He reviewed some of the bullet points. Next meeting is May 16<sup>th</sup>.
13. HART Report - Simpson provided the following report:
  - a. April had four callouts
  - b. Let them know of any training exercises you have planned
  - c. Still need volunteers
14. DNR – N/A
15. Old Business -
  - a. Grant Activity Update (Wiggins) – Nothing to report, as AFG’s have been read. Now they’re moving on to SAFER.
  - b. WAMAA Charter Update - Rachwal asked Kennedy to provide an update. Kennedy requested that everyone’s legal counsel needs to provide insight directly to Stephanie.
16. New Business / Good of the Order –
  - a. FDIC – Rachwal mentioned some unique items, such as a drone with ventilation holes. Also mentioned Active 911 app now has a black box. Swenson had comments.
  - b. Belfor update – Denny Hughes provided an update & franchise info, as they purchased 1-800BoardUp. Marketing changes are coming. Any questions, please reach out to Denny.
  - c. DTE – Kennedy updated - they are open to coordination/triage during storms. Updating comms.
17. Next Meeting – June 6<sup>th</sup> hosted by Ypsilanti (Firehouse Museum)  
Future 2023 Meeting Schedule / Locations  
Sept 5 Ann Arbor  
Oct 3 Pittsfield Twp  
Nov 7 Ypsilanti Twp  
Dec 5 Salem Twp
18. Adjournment – 10:20AM