WAMAA Membership Meeting - Minutes

Tuesday, April 2, 2024 - 9:00AM

Hosted by Sumpter Twp Fire Dept

Ann Arbor – N/A

Ann Arbor Twp – Nicholai

Augusta Twp – Music, Witt

Belleville – Loranger

Chelsea – Arbini

Clinton –N/A

Dexter Area – Armstrong

Green Oak Twp – N/A

Hamburg Twp – N/A

Manchester Twp – N/A

Milan Area – Stevens

Northfield Twp – N/A

Pittsfield Twp – Heavener, M. Chevrette, Girbach

Putnam Twp – N/A

Salem Twp – Rachwal

Saline Area – Sperle

Scio Twp – Houde

Sumpter Twp – Brown

Superior Twp – V. Chevrette

Van Buren Twp – McInally

Ypsilanti – Hobbs

Ypsilanti Twp – Densmore

Associates: HART (Simpson), HVA (Torres), Washtenaw County 800MHz (Swenson)

1. Meeting Called to Order – President Rachwal called today’s meeting to order at 9:05AM. Pledge of Allegiance followed.
2. Correspondence / Public Comment
   1. US Fire Services / Waterway Twin Tier – Tom Costello gave a brief presentation re: ladder & pump testing services
3. Adoption of Agenda – unanimous approval
4. Treasurer Report – Houde reported
   1. Chase Bank account balances, as of March 29, 2024:

Checking $35,722.15

Savings $22,801.23

Motion to approve today’s finance report by Rachwal

Support by V. Chevrette.

Carried.

1. Medical Control Report (Henderson) – Arbini summarized report
2. Training Report (Nicholai) – sent the report prior to today’s meeting electronically for reference. Training committee approved for Chief Nicholai to serve as County Training Coordinator.
3. HazMat Report (Girbach) – report sent electronically for reference
4. TRT Report (Chevrette)- report sent electronically for reference
5. MABAS Report - Rachwal provided brief report.
6. Dispatch Report (HVA) – Becky Torres advised that there will be an “after action” report for the Emmett St. Fire in Ypsilanti. This is standard review process for 3rd alarm fires.
7. Washtenaw County 800 MHz Consortium Report – Swenson advised that the County Board of Commissioners voted and approved to put the 911 Initiative on the ballot.
8. Officers Committee Report (Nicholai) – report was sent electronically for reference
9. HART Report – Simpson provided brief report, as there were three callouts and one training response.
10. Old Business -
    1. Grant Activity Update (Wiggins) – N/A
    2. WAMAA Charter Update (Rachwal/Kennedy) – still a few departments who need to submit their signed agreement (6 signature pages).
11. New Business –
    1. WAMAA to support the POC millage - Rachwal Motion request – letter for review was emailed prior to today’s meeting. Discussion followed. Motion by Rachwal, seconded by Music to proceed with the letter. Motion carried.
    2. Ad Hoc Committee on Blue Card - Rachwal Motion request – email with details was distributed for review prior to today’s meeting. Discussion followed. Motion to form the committee was made by Rachwal, seconded by Nicholai. Carried.

Note: Chief Nicholai will chair this committee, anyone interested to joining the committee should contact Nicholai.

* 1. Approval of the WCSO to WAMAA contract for funding – Rachwal provided details. Motion by Rachwal, second by V. Chevrette. Discussion. Carried.

1. Good of the Order –
   1. Pittsfield Twp FD is hosting a NIMS 300 Class.
   2. Letter of Support to Debbie Dingell’s office for Pittsfield Twp FD for matching Federal Funds for their new fire station. Motion made by Rachwal, second by Heavener. Motion carried.
2. Next Meeting – May 7 – Hosted by Pittsfield (held at Belfor’s office building)

Remaining 2024 Meeting Schedule (9:00AM)

Jun 4 – Ann Arbor Twp

*No meetings July /Aug*

Sep 3 – Ann Arbor / Cobblestone Farm

Oct 1 – Ypsilanti Twp

Nov 5 – Superior Twp

Dec 3 – Salem Twp

1. Adjournment – 9:48AM.