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Fire Chiefs' Meeting Minutes

Date: February 17, 2016

Location: Boy Scouts of America, Evendale

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 0900 HOURS; CHIEF LEININGER PRESIDING

Pledge/Invocation: Chief Leininger

Roll-Call of Officers

President Chief Leininger - Present
Vice President Kevin Hardwick - Absent
Treasurer Chief Hauck - Present
Secretary Kerry Meyer - Present
Chief Ober - Present
Chief Campbell - present
Chief Owens - Present
Chief Jones - Present
Chief Braun – Absent

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

The following were recognized:

- Western & Southern Life – William Stoffregen spoke about the flyer that was distributed, which had to do with firefighter's cancer rates and also the flyer about critical illness insurance.
- 1-859 and 1-800 Board up – both present
- Wells Fargo – Pete Bohrofen stated there has been no progress on the Social Security Windfall legislation. Also spoke about the File and Suspend option for Social Security.
- Camp Safety - Present

NEW CHIEFS – Welcome to new Milford Chief Mark Baird

GUEST SPEAKERS –

Dr. Elizabeth Dale, UC Health burn physician, spoke about UCMC burn referral criteria. Dr. Dale is the new director of the UC Burn Unit. UC had stopped accepting large area burns (over 20%), but is now accepting burns that cover up to 50% of the body. Hopefully by May 1st they will be accepting up to 100%. After a 5-year break, UC and Shriners will begin working together again. There was also a discussion about hyperbaric chambers in the area.

Lisa Herzog, American Red Cross, spoke about when to call for the Red Cross (see attachment). Also spoke about their Smoke Detector Mega Blitz on May 7th.

REGIONAL COLLABORATION

CFD – Chief Braun - No report

PHCV – Lt. Tom Wolf - No report

EMS COORDINATORS – May 23rd there will be a free continuing education opportunity at Anderson Township. 6.5 CEU will be earned.

Duke Energy – Susan Browning - No report

PHCOG - Chief Owens - If anyone needs help with their drug licenses contact Chief Owens.

HCCC – AC Scott Souders- The proposed utility tax to help cover dispatch fees has been rejected by the Commissioners, but it is expected that they will still reduce fees for the short term. The new CAD system is expected to go live on March 1st. In order for MVCs to work with the new CAD system, you must install updated software that will be provided by the County. MVCs with the old software will not work with the new CAD, however the new software cannot be installed until after the new CAD system is up and running. Scott also asked that when the new CAD system goes live, do not call HCCC with small issues, but they do want to be made aware of minor issues.

GC Hazmat – Brook Matzen, Chief Ober- No report

Homeland Security/EMA - Nick Crossley- Everyone should have received an email with a link to the emergency operations plan. Nick will be sending out a survey about what chiefs would like to see done with education and other topics. There are 3 exercises planned for this year, 2 tabletops and a mass casualty. Nick will go over the emergency operations plan at the next meeting.

LEPC – Richard Jones – The new CAMEO disc should be available May, or June at the latest.

OFC/UASI/SOSINK/OFC – Chief Wright – No report

Southwest Ohio Fire Chiefs – AC Rupp – No report

Hamilton County Sheriff – Jim Knapp – March 1st meeting about the heroine task force (flyer sent earlier in the week. \$70,000 was raised at last year's guns and hoses event, which will be split between police and fire charities.

OFFICER REPORTS

President's Report - Chief Leininger

Yielded the floor to Steve Siereveld who spoke about the Greater Cincinnati Fire Museum Chili Fest which will be held September 10th.

- Pointed out the handout dealing with 2016 HCFCA goals
- Pointed out the handout dealing with 2015 HCFCA accomplishments

Vice President's Report – Chief Hardwick

No report

Treasurer's Report – Chief Hauck

- Financial report submitted and accepted.
- Dues invoices will go by the end of February.
- Spoke about Local Govt. grant (see attached)

Secretary's Report – Chief Meyer

- Last call to send updated contact information to Chief Meyer.
- Minutes from January meeting approved.
- Anyone presenting to the Association is asked to give notes to Chief Meyer to make the job of preparing the minutes easier.

COMMITTEES/TASK FORCE AND TEAM REPORTS

USAR – DC Lakamp

8 new applicants currently being vetted. USAR has instituted a new truck check policy. Received \$6,250 from Ohio EMA. Need a new home for Rescue 200.

HCFIU – Chief Owens

There 33 call outs in 2015. Chief Owens suggested calling early in the incident, giving the team time to mobilize.

COMMAND 400 – Chief Hardwick

Where are we going to place it? 2 options were seriously considered. Chief Ober presented the issues considered and the entire association discussed the issue. A motion was made and passed unanimously to give the HCFCA Board authority to enter into an agreement with Greater Cincinnati Hazmat if and when the Board thinks it is appropriate.

Thanks to Host: Evendale Fire Department

Meeting adjourned at 10:35

Next Meeting: March 16, 2016 at Boy Scouts of America, Reading Road, Evendale, 0900

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief Kerry Meyer, *Secretary*