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Fire Chiefs' Meeting Minutes

Date: May 20, 2015

Location: Boy Scouts of America - Evendale

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 09:00 HOURS; CHIEF LEININGER PRESIDING.

Pledge/Invocation by: Chief Leininger

Roll-Call of Officers

President Chief Leininger - Present
Vice President Mark Ober - Present
Treasurer Chief Hauck - Present
Secretary Chief Ramsey - Present
Chief Hardwick - Present
Chief Campbell - Absent
Chief Owens - Absent
Chief Jones - Present
Chief Braun – Present

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

- Those present were recognized.
- Pete Bohrofen with Wells Fargo asked if the HCFCA would write a support letter of HR711 Equal Treatment of Public Servants Act which would replace the windfall elimination – he forwarded a sample letter to Secretary Ramsey.
- Western & Southern Life – William Stoffregen handed out information regarding the Veterans Job Fair – see attachment
- 859 Board up – provided Reds Tickets for a drawing.
- 800 Board up – present.
- UC – Mr. Bennett provided an update on the progress of the Community

Paramedic program as part of the budget bill. There will be a seminar Aug 21. See attachment

- Medicount Management – update on SafetyPad (there are some Admin issues with SafetyPad - they are being bought out) may be a delay if departments are looking at subscribing with SafetyPad.
- TriHealth – nothing to report

PRESENTATIONS – none

REGIONAL COLLABORATION

CFD – Chief Braun

- 1700 applicants present for their entrance exam
- 3500 children at the Kids Safety Fair

PHCV – Tom Wolf

- No report

Duke Energy – Susan Browning

- See attachment

HCCC – Jason Dunn

- absent

GC Hazmat – Brook Matzen, Chief Ober

- During budget discussions discussed replacing Foam 300 and foam that has expired
- Looking at grants and other funding – will discuss at June meeting along with changes and training updates

Homeland Security/EMA - New director – Nick Crossley

- Met with new State EMA Director – informed her regarding sustainment and grants
- Will advise us about the grant workshop – when that will be available – a must for all to attend or send your grant writer.
- He has restructured his staff and will add a Planning Specialist to work with Hamilton County Communities to ensure their EOP are in place. Also to assist in the training of elected officials.
- Working on community preparedness strategies.
- Advised all that EMA controls the siren activation and will be updating the manner in which they are activated.

LEPC – working with Cincinnati in preparation for this summer's All Star Game.

OFC/UASI/SOSINK/OFC – Chief Wright

- Biowatch met and set up new sensors in preparation for the All Star Game.

- Met with New EMA Director – hoping to keep funding sustainable for regional teams.
- Reminder of the OFC conference.
- See attachment from Chief Wright regarding legislative updates.

Southwest Ohio Fire Chiefs – AC Rupp – Chief Ober – no report

Hamilton County Sheriff – Jim Knapp

- Working with the Heroin Coalition – may move narcan into the jails.
- Talking with treatment centers to assist.
- Guns and Hoses boxing event was a great success. Will have another event in October. Made over \$60,000 to be split by Fire and Police.

President's Report - Chief Leininger

- 2015 Goals are on track.

Vice President's Report – Chief Ober

- Reminder to get with your PDs regarding the Heroin Coalition and how they plan to approach those incidents. The Coalition is moving very fast and seems to be communicating very well.

Treasurer's Report – Chief Hauck

- Only 2 organizations have not paid dues for 2015.
- Bill approved to be paid – 1st Wright, 2nd Brown
- Report is attached

Secretary's Report – Chief Ramsey

- All but 3 MA agreements have been signed and received into the repository.
- Those departments have been contacted.

DISCUSSIONS/ACTION ITEMS

USAR – Chief Leininger

- Announced Chief Ashbrock's retirement from USAR as its Commissioner. Chief Leininger commended him for his dedication and commitment to the team.
- Chief Asbrock commented on the great support and assistance from the HCFC's by lending their personnel to the team. There is great talent in the county. No one department can perform these tasks by themselves. He has many benchmarks that need to be completed and did not want to leave them incomplete. A few have been settled with the help of Ham. Co. EMA. The new State Director needs to be made aware of USARs needs as well.
- Chief Leininger stated that we need a replacement now and that the Board met with DC Tom Lakamp and he has accepted the position.

- DC Lakamp stated that it is an honor and thanked Chief Ashbrock for his mentorship during his time as commissioner. He stated that he will begin as soon as he possibly can with recommendations for his organizational chart.

COMMITTEE/TASK FORCE AND TEAM REPORTS

HCFIU – Chief Owens

- No report

Communications – AC Souders

- No report

USAR – Chief Ashbrock

- See above

COMMAND 400 – AC Mike Siefke

- No call outs
- No issues

MCI – Chief Hardwick

- Working on MCI drill for 2016

Other Business –

- Reading to host “Principles of Fire Attack” training Aug 6th – delivered by the ISFSI - more to come.

Thanks to Host:

- Evendale and BSA.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25

Next Meeting: June 17, 2015 at Boy Scouts of America, Reading Road, Evendale, 09:00.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief Terry J. Ramsey, Secretary