

GOOD WILL
PUBLIC RELATION
COOPERATION



STANDARDIZATION
EDUCATION
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General Meeting Minutes—May 15, 2024

Meeting called to order by Vice-President Chief Meador

Roll-Call of Officers:

- President Chief Tom McCabe—Absent
- Vice-President Chief Denny Meador—Present
- Treasurer Chief Todd Owens—Present
- Secretary Chief Bryan Young—Absent
- Chief Doug Campbell—Present
- Chief Steve Oughterson—Absent
- Chief Rob Hursong—Present
- Chief Allen Walls—Present
- Chief Mike Hauck—Present

New Chiefs: None

Presentations: None

Associate Members:

- 1-800-Board-Up/Teasdale Fenton.
- 859-Board-Up.
- Red Cross: Smoke detectors available, contact Gail Rose if interested.
- Cincinnati State.
- TriHealth.
- Tri-State FACE Team: Joining-up with northern Kentucky first-responders/peer support for their 2024 First-Responder Symposium training to be held on May 21st and 22nd, for more information reach-out to Kevin Hardwick.
- Tri-State Peer Support: See attachment below.
- Kettering Health.
- 9258 Wealth Management: Ohio Deferred Comp top three are Fidelity Growth, Fidelity Contrafund, and U.S. Large Value Company Stock (Dodge & Cox). Indications are the Fed's *may* cut the interest rates as early as September, but difficult to project so close to the election.

Regional Collaboration:

- Hamilton County Communications Center, Scott Brown:
 - Thanked the membership for recognizing dispatcher during National Public Safety Telecommunicator week.
 - HCCC is now providing What Three Words for pin-pointing patient scene locations, contact Scott for more information.
- Hamilton County EMA, Nick Crossley:
 - Tri-County site still on track for November of 2025, the warehouse portion is up and running.
 - Training space forecasted completion is January of 2025.
 - Now has a large cache of mass care supplies necessary to shelter up to 600 people along with 300-400 pets.
 - Hired a new mass care coordinator, will start in June.
 - Made an offer to fill the open Assistant Planner position, this individual assists locals with EOP development and other processes.
 - Hiring a Company of Operations individual to do county pre-planning and consult with local communities and business continuity planning.
 - Received \$1.4 million UASI Grant; \$200,000 less than last year.
 - Pick-up ERG books next Wednesday.
- Hamilton County Public Health, Christa Hyson:
 - Held open and closed POD meetings last week, if you were unable to attend, Sarah Moore can email presentation. If you still need a site-visit for your jurisdiction let Christa know.
- Greater Cincinnati Haz Mat/Command 400, Brooke Matzen:
 - Command 400 seeking active firefighters for membership, currently have more retirees than active members. If you have members who are interested forward them to Brooke.
- USAR, Chief Meador for Chief Lakamp:
 - The new Rescue 200 trailer has been delivered to the warehouse and will be working on getting it in service.
- Pre-Hospital Care, Chief Owens:
 - Pre-Hospital Care & EDS committee meetings are on May 15th at Station 86.
 - SW Ohio Protocol Meeting is on May 16th at Station 86.
- HCFIU, Chief Owens:
 - No report.

- Tri-State Peer Support Team, Amy Foley:
 - May is Mental Health Month.
 - Distributed suicide prevention risk factor, red flags, and how to get help flyer (attached).
 - Trained firefighter available to provide QPR trainings for your department, the training is 90 minutes and can be done for each shift.

Officer Reports:

- President: no report.
- Vice President, Chief Meador:
 - Storm Plan questions regarding activation discussed at the board meeting, Chief McCabe will discuss with the Communications Committee.
 - ERS updates, per Chief Campbell, only six updates have been received. If you intend to update your resources for state deployment, update the Excel worksheet and forward it to Chief Campbell for compilation.
- Treasurer, Chief Owens:
 - State and federal reporting completed and filed.
 - Financial report (attached), Motion by Chief Jetter, second by Chief Hursong to approve the financial report, motion carried.
- Secretary: no report.
 - Motion by Chief Walls, second by Chief Siefke to approve the meeting minutes from April, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- Communications Committee: no report.
- EMS Committee, Chief Owens.
 - Discussion about extending the twenty-minute timer for cardiac arrests to 30 minutes; may be forward to the Communications Committee.
 - Discussion about departmental experiences with the MSU, Chief Cambell will work with Chief Owens to send out survey.
- Training Committee: no report.

Old Business:

- MCI plan, “wrap-up” meeting on May 21st, hope to have draft completed in near future.

New Business:

- Summer meeting schedule, motion by Chief Owens to cancel both the June and July meetings, second by Chief Jetter, motion carried.

Next Meeting: August 21st at 09:00 at Great Oaks.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Chief Wall, second by Chief Hursong, motion carried at 09:19.

Respectfully submitted by Chief Todd Owens, acting Secretary.



Recognize Risk Factors

Characteristics or situations that put someone at an increased risk for suicide:

- Exposure to violence and trauma
- Family or personal history of suicide
- Depression, anxiety or other mental illness
- Dramatic mood changes
- Substance abuse
- Domestic abuse
- Significant negative personal or professional life change
- Access to weapons
- Limited social support

Red Flags

Behaviors that indicate someone may be at risk for suicide:

- Statements or threats to harm/kill themselves
- Talking, writing, or drawing about wanting to die
- Looking to secure a means to complete suicide
- Dramatic mood changes
- Feelings of worthlessness
- Inability to sleep or sleeping all the time
- Uncontrolled anger or aggression
- Withdrawing from family, friends, or activities
- Giving away personal possessions

YOUR ACTIONS CAN SAVE A LIFE



- Ask if they are thinking about suicide.
- Listen and take their answers seriously.
- Asking if someone is considering suicide does not make them more likely to follow through with it.
- Assess and keep them safe.
- If it's an emergency, get professional help immediately.
- Respectfully remove any access to lethal means.
- Stay with them. If it's an emergency, do not leave them alone.
- Call or text the 988 Suicide Crisis Lifeline.
- Help them find professional support.
- Check-in. Once they have support, follow up with them to find out how they're doing.

*Source: <https://www.bethe1to.com/>

988 SUICIDE & CRISIS
LIFELINE

Chat/additional resource 988lifeline.org

- Free, confidential, and available to everyone.
- Support for veterans and first responder.



SIZE UP THE SCENE

PREVENTING FIRST RESPONDER SUICIDE

More law enforcement officers and firefighters have died by suicide as compared to other line-of-duty related deaths and it is believed that the number of public safety personnel who take their own lives is underreported, making the actual numbers even higher. First Responders witness tragedy everyday and over time the emotional toll may lead to behavioral health conditions such as anxiety, depression, and post-traumatic stress disorder. In severe cases of untreated mental health, first responders may consider suicide.

If you are struggling with thoughts of suicide, it's okay to seek help, which is a sign of strength, not weakness. Many people with similar struggles have been able to find hope, be resilient, and demonstrate that recovery is possible.

THE FOLLOWING BEHAVIORS MAY BE SIGNS THAT YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS CONSIDERING SUICIDE:

- Talking about feeling trapped or wanting to die
- Expressing feelings of hopelessness
- Feeling like there is no reason to live
- Worrying about being a burden to others
- Increasing drug and alcohol use
- Partaking in reckless behavior
- Sleeping too much or too little
- Withdrawing or isolating from others
- Displaying extreme mood swings

ONE SMALL ACT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

*Investing in mental health and safety is critical to building solid workplaces, a strong workforce, and strong communities.
For resources on starting your department peer support team or to receive QPR training email: firstresponderps@gmail.com.*



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PEER SUPPORT TEAM

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Balance Sheet

Accrual Basis

As of May 7, 2024

	<u>May 7, 24</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
100 · Checking	
111 · HCFCFA Checking	80,110.68
600 · HCFIU Balance	3,461.59
605 · K9 Balance	2,451.02
Total 100 · Checking	86,023.29
113 · HCFCFA Prime Savings	11.00
200 · USAR Checking	40,773.17
Total Checking/Savings	126,807.46
Accounts Receivable	
11000 · Accounts Receivable	3,010.00
Total Accounts Receivable	3,010.00
Total Current Assets	129,817.46
TOTAL ASSETS	129,817.46
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
999 · HCFCFA Equity	121,400.47
Net Income	8,416.99
Total Equity	129,817.46
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Activity

Accrual Basis

As of May 7, 2024

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount	Balance
100 · Checking						83,780.88
111 · HCFCFA Checking						78,118.27
Deposit	04/15/2024			Assoc. Dues (2)	500.00	78,618.27
Deposit	04/29/2024			FD Dues (4)	825.00	79,443.27
Deposit	04/29/2024			Assoc. Dues (2)	500.00	79,943.27
Gener...	04/30/2024	119		Interest	17.41	79,960.68
Deposit	05/07/2024			FD Dues (1)	150.00	80,110.68
Total 111 · HCFCFA Checking					1,992.41	80,110.68
600 · HCFIU Balance						3,211.59
Deposit	04/29/2024			Fees (4)	200.00	3,411.59
Deposit	05/07/2024			Fees (1)	50.00	3,461.59
Total 600 · HCFIU Balance					250.00	3,461.59
605 · K9 Balance						2,451.02
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Total 100 · Checking					2,242.41	86,023.29
113 · HCFCFA Prime Savings						11.00
Total 113 · HCFCFA Prime Savings						11.00
200 · USAR Checking						42,171.47
Deposit	04/29/2024			Fees (4)	200.00	42,371.47
Check	04/29/2024	1195	Mark Bond	Radio batteries (20)	-578.85	41,792.62
Check	04/29/2024	1196	Beamer Piggy Back Sales &...	DOT inspection and service R200 Tractor	-882.20	40,910.42
Deposit	05/07/2024			Fees (1)	50.00	40,960.42
Check	05/07/2024	1197	Beamer Piggy Back Sales &...	DOT inspection and service R200 Trailer	-187.25	40,773.17
Total 200 · USAR Checking					-1,398.30	40,773.17
TOTAL					844.11	126,807.46

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Accounts Receivable
As of May 7, 2024

Type	Date	Num	Name	Due Date	Aging	Open Balance
Current						
Total Current						
1 - 30						
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-012	ELMWOOD PLACE FD	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-023	MARIEMONT FD	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-024	MIAMI TOWNSHIP FD	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-028	NORTH COLLEGE HILL FD	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-038	WYOMING FD	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-042	Bound Tree Medical	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-043	Cincinnati State	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-047	Hamilton Co. Communications	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-048	Hamilton County EMA	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-051	PARR Public Safety Equip.	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	03/18/2024	24-055	VFIS	04/17/2024	20	250.00
Invoice	04/05/2024	24-057	Teasdale Fenton	05/05/2024	2	260.00
Total 1 - 30						3,010.00
31 - 60						
Total 31 - 60						
61 - 90						
Total 61 - 90						
> 90						
Total > 90						
TOTAL						3,010.00