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Fire Chiefs' Meeting Minutes

Date: September 20, 2023

Location: Scarlet Oaks

The meeting was called to order at 09:05 with Chief McCabe presiding.

Roll-Call of Officers

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

New Chiefs

None

Presentations

Ohio BWC, Mary Beth Holley discussed Safety Grants available to departments, FEEEG and SIG.
See Attachment

Associate Members

1-800-Board-Up

Tom Camp thanked the membership for allowing him to attend.

Tri-Health

Kevin Hardwick shared that TriHealth has expanded their services for firefighters and other first responders. TriHealth is hosting a Health Fair on Saturday November 4th, 2023, at 6200 Pfeiffer Road. Good Samaritan south drive will be closing in the next couple of months due to Emergency Room construction. Kevin also shared info from the FACE Team about events as well as info about PFAS and the Amber Ribbon Project. **See Attachment**

Pam mentioned a Calcium Scoring Test which is a non-invasive test that can be done through TriHealth, cost is \$100.00.

Stryker

Ross Finan reported that lead times are getting better, and there will be a 3-5% price increase October 1st. Hamilton County Sheriffs Department has purchased AED's that are not Physio compatible.

9258 Wealth Management

Pete Bohrofen thanked the membership for allowing him to attend, and reported the following are the top three performers for Ohio Deferred Comp:

1. US Large Value Stock (Dodge & Cox)
 2. Vanguard Capital Opportunity
 3. Fidelity Contra Fund
- U.S. Treasury Bond 6 mos. @5.537%
 - Any members needing Financial Planning, contact Pete, 513-515-2559

Regional Collaboration

Hamilton County Communications Center

Scott Brown reported on the following:

- Comm Center is still down 16, have hired 4 recently.

Hamilton County Public Health

No Report

Hamilton County EMA

Nick Crossley reported on the following:

- Nick thanked everyone who participated in the Partners in Preparedness Meeting.
- They have received Federal approval for Hazard Mitigation Plan, must be adopted within 1 year to receive funds.
- Morgan sent out a Partners in Preparedness Survey, please complete.
- Warehouse Update, they are working on relocating utilities.
- EMA is taking control of Clearcreek Townships Mass Casualty Truck, they will be looking at it and updating it.
- Radio tower is up at the new Communications location.
- Check out their website if you haven't lately, there are templates and 3 tabletop exercise examples available.

GC HazMat & Command 400

No Report

USAR

Chief Lakamp reported on the following:

- 0 Activations, 2 Consults.
- 2024 BGSU Rescue Tech Course, UASI funded, no update.
- 2024 OEMA Grant not yet received.
- New R-200 trailer bid has been awarded and is in production.
- Full Team Training September 20 & 21 – Search.
- R-202 is a very good resource and is available.
- Special Thanks to Jeff Childers and Michael Benedict for their hard work on R-202.
- ARU Demonstration after this meeting.

See Attached Report

PHCOC

Chief Owens reported the following:

- Next Prehospital Care / EDS Committee Meeting will be at Good Sam Western Ridge on September 28th.
- Still looking for folks interested in joining an EMS Committee as part of HCFCFA.

HCFIU

The Fire Investigation Unit has been very busy, and they have received some new (refurbished) cameras.

Tri State PEER Support Team

Amy Foley reported the following:

- PEERR Support Team is in a Strategic Planning Process.
- Peer Support Training:
 - o IAFF Peer Support Training @ North College Hill in December, 10 spots left.
 - o Post Traumatic Incident Response Training in October, 10 spots left.
 - o Chaplain Training in October and April, will send out flyers.

Officer Reports

President

Chief McCabe had no report.

Vice President

Upcoming Officer Elections.

Treasurer

Financial Report shared, **See Attached Report.**

Motion to accept the report by Chief Hauck, second by Chief Oughterson, Motion approved.

Secretary

Minutes Distributed. Starting review process of MCI Plan.

Motion to accept the report by Chief Jetter, second by Chief Souders. Motion approved.

Committee Reports and Teams

Communication Committee

Chief Souders spoke about the Storm Plan, if you have any questions about this plan, please reach out to him or Assistant Chief Williams (Springdale). The Digital Pager System has been updated. CAD Browser is outdated and needs to be updated; they are currently working on this. There was also a large discussion about UAS500 (see New Business). If your department has a Drone program that may be dispatched or be on the radio, please have an identifier assigned, this will make it easier on the dispatchers. CO Alarm dispatch type will be modified to be CO/CO2.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Chief Johnson spoke about the background of UAS 500 and its capabilities, also about their affiliations and relationships with NIST and Drone Responders. There was a lengthy discussion about this program, questions and concerns were addressed by some of the Chiefs. A motion

was made by Chief Owens and seconded by Chief Jetter to have UAS500 no longer under the HCFCFA. This motion was later amended and brought to a vote to Disassociate UAS500 from The Hamilton County Fire Chiefs Association and disperse any remaining funds to a selected 501C3, motion passed.

Chief McCabe reminded everyone that there will be a USAR Drone Team Demonstration after the meeting and also we will be doing a group picture.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Chief Souders, second by Chief Stanley. The meeting was adjourned @10:30.

Next Meeting: October 18th, 2023

Respectfully submitted, Chief Bryan Young, Secretary