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Fire Chiefs' Meeting Minutes

Date: September 15, 2021

Location: Scarlet Oaks and Virtual

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

Roll-Call of Officers

President Mike Hauck - Present
Vice President Kevin Hardwick - Present
Treasurer Todd Owens - Present
Secretary Denny Meador - Present
Chief Doug Campbell - Present
Chief Alfie Jones - Absent
Chief Rob Hursong - Present
Chief Allen Walls – Present
Chief Bryan Young – Present

New Chiefs

Chief John Mackey was introduced as the new chief of Sharonville Fire Department.

Updates/Presentations

EMA

Director Nick Crossley reported the following:

- Reports by HCPH Commissioner on COVID can be viewed on YouTube. These videos provide the most current information relating to the county.
- Rapid test kits are available through HCPH, and are free of charge.
- Registration for ICS-300 closes on September 17. There are still seats available for the class.
- The EOC will be conducting its annual exercise on September 17. This will be the first chance to test new processes developed during the accreditation process.
- The Partners in Preparedness Meeting is scheduled for September 29 at the Sharonville Convention Center. Please encourage your administrators to attend.

HCPH

No report.

Regional Collaboration

HCCC

Director Andy Knapp reported the following:

- The \$5/detail user fee. Contact HCCC for your 2021 pricing.
- There is funding earmarked for facility upgrades for the HCCC.
- Continuing work on upgrading technology and the CAD backbone.
- Still understaffed by about 16 dispatchers.

GCHMU

Chief Chris Theders reported the following:

- C-400 will be at Oktoberfest Wednesday through Sunday to assist with safety.
- If you have a need for a hazmat response, please make the request through HCCC rather than call the duty officer directly. If they are not dispatched via HCCC they cannot bill for their services.

Chief Hauck reminded the membership that requests for UAS-500 should also be made through HCCC and not through their duty officer.

USAR

Chief Tom Lakamp presented the August USAR report, which is attached to these minutes.

PHCOC

Chief Owens had no report for PHCOC. The draft for 2022 protocols will be out in early November.

HCFIU

Chief Owens reported a donation of \$2,500 from the Ford Motor Company for support of the arson canine.

Tri State Peer Support

Amy Foley reported the following:

- OAPFF training will be held on September 20 at 1:00 PM.
- Resiliency leadership training will be held in October. Other dates are available if your department is interested in setting up this training. Please contact Peer Support.

CFD

Chief Lakamp reported the following:

- Chief should to submit the names of firefighters that have passed away in the last year to him for the 2021 firefighter memorial service.
- There will be a blood drive on October 12 at the CFD union hall.
- They are anticipating in starting another recruit class in February 2022.

Associate Members

9258 Wealth Management

Pete Bohrofen reported the following:

- The top three performing funds in Deferred Comp are
 - Fidelity Growth
 - Vanguard Capital Opportunity
 - Dodge & Cox
- Indications are that inflation is beginning to level off, and the long-term financial outlook is positive.

859 Board Up

Jessie distributed a flyer for the upcoming F.A.C.E. Team meeting on September 22 at Blue Ash. She also reported they adding new services for their victim assistance programs, including pet cremation.

TriHealth

Kay Vonderschmidt reported that construction is continuing at Good Samaritan and Bethesda North. Updates will be provided on any changes to traffic patterns that may affect crews. COVID is continuing to have a negative affect on capacity across their system.

University of Cincinnati

Larry Bennett reported there is a chemical safety seminar on September 18. The seminar will be available for remote viewing and the link will be sent to the association. There are currently five dogs available for pet therapy should your department need them. Contact HCCC to have them dispatched.

1-800-BOARDUP

Tom Camp thanked the association for being allowed to attend.

Officer Reports

President

Chief Hauck reported the following:

- HCPH has rapid COVID test kits available. Contact John Sherrad for more information.
- The Training Committee is reviewing the previous survey that was sent out, and is considering resending it to get input from firefighters and line officers in addition to just the chief officers.

Vice President

Chief Hardwick reported the following:

- The Ohio F.A.C.E. Team will have a booth at Firehouse Expo this coming weekend.
- A draft document entitled "Situational Awareness Notification Policy" was distributed to the membership. It is a means for chiefs to be alerted when there are large events happening in the county, or when a specialized team is activated. Please contact a committee member if you have any comments on the document.
- The draft document "Incident Support Team" will be sent to membership in October.

This plan encompasses behind the scenes activities that may assist in an incident, such as move ups, but does not run through the IC on scene.

Treasurer

Chief Owens presented the August financial statement which is attached to these minutes. Motion to accept the report by Chief Terry Timmers, second by Chief Steve Oughterson. Motion approved.

Secretary

Chief Meador reported the minutes from the August general meeting and September board meeting were sent out to the membership. Motion to accept the minutes by Chief Hursong, second by Chief Steve Lawson. Motion approved.

Committee Reports and Teams

Communications Committee

No report.

Health, Safety & Fitness Committee

Chief Meador will schedule a meeting in October.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Chief Hauck appointed Chiefs Tom Camp, Paul Gallo, and Steve Lawson to the Nomination Committee. Positions open in November are the Vice President, Treasurer, and three board positions. Voting will be conducted online.

Chief Oughterson asked if departments were going to mandate COVID vaccines for their employees. Even though most of us are under the 100-employee minimum, we may fall into the requirement because we accept federal funds through Medicare. The general consensus was that departments were not going to mandate vaccines at this time.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Chief Tom McCabe, second by Chief Hardwick. Motion approved.

Next Meeting October 20, 2021

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Denny Meador, Secretary