

**Western Wayne County Fire Department Mutual Aid Association  
Meeting Agenda  
February 20, 2020**

**Hosting Agency: Redford Fire Department**

**Present:**

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| Belleville – N/A                           | Northville Twp – Siegel, Marcotte, Hughes |
| Canton – Meier, Stoecklein, Strassner      | Novi – Johnson                            |
| Dearborn – Murray, Densmore                | Plymouth – Ott, Samhat                    |
| Dearborn Heights – Brogan, Badalow, Martin | Plymouth Twp – Phillips                   |
| Detroit Metro Airport – Evans, O'Such      | Redford – Demoff                          |
| Farmington Hills – N/A                     | Romulus – N/A                             |
| Garden City – Harman                       | Taylor – N/A                              |
| Inkster – Hubbard                          | Van Buren – McInally                      |
| Livonia – Heavener, Unsworth, Jennison     | Wayne – Stradtner                         |
| Melvindale – Densmore, Murray              | Westland – Stradtner                      |
| Northville – Ott, Samhat                   |   |

Guests: Apollo (Craig Poike), Jarvis Property Restoration (Carol Dole), DNR (Brian Carroll), Mich Fire Training Consultants (Smilnak), Stryker (Jamie & Maegan), AccuMed (Lynn Kell), CWW (Laura Haynes)

**Regular Business Meeting**

President Murray called today's meeting to order at 12:12PM.

- A. Round table introductions -
- B. Any additional items for the agenda to be named. None.
- C. Recognition of hosting agency and comment from the host. Chief Demoff thanked everyone for attending today's meeting, and welcomed them to Redford.
- D. Approval of January Minutes. Motion by McInally, support by Hubbard. Motion carried.

**Public Comments**

- A. Jamie Smith Stryker/Lucas presentation on the benefits of a group purchase for Wayne County communities. Maegan provided details and advantages of the Lifepak CR2 device.

**Report of Officers**

- A. President Murray reported on the following:
  1. Budget discussions ongoing. Meeting will be held at the end of this month, with recommendations to follow by next month's meeting.
  2. Congratulations to Chris Stoecklein as new SMAFC Sgt at Arms, and Joshua Meier as the new MAFC VP. Stoecklein to be sworn in on May 14<sup>th</sup> in Southfield. Meier to be sworn in on Tues, April 7<sup>th</sup> in Novi, during the MiChiefs conference / presidential banquet 6:30PM.
  3. HEMS seat – recommendation from the board is to discontinue our membership to HEMS. To be voted on later today.
  4. Invoices have been sent out to Depts not in compliance with SOT rules governing. This equals approximately \$19,000.
  5. State MABAS Exercise last week. Thank you to all Departments that participated in it. Feedback was very positive.
- B. Vice President Stoecklein thanked everyone for their continued support re: his son, who is recovering from a head injury.
- C. Secretary Phillips has developed a MABAS box card template, for you to continue to keep your information updated. Evans provided background as to the reasoning behind using hard copies instead of the old website. Email: John.Barile@wcaa.us
- D. Treasurer Evans reported on the following:

- Checking: \$18,164.11
- Savings: \$204,760.30

Overdue-Open Invoice Status Updates

1. Canton Carbon Monoxide (8/03/18) \$2,323.51 – check has been sent.
2. Farmington Hills M5 Tanker Rollover (10/08/18) \$24,053.23
3. Northville City River Contamination (6/02/14) \$21,655.55 – Ott reported that they are moving towards a settlement.
4. Downriver Mutual Aid Approved reimbursement for \$3,120 for HazMat Supplies. Evans reported that this payment is forthcoming, as it was approved at their recent membership meeting. Motion to receive the financial report by Ott, support by Heavener. Motion carried. Report accepted & filed.

**Report of Committees and Task Groups**

- A. Conference of Western Wayne - Laura Haynes had nothing to report. Josh Meier provided detailed background and information on the Interfacility Transfer legislation. This is a major issue that the chiefs are monitoring. Lisa Martin & Mike Stradtner provided further insight to this x-fer issue. House bills being monitored: manual pull stations within schools, and another focused on allowing barricade devices within schools. Drug overdose training for medical first responders. Bill Forbush is meeting with Sen. Stamas to further discuss.
- B. Emergency Management - Chief Densmore reminded everyone of the May 5-7 Homeland Security conference. MiSIMS exercise reminder.  
Radio Encryption Questionnaire – Stoecklein reminded everyone that comments from the survey were due yesterday. All paperwork is available for your review, if you'd like to look it over. More to come.
- C. EMS and HEMS – Chief Ott reported:
  1. Board of Trustees received audit report back in January, which came back clean. Some discussion re: Cyanide Exposure kits. More to come, as there is concern as how to move forward with funding. If your community is interested, please let Ott know ASAP. Agency renewal process is moving towards electronic processing. There is an agency First Response EMS that appears to not follow rules. Please let Miljan know if you're having issues with this company.
  2. Nurse Managers Meeting – None.
  3. Operations – None.
- D. Training Report - Chief Vaskin Badalow reported:
  1. CTC Updates – He provided update on the EMU Staff & Command invoicing. \$4500 fireworks funding has been allocated for the MiChiefs conference April 6-8 in Novi. If you're interested in attending, you must reach out to Vaskin Badalow directly. He will compile the list.
  2. NFA have announced they are open for vacancies.
- E. Special Operations Reports
  1. General Updates - Director Meier reported
    - a. Budget meeting on Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, and will come back with a recommendation to the Board.
    - b. Invoices for non-participation
    - c. Equipment is aging, and is being repaired which is expensive.
    - d. Applied for UASI grant to replace USAR equipment.
  2. HazMat & MUSAR Report - Chief O'Such reported on last month's training sessions, as well as upcoming classes. Attendance report was emailed this morning.
    - a. Jesse Marcotte (NTFD) announced a trench rescue awareness class, being held in Canton Twp on May 11<sup>th</sup> & May 13<sup>th</sup>. Flyer will be sent out soon.

b. Meier provided background on the "First Due" series of anticipated internal training.

F. Mutual Aid Box Alarm Report - Chief Johnson provided a report:

1. Recent State Testing Update – mobilization was very good and effective. He provided post-event analysis and feedback received. Full feedback report will be distributed. After action debrief should occur in the next week, or so.
2. DTW Full Scale Exercise -May 20<sup>th</sup>. Evans provided details. Check-in time 8AM. Event should start at 10AM, wrap up around Noon. Debrief to follow. EM credits will be available. CEU's available to medics, as well. Discussion followed on logistics.

G. Other Chief Association Reports

1. Downriver Fire Mutual Aid Group – Murray reiterated that they approved to pay the invoice for supplies.
2. Southeastern Michigan Fire Chiefs - Next Meeting March 12, Detroit (DNR Outdoor Adventure Center).
3. MAFC- Expo and Conference April 6-8, Novi.
4. International Association of Fire Chiefs. August 19-21 Phoenix AZ, FRI

**Old Business**

Continuing to meet with board and special operations teams regarding budget. Should have recommendations for group by next month.

**New Business**

Board recommends that we opt-out of full active HEMS membership (\$35K/yr), and consider the auxiliary membership (approximately \$3,500/yr) instead. Ott recommended that we stay involved by using this auxiliary non-voting seat. After much discussion, a motion was made: At the expiration of the current term, the WW Mutual Aid Association will not maintain a full membership on the HEMS board and move to an auxiliary membership. Motion by Ott, support by Heavener. Motion carried unanimously.

Murray notified everyone to expect a slight increase in dues, in an effort to cover anticipated equipment purchases & repairs.

**Good of the Order -**

Evidentiary blood draw protocol – Ott asked the group for the history of this association's decision to opt out of this protocol. Meier provided insight as to our reasoning for the decision.

Next Meeting – March 19<sup>th</sup> – Hosted by Inkster Fire Dept. Held at the Booker Dozier Rec Center. 2025 Middlebelt Inkster, Michigan 48141

Hazmat – Jan 30<sup>th</sup> incident in Novi. Jeff Johnson provided information surrounding the call for WW team. He thanked everyone who responded, as it was handled effectively and professionally. Kudos to the team for their efforts.

Evans reported that the airport's Critical Care transfer unit went into service just last week.

Adjournment – 1:16PM