

**Western Wayne County Fire Department Mutual Aid Association  
Meeting Minutes**

**March 18, 2021  
11:00AM via Zoom**

Belleville – Loranger	
Canton – Stoecklein, Strassner	Northville Twp – Hughes
Dearborn – Densmore	Novi – Johnson, Martin
Dearborn Heights – Brogan, Badalow	Plymouth – Ott, Samhat
Detroit Metro Airport – O’Such	Plymouth Twp – Phillips
Farmington Hills – Unruh	Redford – Demoff
Garden City – Harman	Romulus – Krause
Inkster – Hubbard	Taylor – N/A
Livonia – Heavener, Unsworth	Van Buren – McInally
Melvindale – Densmore	Wayne – Schneider
Northville – Ott, Samhat	Westland – Stamper, Morris

Guest(s): Sellek (CWW), Dan Richards (US DOT, HMSAT), Ahonen (Belfor)

**Hosting Agency: ZOOM Meeting (COVID-19)**

Vice President Stoecklein called today’s meeting to order at 11:00AM

**Regular Business Meeting**

- 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 – Will be removed from future agendas.
- D. Approval of January Minutes. – Motion by Johnson, second by Demoff. Motion carried.

**Public Comments** – Dan Richards introduced himself and highlighted the resources and capabilities from the Hazmat Safety Assistance Team (HMSAT). [Daniel.Richards@dot.gov](mailto:Daniel.Richards@dot.gov) / (847)650-9803

**Report of Officers**

- A. President Murray unable to make today’s call so Stoecklein reviewed the following:
  1. COVID Testing – Dearborn testing site
  2. COVID Vaccination Updates – Much discussion followed on the availability of vaccines, and abundance of sites. Please reach out to Chief Heavener if you need help setting up a site. Strassner said their experience with vaccinations has been very positive.
  3. Northville Downs Incident has been resolved. Checks distributed soon.
- B. Vice President Stoecklein had nothing to report at this time of the meeting.
- C. Secretary Phillips reported on the following
  1. Per Chief Siegel, completed the MMRMA questionnaire & review. We’ll probably see a bit of a reduction in our premiums.
  2. CLEMIS updates – several new features have been rolled out. Let Phillips know if you’ve had any problems. He mentioned a recent issue that was discovered re: coding.
- D. Treasurer Brogan reported on the following
  1. Account Balances:
    - a. Checking: \$49,320.16
    - b. Savings: \$339,543.91
  - Overdue-Open Invoice Status Updates

- Incident Van Buren Twp Belleville Lake - \$13,198.43 – Chief McNally provided a status update, as they are hoping to get this resolved soon.

## Report of Committees and Task Groups

- A. Conference of Western Wayne (Chief Harman, Jordyn Sellek, Laura Haynes) –
  1. Jordyn reviewed the federal relief package and reviewed the parameters. She provided detailed information of the anticipated allocations.
  2. Legislative update – HB4171 & 4172 just passed out of the house yesterday and heading to Senate. Stoecklein mentioned HB4792 (unattended gas stations) and Jordyn provided update, as it seems that it's no longer active though she will look into it further and let us know.
  3. PA 291 Rules Rewrite – CWW sent comments to the FFTC on behalf of all our communities. Also asking that all communities send their comments in, as well.
  4. 911 funds – currently working on this bill rewrite and will be asking for this group's input in the near future. Discussion followed.
  
- B. Emergency Management - Chief Densmore reported
  1. COVID-19 Update – continue to help with the Dearborn testing center.
  2. EM Updates – MEMA conference will be virtual. More to come.
  
- C. EMS and HEMS (Chief Ott, Chief Phillips, Chief Brogan)
  1. Board of Trustees – Ott reported that the board of trustees meets next week. Last meeting was Jan 28<sup>th</sup>.
    - a. Hospitals want to see EMS personnel in PPE, including eye protection
    - b. TXA is going to be added to regional drug boxes, though still checking on protocols.
    - c. Protocol review which all EMS personnel should complete, to close on March 31<sup>st</sup>.
  2. Nurse Managers Meeting – Philips highlighted info:
    - a. Unable to attend the March meeting.
    - b. Mutual Aid agreement changes, as it seems they'll be a bit more lenient in the future.
    - c. EMS Sub-committee – Stoecklein provided updates on recent review.
  3. Operations – Brogan reported:
    - a. CQI's turned in
    - b. Continue to keep up on documentation & paperwork
  
- D. Training Report (Chief Stoecklein, Chief Badalow, Chief Portis)
  1. CTC Updates - Badalow reported:
    - a. Two recent memorandums that came out earlier this year re: funds. January memo said they redistributed fireworks funds from the canceled Expo. Keep in mind there is a Sept deadline. Second memo was re: mental health & wellness training courses. The allocation of these funds and related training is still in the works but moving forward.
  2. Act 291 Updates – Stoecklein provided a summary of this current issue and background, as the public hearing is March 24<sup>th</sup>. The MiChiefs have distributed information and boilerplate language.
  
- E. Special Operations Reports
  1. General Updates – Phillips provided the report as Siegel wasn't on the call. Only mention was that the MMRMA questionnaire has been completed. Thanks for everyone's help with this.
  2. HazMat Report - Chief Unruh reported
    - a. Details provided on the March 10<sup>th</sup> Redford township incident
    - b. February training – CN Railcar
    - c. March training to be held at NOMADS. Includes a review of the Redford incident on drug labs.
  3. MUSAR Report - Chief Badalow reported:

- a. Feb training reviewed, as they had to find a new venue. Thanks to Wayne for providing parking structure for this ropes training.
  - b. March trench training in Canton.
  - c. Equipment and supplies update, all within approved budget expenses.
  - d. April is structural collapse training in Canton.
  - e. Reminder that they are always in need of structures for training
- F. Mutual Aid Box Alarm Report –
1. Chief Johnson reported on the recent MI-MABAS Executive Board Meeting.
    - a. Capabilities of the team - check out the videos on MiMABAS.org site.
    - b. Exercises – looking to do one each quarter. January topic was EMS strike teams. March 10<sup>th</sup> event was cancelled. Next one April 14<sup>th</sup> Brush Strike Team and then a May activation. Johnson mentioned future drills and the focus of each.
    - c. April 21<sup>st</sup> Virtual Webinar
    - d. Much discussion amongst the MABAS Board on the 291 Rules.
    - e. Chris Martin will be reaching out to every division in an effort to verify.
  2. Recent State Testing Update
  3. Box Card Updates - Johnson shared the screen and reviewed three box card and updates – Discussion followed. It was decided to let the Board review and then bring back at another meeting. More to come.
- G. Other Chief Association Reports
1. Downriver Fire Chiefs -
    - a. Doug Lafond, Allen Park has submitted retirement papers.
  2. Southeastern Michigan Fire Chiefs – Brogan had nothing new to report, as the Rules changes were already discussed.
  3. MAFC – already discussed earlier.
  4. International Association of Fire Chiefs.
    - a. FRI scheduled for July 28-31 in Charlotte, NC
  5. FDIC – Aug 19-24 in Indianapolis.
- H. Michigan Fire Service Coalition Updates – already discussed earlier in today’s meeting.

**Old Business** - None

**New Business**

**Good of the Order** –

- Harman provided some details on the recent apartment fire. Ended up being a 2<sup>nd</sup> alarm. She expressed her gratitude to the neighboring communities who helped.
- Garden City hospital vaccine clinic – shortage of staff.
- Brogan thanked Jordyn Sellek for her help with her recent presentation to the Dearborn Heights city council.

Next Meeting - April 15, 2021 via Zoom

Adjournment – 12:07PM