

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

**March 17, 2022
11:30AM**

Hosting Agency: Dearborn Heights Fire Department

Present:

Belleville – Loranger

Canton – N/A

Dearborn – Murray, Faraj

Dearborn Heights – Brogan, Badalow, Martin

Detroit Metro Airport – Dunlap

Farmington Hills – Unruh

Garden City – Harman

Inkster – Hubbard

Livonia – N/A

Melvindale – Murray, Faraj

Northville City – Samhat

Northville Twp – Siegel

Novi – Johnson

Plymouth City – Samhat

Plymouth Twp – Phillips, Conely

Redford Twp – Demoff

Romulus – N/A

Taylor – Pochron

Van Buren Twp – McNally, Lenaghan

Wayne – N/A

Westland – Morris, Stamper

**Guest(s): CWW (Haynes), First OnSite (Strudgeon),
MI Fire Training Consultants (Smilnak)**

Regular Business Meeting – President Joe Murray called today’s meeting to order at Noon.

- A. Round table introductions.
- B. Any additional items for the agenda to be named – N/A
- C. Recognition of hosting agency and comment from the host – Chief Brogan thanked Chelsea Strudgeon with First OnSite for providing today’s luncheon. He welcomed everyone to Dearborn Heights.
- D. Approval of February Meeting Minutes – Motion to approve by Demoff, second by Harman. Motion Carried.

Public Comments – N/A

Report of Officers

- A. President Murray reported on the following
 1. Midwest Fire Rescue Expo and Conference- April 11 thru 13 – MiChiefs.org
 2. Southeast Fire Chiefs May 6th 7p to 10p at Bookies Bar and Grill in Detroit. \$75pp all you can eat and drink (top shelf). Celebration of outgoing President and open to all family and friends.
 3. Southeast on May 12 (11:30) Meeting at Summit on the Parkway in Canton. Installation of officers. Incoming president is Chris Stoecklein.
 4. CTC Names needed for each Fire Department – Please provide your rep name to Stoecklein ASAP.
- B. Vice President Stoecklein- (Excused) – No report.
- C. Secretary Siegel reported on the following:
 1. Chief Krause reached out to Siegel and asked for information re: fire investigation consortium / team. This has been discussed in the past. Asking this group for consideration on moving forward. Siegel will send out an email asking for anyone who may be interested. More to come.
- D. Treasurer Brogan provided the following financial report:
 1. Checking: \$165,338.82
 2. Savings: \$ 326,414.45

Overdue-Open Invoice Status Updates – None

Motion by Phillips, second by Demoff. Motion carried. Report was accepted & will be filed.

DTE update – Brogan reported they are still working on several issues relating to downed lines, and cutting. Improving on the response of wire down response teams. If you have any issues, please notify Brogan.

Report of Committees and Task Groups

- A. Conference of Western Wayne (Chief Harman, Jordyn Sellek, Laura Haynes)
 - 1. Mental Health Updates – Haynes reported.
 - 2. State budget & specific line items- Should have better idea mid-June, specifically related to recruitment.
 - 3. Mental Health Survey was sent out last week. Please complete the form, and send back ASAP. Harman provided further insight on the survey, as it will have an impact on the fire service.
 - 4. Laura highlighted the conversations from recent meeting related to the Highland Park / Water authority issue.

- B. Emergency Management (Chief Densmore, EM Hayes)
 - 1. COVID-19 Updates -
 - 2. EM Updates
 - 3. LEPC – Siegel reported on the recent Local emergency Planning Committee. PFOS Foam concerns. Siegel recommended that Wayne County be the lead on this cleanup, resources available & other related issues. Murray appreciated Siegel keeping us informed. More to come.

- C. EMS and HEMS (Chief Siegel, Chief Phillips, Chief Brogan)
 - 1. Board of Trustees – Siegel had nothing to report as the meeting is next week.
 - 2. Nurse Managers Meeting – Phillips reported on the recent email chain re: PT leaving hospital and then immediately transported back to hospital. Consensus from hospitals was that all pts go back thru the ED.
 - 3. Operations –
 - a. Conely mentioned that relationship between patient care reports, hospitals & Everbridge.
 - b. New transport protocol will affect privates.
 - c. Brogan reminded everyone to transport patients to the appropriate facility.

- D. Training Report (Chief Stoecklein, Chief Badalow, Chief Portis)
 - 1. CTC Updates- Badalow reported
 - a. Details & insight provided on the recent memo from SFM requiring reps from each community. This meeting would have approximately 40+ attendees. Murray will work on this. More to come.

- E. Special Operations Reports
 - 1. General Updates (Chief Siegel) –
 - a. Special Ops committee met back on March 7th. Reviewed general issues re: Rules Governing & Appendices A & B. Master Draft Document was distributed to the membership prior to today's meeting. Siegel highlighted several topics from that document, focusing on the recommended changes. Discussion followed. Siegel fielded many questions. Unruh & Brogan each reviewed some of the suggested changes within Appendices. Anticipate a vote re: adoption of proposed rules governing & appendices at next month's meeting.
 - 2. HazMat Report (Chief Unruh) – Nothing new to report. No incidents.
 - 3. MUSAR Report (Chief Badalow) – No incidents, reviewed last month's collapse training. Validation date is set for Tues, June 21st. Practice Days - May 12 & 13 at Training Tower in Livonia.

F. Mutual Aid Box Alarm Report (Chief Johnson, Chief Unruh)

1. State Update – Johnson reported on the recent March 9th virtual meeting. Approving some policies (response plan, comms plan), also adopted accountability, RIT & MayDay. Johnson suggested that we have our committee reconvene to ensure our policies stay in-line with these MABAS policies. Continue to do exercises & training. Participating in the April Expo in Novi. Adding more divisions. MI Task Force 1 is continually training, and moving forward with purchasing several vehicles & major equipment pieces.
2. Box Card Updates – nothing more to report.

G. Other Chief Association Reports

Old Business - None.

New Business

- Inkster is hosting a Hands-On Pump Class April 7th. If you have anyone interested in attending, reach out to Chief Hubbard.

Good of the Order –

- Congratulations to Chief Dan Phillips, as he retires at the end of this month. Today is his last meeting.
- Harman provided an update on her employee recovering from prostate cancer, as he is doing very well. Update on the state reimbursement system, and issues.

Next Meeting - 11:30 on April 21, 2022. Hosted by Taylor Fire Dept.

Adjournment – 1:15PM.