

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

April 18, 2024

Belleville – Loranger
Canton - Stoecklein, Strassner, Hayes
Dearborn – Murray
Dearborn Heights – Brogan, Kean
Farmington Hills – Unruh, Baloga, Olszewski
Garden City – Keen
Inkster – N/A
Livonia – Jennison, Clay
Melvindale – Murray
Northville City – N/A
Northville Twp - Siegel

Novi - Seog
Plymouth City – N/A
Plymouth Twp – Conely
Redford Twp – N/A
Romulus – Chapman
Taylor – Young
Van Buren – McInally
Wayne – Stradtner
Wayne County Airport Authority – O’Such, Dunlap
Westland – Stamper

Guest(s): Denny Hughes (1-800-BoardUp/Belfor)

Hosting Agency: Livonia Fire Department

President Murray called today’s meeting to order at 11:49AM. He thanked Chief Jennison for hosting today’s meeting.

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 Fire Chief Bob Jennison.
- D. Approval of the March Meeting Minutes – Motion by Conely, second by McInally. Carried.

Public Comments -N/A

Report of Officers

- A. President Murray
 1. GMET Updates – Murray provided details as this could be very beneficial to your community.
 2. OSHA Input Requested – handout distributed for reference
 3. Team non-participation assessments – Siegel will provide further details.
- B. Vice President Siegel – provided explanation of the 2023 non-participation assessments. There are six (6) departments who will receive an invoice due to varying lack of attendance. Will call for a motion to move forward with these assessments during the New Business portion of today’s meeting. Siegel offered the methodology behind the calculations, which fell back to the reason behind the assessments. He reminded that spirit of attendance is to have everyone trained to an operational level.
- C. Secretary Jennison
 1. Attended a seminar in West Bloomfield, as AccuMed has been acquired by a different company to streamline collections services.
 2. EMU Staff & Command announced their golf outing (Wed, June 12), which conflicts with SE Mich Fire Chiefs outing
 3. Active Assailant Conference in Troy – June 6-7
 4. GLHD – May 7-9 in Grand Rapids
- D. Treasurer Brogan provided today’s financial report:
 1. Checking \$88,245.08
 2. Savings \$380,721.40

Motion to approve: Unruh, support by Stoecklein. Carried.

- E. Overdue-Open Invoice Status Updates
 - 1. Inkster Team Dues: \$5,000
 - 2. Romulus Train Derailment \$3,919.40

Report of Committees and Task Groups

- A. Conference of Western Wayne (Chief Stamper, Jordyn Sellek)
 - 1. CWW Updates - Jordyn Sellek was unable to attend. She sent an email to Murray: Her only update mentioned special elections for Westland & Warren were just on Tuesday, so the democrats have majority in the House again. Now we can expect legislation and the budget process to start moving.
- B. Emergency Management (EM Hayes)
 - 1. COVID-19 Updates – N/A
 - 2. EM Updates –
 - a. 5 cases of the Avian Influenza cases in Michigan in cattle
 - b. DR4757 (Aug floods & tornadoes) – FEMA approved funding which affects contingency fund which is already stretched thin
 - c. 2024 Federal appropriations finalized – DHS 9% budget decrease
- C. EMS and HEMS (Chief Siegel, Chief Conely, Chief Brogan)
 - 1. Board of Trustees – Siegel reported on the following:
 - a. BOT reviewed financial reports
 - b. Evaluations for board, physician director, & executive director
 - c. Hospital emergency dept capability definitions chart updated
 - d. New protocols were approved
 - HEMS MCAB
 - License renewals
 - Directions for agency contacts to enroll in the 2023 State EMS protocol rollout were sent
 - New MiMEDIC cards (electronic version online)
 - All departments are required to complete new protocol training, if not already done so.
 - 2. Nurse Managers Meeting – Conely reported
 - a. E-Bridge issues & functions
 - b. Capabilities chart
 - c. Hospital linen being taken is still an issue
 - 3. Operations – Brogan reported
 - a. Review MCI protocols due to some recent issues
 - 4. Murray mentioned Michigan’s Grant Program opp – paramedic school & related supplies
- D. Training Report (Chief Stoecklein, Chief Badalow, Chief Portis)
 - 1. CTC Updates – Stoecklein had nothing new to report.
 - 2. FFTC – Stoecklein attended meeting last week, explained how important it is to ensure students meet the pre-requisites before allowing them to attend a course.
 - 3. SMOKE - Jennison encouraged everyone to confirm their info in the SMOKE system. Be sure to generate only one SMOKE number per individual.
 - 4. Schoolcraft academy just added two full weeks of training to their curriculum.
- E. Special Operations Reports
 - 1. General Updates- Chief Siegel reported:
 - a. AFG grant award \$154,324 for respiratory equipment
 - WW match \$13,028

- Add on's - \$38,504.75
- Total due from WW - \$52,532

Motion to be requested under new business for WW to pay match for AFG grant and purchase remaining respiratory protection equipment in the amount not to exceed \$55,000

- b. Attendance – already discussed earlier during the VP report
 - c. NFL MABAS Company Response Plan – discussion
 2. HazMat Report (Chief Unruh)
 - a. March & April trainings occurred at WCCC (physicals & practicals)
 3. MUSAR Report - Chief Badalow
 - a. Two-day training May 7-8. Wide area search, rope rescue & trench. Location TBA.
- F. Mutual Aid Box Alarm Report (Chief Unruh, Chief Stamper)
1. State Updates – Unruh reported that the last Planning Coordinator meeting was canceled. Next one is scheduled for June.
NFL Draft – Conely provided details and reviewed the coordination issues & logistics to prepare for this commitment.
 2. Box Card Updates – Nothing more to report.
- G. Other Chief Association Reports
1. MAFC-Expo- Grand Rapids for next year (May 21-22, 2024). [www. MiChiefs.org](http://www.MiChiefs.org)
 2. SMAFC- Chief Jennison appointed Sgt-at-Arms, Next Meeting May 9th in Ferndale.
- H. CLEMIS Reports (Chief Begeman) – N/A

Old Business - None

New Business:

1. Motion by Siegel to move forward with sending invoices re: 2023 special operations assessments as discussed earlier in today's meeting. Motion to approve by Loranger, second by Chapman. Carried.
2. Motion by Siegel for WW to pay match for AFG grant and purchase remaining respiratory protection equipment in the amount not to exceed \$55,000. Motion to approve by Stoecklein, second by Seog. Carried.

Good of the Order-

1. PTFDShop.com – Conely explained the fundraiser and ease of purchase.
2. Grant follow-up from presentation last month by Carrier & Gable – status provided by Chapman
3. Romulus is anticipating a busy week due to NFL Draft, may need mutual aid
4. Hayes provided background on the recent April 15th worldwide protest – activity in SE Mich. This same group may show up during next week's draft. Just be aware.

Next Meeting: May 16, 2024 hosted by Plymouth Twp FD.

Adjournment – 12:38PM