



BERRIEN FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

Meeting 2-25-15

Called to order by Chief Davidson at 1832 hours

ATTENDANCE:

TREASURER'S REPORT – Chief Lamb reported checking Acct at 1,917.58 and \$22 was donated for Burgers.

MINUTES – Minutes from the January 21st meeting were approved with minor corrections, all in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS / BILLS – None

PRESENTATION

HEI wireless presented their Unication G1 pager to the group. The unit boasts a variety of features including the ability to apparently throw it in a bucket of water which was done. Call Don Scharnowski @ 269-926-1555 for more information. The units list at \$495 however special pricing may be available.

Berrien County Fire Chief's Association
Attendance Sheet
February 18, 2015

Print	Signature	Dept.
1. Frank Delavie	<i>[Signature]</i>	SACAS
2. Ken Nemes	<i>[Signature]</i>	Medlight
3. Gary Adams	<i>[Signature]</i>	SISTEM
4. William Adams	<i>[Signature]</i>	Medlight
5. David Adams	<i>[Signature]</i>	BC 911
6. Kim R. Johnson	<i>[Signature]</i>	Medlight
7. Don Durbin	<i>[Signature]</i>	RTFD
8. Don Scharnowski Jr.	<i>[Signature]</i>	HEI wireless
9. Brian Sasa	<i>[Signature]</i>	HEI wireless
10. Dennis J. Jr.	<i>[Signature]</i>	911
11. Tom Gillette	<i>[Signature]</i>	Tala-Rod
12. Don deBart	<i>[Signature]</i>	Baroda FD
13. Mike Davidson	<i>[Signature]</i>	Chikaming
14. LAMP	<i>[Signature]</i>	NFD
15. Raymond Adams	<i>[Signature]</i>	BC 911
16. Tom Scilan	<i>[Signature]</i>	ESD
17. Gerry Kalkbrenner	<i>[Signature]</i>	ESD
18. Rocky Adams	<i>[Signature]</i>	ESD
19. Don Jones	<i>[Signature]</i>	WFD
20. Dave Stover	<i>[Signature]</i>	ESDFD
21. Ray Kachel	<i>[Signature]</i>	RTFD
22. Don Durbin	<i>[Signature]</i>	Medlight
23. Norm Carl Jr.	<i>[Signature]</i>	ECFD
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

911

High Incident Protocol was discussed. Dave handed out copies of the latest document for everyone's review. It was activated during a recent weather event by dispatch with multiple large accidents on the interstate. Dispatch was inundated with many calls. A lengthy discussion relating was held and many concerns were identified. The reason for the plan is to attempt to stay on top of expanding incidents.

DNR

None.

Funeral Protocol

Berrien Springs.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Spotter training on March 10th. Call Rockey for more information. ICS 300 (March 31-2nd 8-4 on the first 2 days with a half day from 8-noon on the 2nd) and 400 (April 14-15th) being offered. Call Ron Bush for more information.

Cert Training being offered with 20 signed up so far.

The Health Department will be moving this week. Dispatch has all their phone numbers as normal contacts may be out of service until the move has been completed.

Trans Canada will be doing water testing this week with orange crap, water and a high pressure. If you hear a hissing sound that might be what it is.

LEPC

Rockey's staff is working toward compliance with Tier 2 reporting as March 1st is the deadline for facilities to report. Presentation on clean-up operations from the EPA on the former AIRECO, Inc. or Michigan Standard Alloy site was performed.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL

Medic 1: none

SMCAS: Frank wished to thank dispatch for getting Cass County up on CAD. Disaster Trailer is still located at 2100 Chicago Trail.

SHERIFF

The Sheriff announced that Lt Toliver would be leaving the Department to serve as the next Chief of Police in Berrien Springs. Other promotions included Captain Robert Boyce (208-7063) and Ops Lt Randy Miller (591-2366). Trent Babcock will be the New LT in Niles Township and Julie Flick will be the New LT in New Buffalo.

RED CROSS

None

HAZ-MAT

None

BCFFA

Niles Township Meeting Lt McAllister presented a presentation on the New Region 5 TRT program. Future programs will host a speaker from the New Carlisle Fire and Niles (Twp-City) insulation Vacuum.

BCYF

Bruce reported on a second night of tractor pulling this year. Also the releasing of the animals has been moved from Saturday evening to Sunday morning. This may require additional Sunday fire staffing. Venders can still leave after midnight.

Safer grant closes on Friday. 63 applications so far nationwide. AFG Slated for September.

TRAINING

March 8 Pre-Practical 8am-2pm.

Certified Firefighters needed to help. Each department is asked to contribute at least on certified member to help out.

MABAS

Much work is going on over on the East Side of the State. 17 division over 300 departments now signed on. Niles Twp went to a 4th alarm on their Box Card. Dave will perform a review of the call to see what we could learn from the response as it related to the dispatching and the Box Card Use.

OLD BUSINESS

Gerry has discovered and issue in the Foam section of the Resource Directory. He asks that everyone reviews it regularly to assure the information is up to date.

Sodus has put extrication equipment in service.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing

Next Meeting March 18th, 830 hours Lincoln Twp Fire Station

RS Larry Lamb