

BERRIEN COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS MEETING MINUTES

Call to order: 1830

Date: January 16, 2019

Moment of Silence for Dan Daniels from Lake Twp.

Old Minutes: Motion to accept December minutes passed. None opposed.

Treasure Report: By Chief Davidson: As of December 31, 2018 Balance \$2369.42. Check to Chief Stover for food for Dispatchers on Christmas. Motion to accept treasurers report passed. None opposed.

Communications/Bills:

Gerry Kabelman asked about Chiefs Association half for the Bibles. Pres. Davidson looked on statement and found where it had been paid.

Committee Reports:

Sheriff: Sheriff Bailey late. Sheriff Bailey stated remodeling going well. Reminded all to be safe this weekend with threat of severe weather coming.

Red Cross- None

911: Dave Agens stated working on NextGen911 continues. Working on updating address data bass for new provider. Text to 911 being updated. Will be able to see device on the map. All still internet based and subjected to commercial internet restrictions. New Buffalo City and Twp. Now has their 800 pagers. Dispatch training continuing. Working on process for VHF mutual aid. There will be a learning curve on this. Be patient. Department Training completed by Denny and Captain DeLaTorre. Department training went well and was well received by department members. 800 pager/radio grant at a halt due to government shutdown. Today was supposed to be the start of review process.

DNR: New Representative present. Benjamin Osterland. Passed out business cards with contact information. Ben started in Allegan office in April 2018. He requested contact list of Fire Chiefs as he plans to start FEPP inspections. Gerry Kabelman gave him an updated list. Discussed DNR FEPP grant and will bring information and forms to February meeting. Stated if interested in any training contact him.

Funeral: With Lake Twp. As of tonight.

Emergency Management: Captain Adams discussed upcoming trainings:

- Pipeline Training on February 05, 2019
- HAZMAT Instructors Refresher on February 13, 2019
- Weather Spotter class on March 13, 2019
- Homeland Security Training on April 03-04, 2019. More information to come.
- Basic PIO training on May 22-23, 2019
- DC Cook EOC drill July 30/Aug 13 and 27.
- DC Cook Post 1 currently has no maned security. Does not mean you can just drive up. Just not currently maned.
- REP101 anytime upon request. Considering offering a drop in class from 1800-2100 at Health Department Conference center. More info to come.
- Validating municipal liasion lists as many are out of date when flooding occurred in February 2018.

EMS:

MedFlight-None

Medic-1-None

S.M.C.A.S.-None

Med Control-Dr Beyer got a grant for cyno kits. One for each ALS unit in county and 1 refill of each. 18-24 month shelf life. Also got glide scopes for ALS units. Working on developing training process for them.

**Berrien County Fire Chiefs Association
Attendance Sheet
January 16th, 2019**

	Print	Signature	Dept.
1.	Mike Davidson	Mike Davidson	CTFD
2.	Janice Fink	Jan F	NDFD
3.	Frank DeLatorre	Frank DeLatorre	S.M.C.A.S.
4.	Mike Mattix	Mike Mattix	NBFR
5.	Dennis Sotter	Dennis Sotter	BC 911
6.	Al DiPiero	Al DiPiero	LAKELAND
7.	Ben Osterland	Ben Osterland	Miligan DNR
8.	Dave Albers	Dave Albers	BCFP/BCSC
9.	Gerry Kabelman	Gerry Kabelman	S.J.C.T.F.D. I
10.	Tommy Bruce	Tommy Bruce	BCDCA
11.	DAVID AGENS	David Agens	BC 911
12.	Scott Wiederwax	Scott Wiederwax	CTFD
13.	Tom Klac	Tom Klac	STCTFD.M.I
14.	Alfred Hoy	Alfred Hoy	Lake Twp
15.	DAN JONES	Dan Jones	WJFD
16.	Bill Wisely	Bill Wisely	Bertrand FD
17.	Rocky Adams	Rocky Adams	BIRCH/CO EMHSO
18.	Bill Long	Bill Long	STFD
19.			
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LEPC- Was cancelled for this month. Working to appoint a new LEPC chair and reviewing BI-Laws.

BCFFA- Bertrand meeting went well. Next meeting February 06, 2019 in Bridgman. January meeting minutes are posted on the web.

Training- Saturday January 18, 2019 at the BCYF memorial building there will be a seminar with President of state chiefs association and state training leader to discuss new training requirements and laws. It will be held 1000-1230. Max of three from each department. This will be a drop-in seminar. No registration required.

This is your chance to have a voice and hear about upcoming changes in training and laws.

Check the training website (bcfftc1.com) for upcoming trainings.

The training council was awarded an additional \$6000.00 for training.

They will be adding additional classes from the training survey with the money.

They are planning additional RIT classes for 2019.

Offering Globe Care class on February 13, 2019. Class will be on firegear cleaning recommendations.

Request that one member from each department attend training committee meetings. Working on developing a conference call for the meeting to increase participation at the meetings.

HS class is going well.

A request was brought up on active shooter training. Captain Adams stated they have people trained to teach just working on a standard curriculum.

Al Debrito stated Lakeland is offering Stop the Bleed training. This training is targeted to teachers/schools and churches. Class is free.

HAZMAT- Team lost one team member and gained two. One from county and one from tribal. Working on getting the two new members trained. Will be doing training with the 51'st Civil Support team and MI National Guard this year.

MITRT-5- None

MABAS- Captain DeLaTorre Thanked all departments for getting the requested information for the end of year report that Director Adkins requested. Only two divisions supplied the end of year report and we were one of them. Thank You. Discussed the revised MABAS BI-LAWS and Response guide. Captain DeLaTorre went over the changes in BI-LAWS Article IV Member in good standing. Discussing the need for this change as many divisions including our are not up to date with requested information/documentation. Captain DeLaTorre stated we still have two departments that need to still sign updated MABAS Agreements from 2016. Captain DeLaTorre will be talking to the two departments that still need to update agreements. Discussed Changes in MABAS Response Plan were a matrix on minimum staffing requirements for out of division responses, and clarification on when to use the red center. Red center is to be contacted when local dispatch exceeds local/neighborhood requests. For requests from Van Buren/Cass/ST Joe.IN/Laport, IN, are to go through BC dispatch. After that requests go to Red Center. Our Current Red Center is Huron Valley Ambulance service.

Old Business: Pres. Davidson discussed election of officers. President Davidson stated he and Sec/Treas Lamb will stay on if no other nominations, however this may very well be last year for both. Pres. Davidson stated BI-LAWS stated the Sec/Treas position is one position. Discussion on Vice-President. Pres. Davidson stated we currently do not have a Vice President. Pres. Davidson looked in BI-LAWS and BI-LAWS state there is to be a Vice-President. Sheriff Bailey nominated Chief Mattix for Vice-President. Chief Mattix accepted nomination. No other nomination were made for Vice-President. Discussion on if no opponets accept Chief Mattix as Vice_president. Motion to accept Chief Mattix as BC Chiefs Vice-President passed. None opposed. No additional nominations were made for President. Motion to keep Chief Dacvidson as BC Chiefs President passed. None opposed. No additional nominations were made for Sec/Treas. Motion to keep Chief Lamb as BC Chiefs Sec/Treas. Passed. None opposed.

New Business: None.

Motion to adjourn

Meeting adjourned 1943hrs

Next meeting 0830hrs February 20, 2019.

Minutes submitted by Captain DeLaTorre