



BERRIEN FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

Meeting 4-17-19

Called to order by Chief Davidson at 840 hours

ATTENDANCE: Quorum was reviewed and determined we were has one.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Chief Lamb reported the Checking remained at \$2,211.76. Motion, 2nd, all in favor.

MINUTES – Minutes from 3-20-19 were presented and approved.

Berrien County Fire Chiefs Association
Attendance Sheet
April 17th, 2019

Print	Signature	Dept.
Mike Davidson	Mike Davidson	CTFD
Al D'Amico	Al D'Amico	LAKELAND
Dennis Sexton	Dennis Sexton	B.C.S.I.
Mike Matthei	Mike Matthei	NBFR
Larry Lamb	Larry Lamb	NFD
Geary Kabe Iman	Geary Kabe Iman	S.J.C.T.F.P.1
William Borch	William Borch	MEDIC 1
David Owens	David Owens	B.C.911
Jeremy Connell	Jeremy Connell	STOAS
Gary Brovold	Gary Brovold	NIFB
Dan Jones	Dan Jones	WFD
Fred DeGore	Fred DeGore	EMC.B.S.
Brandon Chiarello	Brandon Chiarello	LIFD
Tia Jesman	Tia Jesman	Buchanan Twp.

COMMUNICATIONS / BILLS –

Chief Brandon Chiarello announced as Lincoln Township Fire's New Chief of Department.

PRESENTATION – Dan Carrick from State Senator Kim LaSata's Office attended the meeting. Spoke to the group and offered to help where they could.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SHERIFF-

911 – Preventive Maintenance continues on the towers. Sawyer and St. Joe towers still have a few tower climbs left to go. Waiting for better weather. Ne 911 Systems work ongoing. National Tele communicators week- County Commission will be honoring dispatchers with 911 Board President Jack Fisher.

CAD Upgrade search ongoing.

Radio Grant discussed. Still waiting for peer review. If no success this year plan B will have to be developed.

Chief Brovold asked about the Tone no Voice issues. Dave discussed the difficulty troubleshooting. A central contact point was discussed to allow all occurrences to be tracked. Dave can't take responsibility for the other dispatch centers. Gary will reach out to the other dispatch centers. Email all occurrences, Date Time Etc. to Dave.

Dave has two new dispatchers ready to go. HIP was discussed from last weekend. 248 calls in an hour. HIP allows them to stop lein processing too. Discussion relating to radioing that stations are manned was discussed.

DNR. None

RED CROSS- None.

Funeral Protocol -. None

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/LEPC.

LEPC discussed the need to develop objectives relating to Hazardous Material Incident Response or prevention. One example discussed was a survey of Departmental Haz Mat Training. Survey was presented.

TRAINING-..Mike Mattix discussed company officer classes on June 6 thru the end of July on smoke. Charging cost for books. .

HazMat-.. None

BCFA – Denny attended the Buchanan Twp Meeting. The Chicken was good. Chikaming is hosting on May 1st. AEP Program was beneficial. MAKE SURE WHEN CALLING IN A DOWN WIRE THAT YOU TELL THEIR DISPATCH THAT it's a C-A-W to speed up response. AEP Unpublished Emergency Number is 888-237-2221

EMS- MEDIC 1-None

SMCAS- None

MED CONTROL:

LAKELAND- Construction Egress Changing at Lakeland due to construction.

Mi-TRT-5-Team is growing with almost 20 new trained members. Use the team or loose it.

MABAS-. New updated Cards are needed. Frank discussed new change on Mabas comm channels. Officers can now have C1&2. UP is coming on line. Member's site is going well. Having issue with letter size in the logo. They are working with BLUE CARD PROGRAM to standardize Communications and IC.

OLD BUSINESS -. None

NEW BUSINESS – Gerry made changes to the website. He is looking for departments Logo to add. He also discussed an addition of ill or injured firefighters. Fish Fry's, Benefits Etc. He would also like photos of truck compartments.

Gerry also presented a joint project of a Challenge coin for both Chiefs and Firefighters. All in favor of funding half of the purchase not to exceed \$360 with the understanding that proceeds would come back.

Consolidation in Bridgman, Lake and Baroda being discussed.

Motion of Adjournment 0940. Next meeting will be on May 15 at 1830 hrs.

RS Larry Lamb