



BERRIEN COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION



Call to Order: 0831

Date: 2022.10.19

Old minutes: Old minutes emailed out. Motion to accept old minutes by Chief Chiarello and seconded by Chief Myers. Motion passed. None opposed.

Treasurer's Report: None

Communications/Bills: None

New Chief/Visitor: Chad Maar and Brian Dwan from SJCT #2

MAEP Presentation by Lisa Kuntz, of the Berrien Conservation District. Contact info: 269-471-9111, lisa.kuntz@macd.org

Committee Report: None

Sheriff: None

Red Cross: None

Great Lakes Drone: 128 calls for service this year, 25 in Berrien County. Participated in two MABAS drills. Activated but not deployed for incident in Menominee. Assisted with drone interception during the international race at Red Bud. Working on expanding services to Allegan and Barry Counties.

Dispatch/911: **REMINDER VHF SIMULCAST WILL BE DISCOMMISSIONED END OF THIS YEAR.**

Dispatch full staffing level is 33 persons. They currently are at 20. With 7 in training which leaves 6 openings. Send all communications to both Caitlin and Jennifer to ensure timely responses. The State is roughly at a 52 day wait time for 800 Mhz programming. Fire Chiefs asked about and offered their assistance with getting box cards at least made available in binders at dispatch. Buchanan radio tower and dispatch center is progressing. Estimated that the tower portion of the project could be completed next fall. The Berrien County to IN dispatch counsels have arrived.

DNR: None

Funeral: Berrien Springs

Emergency Management: None

EMS: None

Medic-1: Jason Wiley is handling both administration and operations until further notice

S.M.C.A.S.: None

Med Flight: None

Med Control: None

LEPC: None

BCFA: Monthly meeting included MedFlight demonstration. Smoke detectors have been ordered. Fans are available and will be dropped off from ServPro. The upcoming meeting in November will be at Sister Lakes FD. December meeting in Baroda will include Auctions and Elections. Coins are available. Remember to provide announcements to Gerry so they can be placed on the website.

Training: BHDPS hosting a basement firefighting tactics course on October 26th. BHDPS Fire Officer II and Firefighter academy course have started.

HazMat: None

MITRT5: None

MABAS: None

Old Business: None

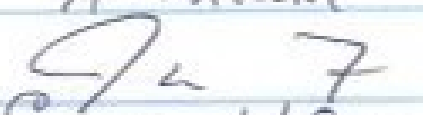
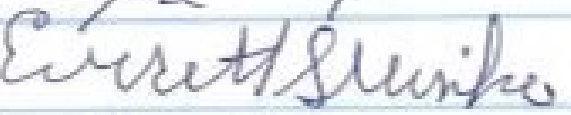







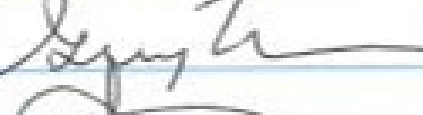
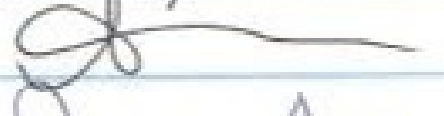




New Business: None

Next Meeting: 0830 hrs November 16th, 2022 at Lincoln Township Fire Station

Adjourn: 0913 hrs. Motioned by Chief Jesswein and seconded by Fire Marshal Kazmierzak

Sign In Sheet

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NAME	Signature	DEPT
JAMIE FLICK		WBTFD
EVERETT STEINKE		STFD
Les Rosauer		RTFD
Jason Wiley		Medical
Brandi Chiavelli		Lineck
Bin Kaisey		Bertrand
Brian Kazmierzak		BHDPS
Ben Dvor		SITFD #2
Gerry Kabeckman		SJCTFD #1
Ashley Munso		CalDC
JENNIFER FUCH		BCPSC 1911
Jeremy Connel		SSDPS
Allen Weick		Chickaming
Dale MYERS		BSOFD
Tim Jesswein		Bulman/Twp/Viles Twp