

BERRIEN COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION
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Wednesday, March 5, 2014

Covert Fire Department

Meeting was called to order at 1921 hours by President Rob Gruener.

Roll call of officers indicated officers present, President Rob Gruener, 1st Vice Denny Sexton, and 2nd Vice President Mike Moran. Sec/Treasurer Bill Long absent.

Roll call of departments indicated 11 departments represented with 19 members present.

Copies of the February minutes were distributed.

Donations for dinner were \$45. No 50/50 due to lack of interest.

Treasurer's report was not presented.

There were no bills presented for payment

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A card of thanks was received from Doug Bell and Family. A fellowship will be held on March 14th to thanks everyone for their support. Details posted on web

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

911 Committee: Rich Knuth-

- Nothing

Emergency Management: Rocky Adams-

- Rocky reported that meetings will be held concerning Palisades drills.
- ICS 300 will be held 3/11 and 3/12. ICS 400 4/1 and 4/2.
- 5/22-5/25 will be the PGA golf tournament at Harbor Shores.
- Lincoln Twp. Fire hosted a bomb awareness program, which is available for other area departments. Contact Berrien County Sheriff's Dept. for more details
- Lockdown drills have been held at 29 school sites thus far with the Sheriff's Dept.
- Ice and snow melting has caused potential flooding issues. More details if any flooding occurs

DNR:

- None

Chief's Association: Mike Davidson-

- 16 departments in Berrien County are using Active 911 phone apps. Helicopter protocols will be coming soon.

Dispatch: Rocky Adams -

- Ken from Medflight discussed issues with communication between scenes and helicopters.

Training Committee: -

- Help is requested on Saturday the 8th at 0800 at BSOTFD for help with practicals.

Resource Directory/Webmaster: Gerry Kabelman-

Gerry reminded everyone to get him any new updates

HazMat: Rocky Adams-

- One incident to report in St. Joseph City for a leak involving drain cleaner.

Sherriff: Rock Adams for Sheriff Bailey-

- Rocky reported that the Sheriff thanks everyone for their help and continued support.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Audit was completed with no issues found. Motion to pay Secretary Treasurer Bill Long from Denny Sexton, supported by Denny Graham. Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

- Bertrand Fire is hosting "Courage to Be Safe" Saturday at 0800

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Host Chief Mark Cleveland thanked everyone for coming.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rocky Adams with support from Denny Graham. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2115 hours following training by Mark Cleveland on the Michigan Firefighter's Training Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Moran

**The next meeting will be held on April 2nd, 2014
At Lake Twp. Hall with D.C. Cook Fire Department
Dinner will be at 1830 hours, followed by the meeting at 1930 hours**