

Oneida County Fire Chief's & Emergency Services Meeting

Wednesday, March 11th, 2015

Call Meeting to Order: Meeting called to order at 18:05 at the Pine Lake Fire Department

In Attendance:

Bart Tegen (Stella Fire)	Jason Goeldner (Sugar Camp Fire)
Sherri Congleton (Oneida Dispatch)	Wayne Sparks (Pelican Lake Fire)
Mark Fetzner (Newbold Fire)	Zane Hagstrom (WPS)
Brian Gehrig (Pine Lake Fire)	Dana Baumgartner (Nicolet College)
Phil Puestow (DNR/Nokomis Fire)	Mike Braun (Pine Lake)
Tom Waydick (Rhineland Fire)	Ryan Larsen (Pine Lake)
Wayne Kinnally (Nokomis Fire)	Nichole Massignan (Minocqua Dispatch)
Doug Rehm (Lake Tomahawk Fire)	John Gillen (DNR)
Steve Siefert (Newbold Fire)	

Review and Approve Minutes from Last Meeting: Motion by Jason Goeldner, second by Waydick to approve the Meeting Minutes of January 14th, 2015. Motion Passed.

Review and Approve Treasurer's Report: Larry Mathein not present, report presented by Tegen on his behalf:

Treasurer's Report as follows:

Last Report All Accounts were:	\$2,058.78
Deposit (dues received)	\$75.00
Current balance:	\$2,133.78

Dues were collected by the following agencies that directly service the county as discussed when dues for this past year were set. These would be the "voting members": Cassian Fire, Crescent Fire/First Responders, Hazelhurst Fire, Lake Tomahawk Fire, Little Rice Fire/First Responders, Minocqua Fire/First Responders, Monico Fire/First Responders, Newbold Fire/First Responders, Nokomis Fire/First Responders, Pelican Fire/First Responders, Pine Lake Fire/First Responders, Stella Fire/First Responders, Sugar Camp Fire, Three Lakes Fire, Woodruff Fire, Woodboro First Responders, Fire District Alpha, Rhineland Fire, Willow Fire/First Responders, Medical Examiner, Sheriff/Emergency Management

Motion by: Waydick, second by Siefert to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion Passed.

Committee Reports

Communications/Dispatch: Sherri Congleton

- Sherri introduced Nicole Massignan/Minocqua Dispatch
- Have been reviewing severe weather procedures/program. Currently for an initial severe thunderstorm/tornado/flood watch between 10:00 pm and 6:00 am they do not alert all Fire Departments. Seeking input if that should be changed or stay the same. The group agrees this process should remain unchanged.
- Siren testing will begin again in April
- Reminder on E-sponder information- please notify Dawn with any changes and keep your rosters up to date
- Dispatch personnel update: 3 vacancies, offers have been extended for all 3 positions, awaiting background checks and clearance information before any absolute decisions.
- Minocqua has a new part time dispatcher that will be starting next Monday
- Question brought forward about the page-to-text system- some texts are detailed and some are not? Sherri again explained the process that is dependent on how busy the dispatchers are at time of initial call and what they can get entered without causing delays. They are working to improve on this issue, and Sherri reminds all to notify her if having issues, with as many details of the call/time/location/responder so that she can follow up.
- Request that Dana shares Sherri's email address with this group

Sheriff's Department: Sherri Congleton

- Announcement that Lloyd Gauthier and Terri Hook have both been promoted to Captains. Congratulations to both

Oneida County Dive Team: No Report

Oneida County EMS: Sherri Congleton

- Will be having a meeting in two weeks to discuss changing the roaming patterns of Oneida County Ambulances, stay tuned for more details

LEPC: Sherri Congleton

- Next meeting will be held on 6/10/15 at 1:00pm, Law Enforcement Center

Emergency Management: Sherri Congleton

- Ken is unable to attend, as he is at the Emergency Management Governor's Conference

DNR: John Gillen

- They have now gone to 7 day scheduling
- Many new faces, so do not hesitate to ask who they are
- Grant Deadline is fast approaching- 4/15/15. Please be sure these are all completed and submitted- there are no exceptions and many items are currently out of stock, so please be patient
- DNR has an interim grant manager- Jennifer Fireherm 608-266-1967
- Reminder that the website is updated daily at 11 am, so you can check daily on burning permits
- DNR will continue to email staffing plans and weather updates to Chiefs daily- please let John know if you have changes to be made and he will forward to their dispatch
- Outdoor Burning Regulations for Oneida County and Fire Wardens Handout (attached)
- John states they can do a "1 hour refresher" on Wildland if interested, contact him at jeanmichel.gillen@wisconsin.gov

Nicolet College: Dana Baumgartner

- Update on current classes being offered, both Fire and EMS
- Additional section of HazMat Ops to be offered in Lake Tomahawk in April- 4/3, 4/5, 4/20, 4/22
- Will be holding a Learn thru Burn in Elcho on 3/14 and 3/21- Registration information handed out, be sure to contact the Welcome Center to sign up so we have an accurate number
- Will be looking to schedule a FireFighter II class this fall, have interested people contact Dana
- Looking for feedback on what we can do to serve you better- ??

WPS: Zane Hagstrom

- Reminder that March is when storm season starts
- They are available to come to your location and do 1st Responder and Refresher trainings on safety- please contact Zane if you are interested

Oneida County Firefighters: No Report Available

MABAS: Wayne Kinnally

- They will be looking to redo all cards this coming year
- Committee is working on uniformity from service to service and communications
- They are looking into a cloud based storage system to help with communications, may have samples of cards/educational materials, etc.
- Reports that the system is currently working well, dispatch and responders are adjusting to its use
- Next meeting will be 4/8 in Lake Tomahawk

Recruitment Committee: No Report

Old Business:

- Contact and email list sent around for updating. See attached.

New Business:

- Discussion on dues and voting rights. It is noted that Tomahawk Fire is not on the list, several members feel they should be. Agreed. Bart will ask Larry to follow up on this
- Discussion on cooperation with Sheriff's Department- feedback is that it is good
- Monico Fire Dept. is hosting a Learn through Burn on 4/25 at 8:00am- Contact Dustin or Bart if you are interested in this
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Set Next Meeting Location, Agenda Items and Date:

- Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 13th at 6:00 pm, Rhinelander Fire Department will host

Adjourn: Motion by Goeldner, second by Seifert. Motion Passed, meeting adjourned at 19:00.