

Oneida County Fire Chiefs & Emergency Services Association

Wednesday, April 13th, 2005 at the Hideaway Lodge in Lake Tomahawk

- The meeting was called to order by Brian Gehrig, President.
- The minutes from the previous meeting were discussed. Motion made by Ed Tadych and seconded by Mike Kortenhof to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.
- Treasurer's report given: Checking account has a balance of \$90.42.
Savings account has a balance of \$425.00.
Purchases: \$37.00 for stamps.

Motion made by Tom Waydick and seconded by Ken Kortenhof to accept the treasurer's report as stated. Motion carried.

- Committee/Organization Reports:

Communications -

Meeting was held on the morning of April 13th.

Tornado awareness will be held on Thursday, April 21 with the all call advisory page done at 1300 hours for the tornado watch and another page done at 1330 hours for the tornado warning.

Sheriffs Department -

Jeff Hoffmann was introduced at the new sheriff.

The Cell 911 system was discussed.

DNR -

No report

LEPC -

The next meeting was held on Wednesday, April 20th.

They will be discussing the justification of the Hazmat Team billing.

Nicolet College -

Lynn Larsen is the new head of instruction for the fire service training.

Phone number for Lynn is 365-4534

The 2nd instructor will be hired this month.

Lynn is looking for input on training thru Nicolet College.

Mike Kortenhof has been assigned to the advisory committee for the fire service training.

Entry level FF1 classes are in session right now with Certified FF1 to be in session in the fall in Three Lakes.

The certified FF1 exam will be held on April 16th at 1000 hours.

The certified FF2 exam will be held on April 16th at 0800 hours.

Inconsistent mailings of the newsletter were discussed. Anyone wishing to receive the newsletter or haven't been receiving it should contact Lisa McKinney at 365-4533.

OCFFA -

The next meeting for the Oneida County Firefighters Association will be held on April 26th at Crescent Fire Department at 1830 hours. Training will be on the Fire Safety House.

Wisconsin Public Service -

The call in process for after hour's emergency workers has been changed. For now on, all electric and gas emergency workers will be dispatched through the Rhinelander and Minocqua offices.

Much discussion was done concerning the time frame for waiting for a lineman to show up; i.e.: The outside townships like Three Lakes, Lake Tomahawk, etc.

The lead man for WPS in our area will be asked to attend the joint chiefs meeting next month.

EMS -

Michael Fraley spoke about the regional protocols that are being written up for the four Ministry Health Care systems in our area - St. Mary's, Sacred Heart, Howard Young and Eagle River. This will get all EMS systems in our area on the same page when it comes to procedures.

Emergency Management -

The tornado spotter class will be held at the Sugar Camp Fire Department on Thursday, April 28th at 1830 hours.

The Homeland Security Grant was discussed - has a June 1st deadline.

The NIMS Training system was discussed -

Departments should get the on line 700 course done as soon as possible.

Once this is completed, the townships must adopt an ordinance for this.

This NIMS training system completion must be done to qualify for future FEMA grants.

All of this information is further explained on the FEMA website.

The box alarm system was also discussed. To use this system, the county must be state licensed? There will be a presentation on this system at the joint meeting with Vilas County Chiefs.

Dave Bruffet? of the Department of Commerce would like to make a presentation to the chiefs about the 2% dues system.

The survey for communications was well accepted among the area fire departments with many suggestions made at the recent meeting.

The grant has been sent in for the wireless E911 system.

- Old Business:

There was discussion about the changes to the bylaws which were sent to all the chiefs with last month's minutes.

Motion was made to accept the bylaw changes by Doug Rehm and seconded by Bill Hoffmann. Motion carried.

Dave Hollands was appointed as Vice President of the Oneida County Fire Chiefs and Emergency Services Association. Congratulations Dave!!!

- New Business:

Mike Kortenhof introduced Jeremy Millard as the new fire chief of Sugar Camp Fire Department.

Nicolet College has sent in all paperwork to be an approved training facility for the collapse rescue training.

WRLO will be holding a boat raffle again this summer. You can call the radio station if interested in selling raffle tickets.

- Motion was made by Mike Kortenhof and seconded by Doug Rehm to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Corinne Hoffmann

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 11th at the White Stag in Sugar Camp. This is a joint meeting with the Vilas County Chiefs Association.