

# Oneida County Fire Chief's And Emergency Service Association

Brian Gehrig – President

Dave Holland's - Vice President/Treasure

Tom White- Secretary

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Meeting was held on September 12, 2007 at the Holiday Acers Resort at 8:11 pm.

## Note

Correction to minutes from May 5, 2007 meeting. There was an error made on the treasures report. It was noted in the minutes that the checking account has \$4067.87. The correct amount is \$467.87.

**Approval of minutes-** From May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 meeting minutes with the correction regarding the treasure's report. Motion was made and 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept the minutes from the last meeting with correction.- Carried

**Report from Treasure-** Saving account is 634.54 Checking is \$361.87. Motion made and 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept the report as read - Carried

## **Committee's**

**Communications-**Ken K. stated that the mapping system is now up and running. When a call comes into the 911 center it will also show up on a map. Hopefully the map can be forwarded on to the responding parties.

There is still an issue of dispatch not setting off pagers twice for a call. All chiefs felt that they want two pages for a call. Even if the 1<sup>st</sup> page is acknowledged they still want the second page.

Doug from Lake Tomahawk would like to know if anyone is having problems with the Motorola Minitor IV pagers. Several departments in attendance stated that they were having problems with the soldier joint behind the clip. It did not matter if the individuals were using a case or not. He also stated that the turn around on getting the pagers fixed was long. The problem on repair is because many of the dealers are sending them back to Motorola to be fixed.

Ken K. did a brief summery of the radio upgraded and the locations for the new repeater towers in the county and which towers were going to be replaced, Once the project is completed there will be a new tower at the Sheriffs Dept (Replace Lake Julia Site) a tower at Nokomis Fire (replace Cassian site) and also repeaters at Lake Tomahawk, Monico, Minocqua, Sugar Camp and Willow. Each site will have a Law 1 & 2 and an EMR 1 & 2 repeater. We are still on track to have it operational by the end of the year 2007.

**Sheriff Department-** Nothing to report. Along with the DNR & LEPC

**Nicolet Collage-** Chris Bartelt is a new instructor at the collage. Chris talked about the newsletters coming out late, this should be corrected and they should be out soon. A request was made from the floor for a class on communications with respect to the different radio channels and their recommended uses.

**WPS-** There were several bad storms this year in other parts of the state. WPS Dispatch has been trying it's best to let departments know how long it takes to get a crew to the location.

**OCFA-** The tow vehicle should be painted here within the next couple of weeks. The summer picnic had very good food but there was a low turnout.

**EMS-** Doug Douchac is the ambulance manager for SMH - Rhinelander and Tomahawk. Kevin S. has been appointed coordinator for ambulance services in Oneida County. Reminder if you have any questions please feel free to contact Kevin.

**EMERGENCY MANGAMENT-** The federal government deadline for NIMS compliance reporting will be September 30, 2007. The NIMS online class can be accessed via the emergency management website. It was stated that with new people coming on the departments that a department will never be 100% compliant. If your department has not done the NIMS, your department could loose grant money. If you need more information contact Ken K. A suggestion was made to do a NIMS 200-800 class, it would be two night from 6:00pm-10:00pm. Date not sure, but need to get 20 people to show up.

Ken has an ID making machine, if your department would like to have an ID done for your membership. A question was brought up as to what information can be on the badge. Ken will do some research and report back. If interested contract Emergency Management at 361-5167.

**MABAS-** Wayne K. reported that Division 114 for Oneida County was established. The committee had meet and discussed the implementation. It was noted that MABAS will have to be adopted on the town / city level by ordinance.

**OLD BUSINESS-** The dive team was discussed. Oneida County Sheriff Dept. will be interviewing for Dive Team Leader within the next few weeks. Once the dive team leader is picked then they will go through the process of picking the rest of the team,

**NEW BUSINESS-** A discussion was held about going back to monthly meeting instead of every other month. It was noted that in the past the meetings were getting redundant. Some felt, with all of the information that is coming forward on the radio updates and MABAS that they were missing to much vital information. The meetings would not have to be dinner meeting and that a fire department could host it. All felt that if an extra meeting was required or requested that one could be scheduled. The attendees felt that with the information that is needed on MABAS implementation that an October meeting should be set up. Wayne Kinnally will do a presentation on MABAS implementation at the October meeting.

**OUR NEXT MEETING IS  
OCTOBER 10, 2007 AT 6:00PM  
LOCATION IS AT PELICAN FIRE DEPARTMENT ON COUNTY HIGHWAY P EAST  
THIS WILL BE A NON DINNER MEETING. BUT WILL HAVE SNACKS**

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