

Oneida County Fire Chief's And Emergency Service Association

Brian Gehrig – President

Dave Holland's - Vice President/Treasure

Tom White- Secretary

Meeting was held on November 14, 2007 at Hideaway Resort at 8:25 PM

Approval of minutes- From October 10, 2007 meeting. Motion was made and 2nd to accept the minutes – Motion carried.

Report of Treasure's- None

Committee's

WPS- Virgil Davis is retiring from WPS and Michael Cleven is going to replace him. .

Sheriff Department

Dan Hess asked if there were any comments or questions regarding dispatch. There were a few comments that departments will get pages and there will be no voice. This was a programming issue and should not continue. It was also stated that some departments have had to reset the squelch on their pagers to correct this problem.

Also a reminder that when your department arrives on the scene to switch channels to clear off of the dispatch channel..

Question was asked that once the system is running if we will still be able to hear Barron County. And the answer was no.

DNR- The Grants have been awarded, John G. advise that the departments should order their item ASAP to avoid any delays, especially if you are ordering from the LeMay center. If you have any questions feel free to contact John or Phil.

If your department is willing to do a wild land fire training during the winter months please contact John so it can be set up to get the training in prior to fire season. Zone Boss training is January 15, 2008 and a notice will be sent out to interested parties. If interested in sponsoring a class or attending one, please contact John at the DNR.

LEPC- Last meeting we reviewed members for the HazMat team. It was also discussed to hold meeting Twice a year.

College- None

EMS- Doug is getting acquainted with the different hospitals. Kevin enjoys working with him. If there are any questions please feel free to contact Kevin at SMH at 361-2718 or Doug .

Emergency Management- The identification card for fire departments can still be done. Departments will need to fill out the forms and have them turn in with the photos of their members. The forms can now be down loaded on Emergency Managements website. There is no cost for the ID cards.

Ken talked about the towers going up in the area. Towers should all be up and equipment mounted by early 2008. As we get closer to implementing the new frequencies the fire departments will be provided with a change over plan so that everyone can reprogram their

radios. If your department needs to have reprogramming done please contact Ken or if you have any questions

The Three Lakes Fire Department will be hosting a "Basic Fire Investigation Class". This class will be taught by Michelle Orzech. If your department is interested please contact Michelle at (920) 544-1762 or e-mail her at firefighter0852@yahoo.com.

MABAS- Please have your township review and sign the agreement as soon as possible. The agreement has been placed on disk so that you can present this to your town for approval. Wayne K. is planning on attending the Wisconsin MAVAS-Conference sometime in December. If you have any questions you can contact MAVAS. Wisconsin.org

Dive Team - Bill Nichols the Oneida County dive team leader was to be here at the meeting tonight to talk about setting up training for the area. We will try to get them to come to the next meeting.

New Business- Terry Williams introduced Tom Waydick Jr as the new Assistant Chief for the Rhinelander Fire Department effective January 2008. Terry also advised the association that Rhinelander Fire Department no longer handles the scheduling of fire safety house. That is now handled through Monty Timm as there were issues regarding the conditions of the fire safety house.

Monty Timm was concerned that the fire safety house was being returned and that the condition checks were not being performed and that different departments were finding damage or dirty conditions. There were comments regarding this matter and who was responsible for the trailers use and maintenance. It was stated that it was the responsibility of the Oneida County Fire Fighters association and that if a department has any concerns about it use, to attend the OCFE meeting. Their next meeting will be January 22, 2008 at the Pelican Fire department on County P.

Motion was made in second and it carried to adjourn at 9:14 PM.

**The next meeting will be January 09, 2008 7:00pm
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Tom White
Secretary