

# Stephenson County Fire Chiefs Association Inc.

## MABAS Division 17

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### Minutes from June 1, 2022

The monthly meeting of MABAS Division 17 was called to order by President Ludeking at 1930 hrs @ Winslow Fire.

A motion to accept the Minutes from the May meeting was approved. The Treasurers report from May was also approved.

#### Committees

- **Training:**
  - Local classes were listed
- **Communications/Dispatch:**
  - Mutual Aid call numbers for May (edited from meeting).
    - 35 total calls, 22 EMS and 1 Fire from within the Division, 10 EMS and 2 Fire from outside the Division.
- **TRT:**
  - Confined Space training was held @ Central on May 21. During that time some equipment issues were noticed. The battery & battery tender were both bad on the Husqvarna Hydraulic Power unit (replaced), the Hurst Battery Combi-tool was also dead (it was repaired by Ed Koelling with spare parts. The unit is obsolete), The small Inverter Generator would not start (repairs are starting with a new primer bulb), the QRae 4-gas monitors are also obsolete and needing replacement (possible Compeer grant).
- **Hazmat:**
  - Currently 18 Deployable members & 1 on training roster.
  - They have training scheduled this month.
- **Maintenance:**
  - The Tent trailer is scheduled PM on June 8.
  - The Break-Away batteries for trailers are in and will be installed soon.

#### **Represented Departments**

Cedarville Fire  
Dakota Fire  
Davis Fire  
Freeport Fire

Freeport Rural Fire  
German Valley Fire  
Lena Fire

Orangeville Fire  
Pearl City Fire  
Rock City Fire  
Winslow Fire

## **Old Business**

- No new info...Chief Bruning is working on the program and scheduling personnel for the County Fair. Dates are July 26-30, shifts 1100-1630hr & 1630-2100hr. Programs planned: Touch a Truck, Smoke House, Puppet Show, Extrication Demo, Equipment demo/tours, Nozzle targets.
- The Division WEX Fuel cards are now working properly. The names and access codes associated with the cards will be updated soon.
- The asking price of the Support trailer was discussed. Davis Fire is interested in it for the right price. The group decided to ask \$3,500 and Davis will be notified.
- Departments were reminded to update their CIMS accounts to 3.0. If you had not done the update in the past 5 months your account is not active. Go in and update or create a new account. Instructions have been sent out a couple times. Chiefs must have current accounts to be able to approve their personnel. Contact Secretary Korte for assistance.
- The status of the FFD ladder trucks was discussed. They are both still OOS waiting repairs so they will not be available for Mutual Aid.
- Chief Ludeking discussed EMS staffing. Tri-District has not renewed their contract with ATS and their Board will be overseeing the staffing. Leamon's Amb has also been contracted to respond to all of Pearl City's Amb calls.

## **New Business**

- The Division Board was contacted by Red Center about the patient transport capabilities of our MABAS UTV. We responded that it does have that capability. We are not sure of the reason for the inquiry.
- Chad Weber announced leadership changes happening at Dakota Fire. Chris Wells has assumed the role of Fire Chief and Chad Webber is the Deputy Chief.
- Kerry Dinges announced that he and Greg Munda are working part-time with the Stephenson County EMA office with Communications and Storm Spotting. They are expecting to have less spotters actually in the field and using the Weather Radios.
- The Freeport Air Show is scheduled again this year, Sept 17. More details are expected throughout the summer.

## **Announcements:**

- There are still openings for the Annual Lena Fire Open Golf Outing, June 4 , 0900hr @ Wolf Hollow. Cost: \$75/golfer, \$20 Cart Sponsor, \$50 Beverage Cart Sponsor, \$100 Hole Sponsor or Putting Contest Sponsor or \$250 for Chief Level Package. Contact Chief Strong.
- Lena Fire LFD Fest. July 16 @ Rafters. Demonstrations, Kids activities, Car-Truck-Semi-UTV show, Music, Raffles, Food, Drinks.

The meeting adjourned @ 2010hr.

Our next meeting will be held August 3 @ Rock City Fire. Dinner details TBA.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tom Korte, Secretary

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