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MABAS Division 17

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Minutes from September 6, 2023

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

Guest:

- Mark Mannino from the Northwest Illinois Airshow gave an update of the event coming up next weekend. He said the participation and advanced ticket sales are significantly higher than last year at this time. He said that this is now the only Airshow in the area after Rockford & Janesville stopped hosting. They are looking for a few select volunteers to help staff Security positions, Display Supervisors and shuttle drivers. More info at <https://www.nwilairshow.com/>

A motion to accept the Minutes from the August meeting was approved. The Treasurer report for August was also approved.

Committees

- **Training:**
 - Local classes were listed.
 - Anyone interested in scheduling the Division Smokehouse for this fall should contact Freeport Fire Marshal Broshous.
- **Communications/Dispatch:**
 - Mutual Aid call numbers for August:
 - 23 total calls, 13 EMS & 1 Fire from within the Division and 3 EMS & 6 Fire from outside the Division.
- **TRT:**
 - There are currently no discussions about the merging of TRT rosters. The Division team will continue to operate as they have in the past. Any training will continue to be free but there will not be any reimbursements from MABAS.

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

- **Hazmat:**
 - They have received all payments from Carroll FS & Lake Summerset and checks have been issued to the appropriate Departments.
- **Maintenance:**
 - The Light Tower is getting the battery replaced. It was about 4 years old.
 - The 4 SCBA Cylinders were Hydro Tested in August.
 - Both F550's are due for annual service this fall. The 2007 single cab has a fluid leak that will be examined at that time.

Old Business

- An informational meeting was held with Elite Ambulance, German Valley Fire, Freeport Rural Amb & FHN. Elite has been requested by FHN for outgoing transfers and they are exploring staffing ambulances in the Division. More details in the future.
- All of the Departments in the Division have signed the new MABAS Agreement. There is one Dept that needs to send additional pages to complete their packet.
- The Division participation at the Airshow was reviewed. There will be a Briefing Friday @ 1700hrs and participating apparatus must be on site Saturday by 0930hr.

New Business

- There was no new business brought up.

Announcements:

- Rock City Fire Fish Boil, Sept 16, 1630-1930hr
- Cedarville Fire Feather Party, Sept 23
- Lena Fire is holding a Gun & 50/50 Raffle, Sept 30

The meeting adjourned @ 2010hr.

Our next scheduled meeting will be held October 4 @ Dakota Fire.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tom Korte, Secretary

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