

**Genesee County Association of Fire Chief's**  
Meeting Minutes  
**August 18, 2021**  
Held at the Davison-Richfield Fire Department

- I. **Call to Order by the President Campbell at 19:01.**
- II. **Invocation**
- III. **Secretary's Report:**
  - a. **ACTION ITEM.** Motion to approve the meeting minutes of the June 2021 meeting as distributed.
    - i. **Moved By: Blight**
    - ii. **Supported: Herman**
    - iii. **Discussion: None**
    - iv. **Voice vote taken. PASSED**
- IV. **Financial Report:**
  - a. **ACTION ITEM.** Motion to approve the financial reports as distributed.
    - i. **Moved By: Wilkinson**
    - ii. **Supported: Herman**
    - iii. **Discussion: None**
    - iv. **Voice vote taken. PASSED**
  - b. **ACTION ITEM.** Motion to approve invoice for the 2021 Memorial Service Piper in the amount of \$250.00.
    - i. **Moved By: Wilkinson**
    - ii. **Supported: Young**
    - iii. **Discussion: None**
    - iv. **Voice vote taken. PASSED**
  - c. **HAZMAT Team Expenditures**
    - i. None
- V. **Host Department: Davison-Richfield Fire Department**
- VI. **Presentations (Presentations are to be 15 minutes of less):**
  - a. Medstar (Kolby Miller)
    - i. Brief presentation and took questions.
- VII. **Communications:**
  - a. Sustaining Members in Attendance
- VIII. **Reports from Standing Committees:**

*911 Advisory Committee (Ryan Volz):*

  - a. Nothing to report.
  - b. Tyler/New Word – Mobile.
    1. Chief Vogt reports he hosted a Zoom meeting with all committee members to bring them up to speed on the project. The first true hands on interaction with the fire committee and the Tyler team will not take place until 2022.

*Coordination (James Young):*

  - a. No activations.

- b. Spoke with Chief Barton reference 2021 Devil's Night Deployment. He is requesting help and Chief Young will be sending out emails shortly.

**EMS (Bob Cairnduff):**

- a. Genesee County 911 is having a meeting on September 14, 2021 to discuss EMS service agreements. Every department should have a representative at that meeting to voice their concerns.
- b. The core competency required training is again being enforced. You can stay on your normal schedule if you do it as a department. All personnel will be required to update their CPR certification and core competency requirements. This was being waived during COVID.
- c. Make sure to give feedback to Bruce on the MFR run form changes.
- d. Subcommittee has not met, waiting on the 911 decision.

**Firefighter of the Year (Bob Cairnduff):**

- a. Remember you can submit nominations anytime throughout the year. Forms are on the website. Please don't wait. Submit while the event is fresh in your mind.

**Firefighter Memorial (Jeff Holbin):**

- a. Everything is set for the memorial. Reminder that the date for the service is September 11<sup>th</sup> 2021. Line up for apparatus is at 09:30 and the memorial begins at 10:00.
- b. Please see attachment for handout to all department chiefs.
- c. Side note I know that with it being on the 11<sup>th</sup> a lot of other dept. will possible have stuff going on at their own station. I would really like to ask if every dept. could send at least 1 truck with people in remembrance of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our fallen brothers.

**HAZMAT Team (Ed Blight):**

- a. Responded to Gaines Township for a hydraulic oil spill.

**Honor Guard (Rich Cummings):**

- a. No activity.
- b. One application received for a new team member.

**Local Emergency Planning (Bob Cairnduff):**

- a. Nothing to report, no meetings have taken place since October 2020.

**Legislative (Bob Burdette):**

- a. No report submitted.

**MABAS (Bob Burdette):**

- a. Committee met reference box cards updates and how they will integrate into the new Tyler CAD.
- b. Chief Robere asked if districts/zones can be re-drawn. Chief Cairnduff reports that it can be done but it needs to integrate with GIS and then dumped into the current system. Contact Chief Cairnduff reference re-districting within the current system.
- c. The current system will be used until at least October 2022.
- d. Chief Cairnduff reports that he will be turning over all MABAS box card responsibilities, that integrate with Genesee County 911, to one of the other committee members. I will remain on the committee. Those that need changes will need to speak to the committee member that takes this part over.

**MUSAR (Troy Brancheau):**

- a. No report submitted.

**Standards (Mike Vogt):**

- a. Nothing to report.

**Training Committee (Matt Raysin):**

- a. Committee is now full. The committee had 10 applicants and members were selected after interviews and consulting with the Chief's association president.
- b. Several stand-alone classes had to be cancelled due to low enrollment. To obtain state funding, classes need to have at least 12 people. Classes have been five or less. Designated funds are returned to BFS. We are hopeful that returning those funds does not negatively reflect funding for the upcoming year.
- c. Extensive discussion took place reference the AM academy. Chief Raysin stated he only received five email responses asking who would be sending people to the AM academy. He also asked how many people would be sending students to the AM for all members in attendance. The consensus was approximately four students would enroll in the AM academy. Discussion also took place reference course manager applicants and how to proceed. Chief Raysin asked the membership if there were any ideas on an AM course manager. It was clarified that a course manager needs to be a certified instructor, certified instructor 1 or certified instructor 2. It was suggested that Chief Raysin reach out to neighboring training coordinators to see if they have any ideas or options. Also discussed the options of creating a funded position for a course manager. Additionally, it was suggested that a regional SAFER grant be submitted for a training coordinator. After extensive discussion it was decided to not hold an AM academy this year unless the committee can find a solution.
- d. Discussed the results of the needs survey.
- e. Announced the pump operator class for August 18, 2021. Registration forms are on the website.
- f. Chief Wilkinson provided an update on the GISD CTC academy.

**IX. Reports from Supporting Organizations:**

**Office of Emergency Management (Jeff Wilson):**

- a. No report submitted.

**Genesee County 911 (Tim Jones):**

- a. Encourage your elected officials to attend the general membership meeting in September so it can be assured that there is a quorum so the EMS service agreement can be voted upon.

**Department of Natural Resources (Matt Feldpausch):**

- a. No report submitted.

**American Red Cross (Dick Beauchamp):**

- a. The Red Cross responded to 11 incidents. Total of 12 households comprising of 20 adults and 10 children.
- b. For fiscal year 2021, the Red Cross presented 134 pillow presentations and installed 204 smoke alarms entering 309 households.

**Salvation Army (Lydia Sanchez-Roat):**

- a. No report submitted.

**X. Reports from Special Committees:**

*HAZMAT Team Sustainability (James Young):*

- a. The committee has met multiple times to discuss the sustainability and how to fund the team. Currently, there are no active solutions.
- b. Unless funding is secured, once funding runs out the plan is to start selling equipment, downsizing the team, and eventually dismantling the team or transferring them into an advisory role.
- c. Discussion took place reference possible solutions and why the OEM isn't more involved in the team. Additional discussion took place reference possible community-based funding for the team.
- d. Chief Campbell will reach out to Josh Freeman as the executive administrator to see if the county commissioners will submit a millage.
- e. It was agreed to set a date of January 31, 2022, to determine what will happen with the team. It was further suggested that a press conference be held to bring this situation to light.

**XI. Old Business:**

- a. None

**XII. New Business:**

- a. Uniform for Honor Guard (Campbell).
  - i. Discussion took place reference making sure the team leader is getting uniforms back and the need for daytime members.
  - ii. **ACTION ITEM.** Motion to approve moving \$850.00 to the designated Honor Guard fund to purchase one new uniform.
    1. **Moved By: Blight**
    2. **Supported: Barton**
    3. **Discussion: None**
    4. **Voice vote taken. PASSED**
- b. Crim EMS (Campbell).
  - i. Asked if anyone had personnel available to staff EMS carts for the event. If anyone has staff, please notify Chief Campbell by the end of the week.

**XIII. Comments from the Floor:**

- a. None

**XIV. 50/50**

- a. Splint is \$93.00 each way

**XV. Adjournment at 20:25**