



Kenton County Fire Chief's Association

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Chairman: Chief Paul LaFontaine

Elsmere Fire Department

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Meeting Minutes – Held on 01/18/2024. The meeting was hosted at the Ft. Wright Fire Department.

Chairman Paul LaFontaine called the regular meeting to order at 1156 hours and led the attendants with the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: All departments were represented.

MINUTES: Motion to accept the November 2023 meeting minutes by M. Steward and seconded by D. Slusser. Motion passed.

GUESTS: Paul See, KCECC, 859 Board Up, Les Whalen, Chris Vogelpohl, UC, Air EVAC, KCTCS, Carl Biery.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AIR TRUCK: T. Dickman reported. 2 runs.

FIRE INVESTIGATION: No report.

BUDGET: Progress.

BYLAWS: No report.

HSEMA: Steve Hensley reported. You may have to re-take NIMS classes and ICS classes if you were certified before 2019. EMA is investigating.

MUTUAL AID: No report

RADIO: N. Russell reported. Still looking into Lecution versus Pervis.

Kim Dornhagen is the new Asst. Director.

The MARC's system upgrade may not happen.

Radio meetings will be held on odd months.

Rapid SOS is being looked into.

TRAINING: NFA Safety officer class being held February 15 and 16th.

CPAT testing February 6 and 7th.

IFSAC testing May 9 and 10th.

TRAINING FACILITY: N. Russell reported. Tuscany Investments has approved the closing documents.

MOU's are moving along.

Discussion held on hiring and Architect etc.

A motion was made by M. Pierce and seconded by J. Wendt to hire Harry Sparks as an Architect and to spend as much as \$15,000 on architect fees. The motion passed.

EMS: C. Vogelpohl. Please use Pulsara when transporting to St. Elizabeth. EMT class has started with 37 students. Patients needing Orthopaedic services should be transported to St. Elizabeth Florence.

Air Care conference is March 12.

Air Evac – Training is available

S. Breeze – KBEMS EMS grant needs to be applied for. They are considering equipment which would benefit the County. More to come.

TREASURER: R. Messingschlager reported. Motion by C. Hopple and seconded by C. Dietz to approve the November 2023 report as submitted. Motion passed.

Motion by C. Dietz and second by C. Hopple to approve the 2023 Annual treasurer's report. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: Independence notified the Association that we will need a place to store the County spare beginning March 2024. Anyone interested should contact the Chairman.

NEW BUSINESS: Nominations for office were opened up.

Motion by N. Russell and second by J. Schleue for Paul LaFontaine as Chairman.

Motion by C. Dietz and second by M. Steward for R. Messingschlager as Treasurer.

Motion by J. Schleue and second by M. Steward for Rob Dreyer as Secretary.

Motion by M. Steward and second by C. Deye to retain the current District 1,2 and 3 representatives.

The 501c3 paperwork was filed this year.

GOOD and WELFARE: Adam Fuller is the new victim assistance coordinator at 859 Board Up.

M. Pierce announced the promotions in Covington. C. Deye to Deputy Chief, J. Vance to Asst. Chief and J. Adams to Asst. Chief.

S. Hensley thanked the American Red Cross for their help at the Ludlow incident.

M. Steward thanked everyone who responded or helped with the Ludlow incident.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by M. Steward and second by J. Schleue. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1234 hours.

Next meeting will be held on February 15, 2024 and will be hosted by the Covington Fire Department. The meeting will be held at the Kenton County EOC at the County building.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert T. Dreyer

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