

# Northwest Arkansas Metropolitan Chiefs Meeting

November 18, 2021 – Rogers Fire Department

## Standing Items of Business:

1. Meeting called to order
2. Attendance: Vanatta, Criner, Hellard, Pinder, Melnicki, Baggett, Meredith, Bryan, Wilson, Wright, Hardin, Pittman, Vaughan, Watts, Whisenant, Stapp, Thompson, Jenkins, Skelton, Irwin, Yarno, Qualls, Lieutard
3. Motion to approve minutes from the 21 October, 2021 meeting – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS
4. Financial report (current balance \$47,634.38) - APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS

## New Business:

5. Financial Policy Discussion and Adoption – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS
6. Fiscal Year 2022 Budget – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS  
*Includes adjustments to Dues, CPAT Cost and Fire Academy Student Fees*
7. Membership Renewal Information for 2022 – INFORMATIONAL ONLY NO ACTION

## Old Business:

8. Executive Director Job Description – INFORMATIONAL ONLY NO ACTION  
*President Criner to facilitate process and use committee to select*

## Committee Reports:

9. NWA Training Officers Report
  - a. Committee developing an attrition report on rookies that have completed the NWA Fire Academy to determine preparation and areas for improvement.
  - b. Academy in Springdale complete with compliments to SFD
  - c. First In Conference in Siloam Springs was a success
  - d. Arkansas Fire Academy – new Deputy Director. Director position posted with anticipated start date of 3 March 2022
10. NWA Fire Marshals Report
  - a. Fire code adoption by the state pushed back until 1 July 2022
11. NWA Operations Chiefs Report
  - a. Last meeting discussed Rapid Intervention practices and policy

- b. Next meeting in Rogers to review a recent incident

**Other Business:**

12. Protocol App is out and available. Information to obtain it:

You can go to <https://www.acidremap.com> and click on **NWA Metropolitan Fire Chiefs' Association** under the **Arkansas** tab, or you can go to these links directly:

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13. Upcoming important dates:

- c. November 30, 2021 – Retirement for Mike Irwin at Springdale Training Center
- d. December 16, 2021 – Next Metro Meeting in Lowell
- e. January 25, 2022 – 3pm Presentation from Chief Greg Cassell on Route 91 Shooting
- f. January 27-28, 2022 – Arkansas State Fire Chiefs Workshop
- g. March 7, 2022 – Full scale drill at XNA
- h. March 8-9, 2022 – Training burn at XNA
- i. April 20-22, 2022 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual NWAMFC Retreat and Workshop
- j. September 20, 2022 – NFPA Summit @ NWACC CHP 3016

14. Round Table Information from Departments:

- a. Springdale – Blake Holt new Fire Chief, Training Center received an award
- b. Beaver Lake – Hiring six new firefighters
- c. Greenwood – New fire apparatus in production

- d. Farmington – Hiring three new firefighters
- e. Fayetteville – New Fire Station 8 opening in March and another in June

15. Adjournment – APPROVED, PASS UNANIMOUS