

Northwest Arkansas Metropolitan Chiefs Meeting

December 16, 2021 – Rogers Fire Department

Standing Items of Business:

1. Meeting called to order
2. Attendance: Vanatta, Criner, Pinder, Melnicki, Baggett, Meredith, Wilson, Wright, Hardin, Pittman, Vaughan, Watts, Whisenant, Stapp, Jenkins, Yarno, Lieutard, Holt, Feemster, Stewart, Cripps, Ford, Luther
3. Motion to approve minutes from the 18 November, 2021 meeting – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS
4. Financial report (current balance \$46,781.13) - APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS

New Business:

5. Discuss draft plan for annual workshop and retreat – INFORMATIONAL ONLY NO ACTION
6. Discuss NWA Metro Fire Chief's involvement in Arkansas Fire Academy Director selection – INFORMATIONAL ONLY NO ACTION
 - a. Letter being sent to SAU-Tech Chancellor
 - b. Candidates to be invited to the January NWAMFCA meeting for Q&A

Old Business:

7. Membership Renewal Information for 2022 – INFORMATIONAL ONLY NO ACTION

Committee Reports:

8. NWA Training Officers Report
 - a. Attrition report sent to various departments
 - b. Up to 50 recruits in the next academy
9. NWA Fire Marshals Report
 - a. No report
10. NWA Operations Chiefs Report
 - a. No report

Other Business:

11. Upcoming important dates:

- a. January 25, 2022 – 3pm Presentation from Chief Greg Cassell on Route 91 Shooting
- b. January 27-28, 2022 – Arkansas State Fire Chiefs Workshop
- c. March 7, 2022 – Full scale drill at XNA
- d. March 8-9, 2022 – Training burn at XNA
- e. April 20-22, 2022 – 2nd Annual NWAMFC Retreat and Workshop
- f. September 20, 2022 – NFPA Summit @ NWACC CHP 3016

12. Round Table Information from Departments:

- a. Lincoln FD hiring its first paid firefighter.
- b. Beaver Lake FD hiring six paid firefighters.
- c. Benton County Fire has an opening for a Fire Marshal.

13. Adjournment – APPROVED, PASS UNANIMOUS