

# Northwest Arkansas Metropolitan Chiefs Meeting January 19, 2022 – Central EMS Training Center

## Standing Items of Business:

1. Meeting called to order
2. Attendance: Jenkins, Hardin, Criner, Melnicki, Vanatta, DeMotte, Watts, Hyde, Hulse, Hellard, Baggett, Lieutard, Harrison, Sloat, Luther, Meredith, Hoyer, Vaughan, Breeden, Cripps, Stewart Becky, Special Guest Chief Mickey Jackson
3. Motion to approve minutes from the 15 Dec 2022 meeting – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS
4. Financial report (current balance \$91,663.79) - APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS

## New Business:

5. Discussion on format of the initial involving of company officers into the organization. President Criner suggested we have those initial members and their Chief of Department meet in February at 11am with the normal NWA Metro Chiefs meeting occurring at 1200pm. – NO ACTION TAKEN
6. Chief Watts provided an updated on the rear-facing blue warning light bill. MOTION TO SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO THE COMMITTEE, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
7. Information on the April 18 NFPA Summit occurring in NWA. Emailed agenda and registration forthcoming. The event will take place immediately before the NWA Metro Fire Chiefs Workshop and Retreat.
8. Membership renewal for FY23 is ongoing. Multi-member registration is being worked on by Chief Bronner.

## Old Business:

9. Nonprofit Status – UPDATE FROM TOM JENKINS, FORM SUBMITTED BUT RETURNED WITH AN INCORRECT EIN/TIN. FURTHER WORK WITH THE IRS IS FORTHCOMING.
10. Vacancy of Executive Director – TOM JENKINS UPDATED THE EFFORT TO INCORPORATE A MUTUAL AID COORDINATOR IN COLLABORATION WITH THE OPS CHIEF COMMITTEE FOR REGIONALIZED COORDINATION DURING EMERGENCIES. MORE INFORMATION AND A PROPOSAL TO FOLLOW.
11. Resource Catalog Update – REMINDER TO DEPARTMENTS TO SUBMIT INFORMATION TO RFD ANALYSIS CARRIE WILSON ([cwilson@rogersar.gov](mailto:cwilson@rogersar.gov))
12. Arkansas Fire District Update - CHIEF HARDIN PROVIDED A BRIEF UPDATE ON THE FIRE DISTRICT LEGLISTATIVE EFFORT.

## Committee Reports:

13. NWA Training Officers Report
  - a. Report provided
14. NWA Fire Marshals Report
  - b. Report provided
15. NWA Operations Chiefs Report

- a. Report provided – (HR Policies and MA Coordinator)
- 16. NWA EMS Officers Report
  - a. Report Provided
  - b. Request by EMS Officers for funding strategy on the protocols app. MOTION TO HAVE THE METRO CHIEFS PAY FOR THE APP AGAIN AND BILL ALL PARTICIPATING AGENCIES FOR THEIR PRORATED SHARE, PENDING NOTIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF THOSE AGENCIES BY CHIEF LIEUTARD. APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Other Business:**

- 17. Upcoming important dates: NFPA Summit at RFD Training Center April 18, 3<sup>RD</sup> Annual Metro Chiefs Workshop April 19-20
- 18. Round Table Information from Departments
- 19. Request to add Chief Mickey Jackson (Ret) to the email distribution list for the NWA Metro Chiefs. APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS
- 20. Adjournment – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS