

Northwest Arkansas Metropolitan Chiefs Meeting February 16, 2023 – Rogers Fire Department 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, Hoyer, Vaughan, Breeden, Cripps, Stewart Becky, Thurman, Wright, Goode, Wood, Harrell, Sims, Early,
3. Motion to approve minutes from the 19 Jan 2023 meeting – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS
4. Financial report (current balance \$101,959.58) - APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS

New Business:

5. Discussion on the kickoff meeting with the Mayors/City Administrator of Siloam Springs, Fayetteville, Springdale, and Rogers regarding a regional fire district. Excellent support and feedback with future meetings to be held quarterly. Support was also shown for a regional fire dispatch center. MOTION TO ALLOCATE \$10,000 FROM BUDGET RESERVES TO SUPPORT RESEARCH ON FIRE DISTRICTS, INCLUDING TRAVEL. – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Old Business:

6. Nonprofit Status – UPDATE FROM TOM JENKINS. NEW EIN/TIN OBTAINED.
7. Resource Catalog – UPDATED ON THE WEBSITE. STILL MISSING SOME DEPARTMENTS, BUT INFORMATION LISTED IS CURRENT.
8. Company Officers Kickoff Meeting – CHIEF CRINER CONDUCTED PRIOR TO THIS MONTHS' METRO CHIEFS MEETING WITH LOW ATTENDANCE. NEED TO REEVALUATE AND OBTAIN ADDITIONAL COMPANY OFFICER ATTENDEES FOR NEXT TIME.
9. 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.
10. Information on the April 19-20 3rd Annual Metro Chiefs Workshop was shared. Registration to open soon.
11. Membership renewal for FY23 is ongoing.

Committee Reports:

12. NWA Training Officers Report
 - a. Report provided (EMT Class planned for this summer in between academies)
13. NWA Fire Marshals Report
 - b. Report provided
14. NWA Operations Chiefs Report
 - a. Report provided
 - b. Regional Mutual Aid Coordinator Job Position passed out for review.
15. NWA EMS Officers Report

a. Report Provided

Other Business:

16. Round Table Information from Departments

17. Adjournment – APPROVED, PASSED UNANIMOUS