

**THIRD DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION
MABAS 24, INC.
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 14, 2008**

DEPARTMENTS PRESENT:

BURNHAM:	Not Present
CALUMET CITY:	Not Present
CHICAGO HEIGHTS:	Not Present
COUNTRY CLUB HILLS:	G. Kasper, D. Rodriguez
DOLTON:	L. Victor
EAST HAZEL CREST:	Not Present
FLOSSMOOR:	D. Hornback, D. Habecker
GLENWOOD:	K. Welsh
HARVEY:	Not Present
HAZEL CREST:	C. Jackson, B. Grabowski
HOMEWOOD:	A. Schullo, S. Moran
HOMEWOOD ACRES:	Not Present
LANSING:	D. Gregorovic
LYNWOOD:	R. Eriks
MARKHAM:	Not Present
MATTESON:	N. Wilkens
MUNSTER:	J. Knesek, D. Pelc
OAK FOREST:	J. Berger, C. Sopko, L. Alfaro
PHOENIX:	Not Present
RIGHTON PARK:	Not Present
RIVERDALE:	Not Present
S. CHICAGO HEIGHTS:	Not Present
SOUTH HOLLAND:	Not Present
THORNTON:	B. Kolosh
TINLEY PARK:	K. Dunn
RETIRED MEMBERS:	Not Present
HONORARY MEMBERS:	D. Wiessner, E-Com Dispatch Center W. Neumann, Orland Central Dispatch
VENDORS:	T. Eberhardt, ComEd J. Krockner, Rich Construction B. Gonsiorowski, Miner Electronics L. Benjamin, E.R.S. Board Up
GUESTS:	Not Present

Meeting was called to order at 11:40 AM.

Chief Welsh welcomed all members, vendors, and guests.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the January 10, 2008, meeting minutes by Chief Berger; seconded by Chief Gregorovic. Motion carried.

Communications: Nothing to report.

Applications: Nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Comprehensive Planning: As reported last month, we will have a new set of bylaws, rules and regulations for the Association.

EMS: Nothing to report.

Legislative/Legal: Nothing to report other than e-mail on upcoming issues for Spring. This committee's first assignment will be to evaluate the Dive SOPs and guidelines, then send them on to the Executive Board for action.

Inspectors: We have split out Inspectors and Pub Ed.

Public Education: The showcase has been changed to September 18. We will co-host the South Suburban Mayor's & Manager's quarterly dinner meeting, 5:30-7:30. More information will be forthcoming. If you have any questions, contact Chief Stegenga.

Investigators: There have been two call outs since the last meeting. Other than a couple of issues, everything went well. We will be reviewing training records. For those with a deficit, you will be receiving a letter asking for update or you will be removed from the Investigator's team. We are referred to as Division 24 Fire Investigators.

Dive: Everything is going fine. There was a call out Friday in Tinley Park. Thank you to Chief Dunn for getting them everything they needed. They hope to have SOPs in hand by the first of the month. Discussion was had regarding putting together a quick ice rescue program.

Retirement: Nothing to report.

Utilities: Make sure Com Ed reps go to command.

Training: We have had some interest but there is no new training Chief. We will be holding a meeting to discuss replacement.

Mutual Aid: Reminder – mutual aid responses require a 4-person vehicle response. Discussion was had re Division 24 department that has not signed a mutual aid agreement.

HazMat: There have been no incidents. An Advisor's meeting will be held Tuesday. They are continuing to work to absorb Div. 27 (from which two Advisors have been identified). They are moving forward.

Canteen: There were four call outs last month with one denial due to fees. The Executive Board has been examining Canteen funding and are reaching out for assistance or guidelines. Discussion was had re the need for someone to dedicate themselves to pursuing an aggressive campaign within our municipalities. Please contact Chief Welsh if you think you can help.

CART/TRT: No report other than the recent meeting. The Executive Board will be defining the process and deliver information hopefully by next month. Chief Schullo will be providing you with information and we will move this process forward. Several more departments have provided equipment and personnel lists. If you need technical rescue services, CART will be taking care of us during this interim period.

Finance: There has been no major activity. Invoices and standard invoices were presented for approval. The Verizon invoice will not be paid, we are no longer using them for website services. A motion was made by Chief Kasperto pay the invoices as presented. Second by Chief Eriks. Motion carried.

Fire Chiefs' Reports:

Chief Welsh: Phoenix Fire Department has a new chief as of Tuesday night, Howard Fisher.

Chief Dunn: Thank you for all the help in the last couple of weeks. After pulling the EMS box, we realized there were no more transports. The Dive Team spent over 6 hours out there and did a fine job. We are amazed at what they were able to see. Thank you very much.

Chief Kasper: Thank you for your help at the EMS alarm at Southwood School.

Chief Hornback: Thank you for the other night. We appreciate all the work and Orland for their dispatching services. It went well.

Chief Kolosh: St. Baldrick's will be held March 8 at the American Legion. Canteen is working on an agreement for Canteen services with Division 22.

D. Weissner: We are busy every day.

Vendors' Reports:

J. Krocker: Thank you.

Unfinished Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Discussion was had regarding some issues for the MABAS conference. Discussion was had re nominations, qualifications, the election process, and other issues. You can vote even if you are not paid up in MABAS. You should have received new policy drafts. There does not appear to be a conflict between policies and current MABAS bylaws. Discussion was had regarding Division 4 changes. Recommendation is to see how it progresses.

There was some discussion re the South Suburban Mayors and Managers communication re staffing.

Good of the Association: Nothing to report.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Chief Gregorovic. Second by Chief Berger. Motion carried at 12:35 Hours.

Next Meeting:

Glenwood Oaks Restaurant
106 N. Main Street
Glenwood, IL
Mar. 13, 2008
11:30 A.M.

Respectfully,

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