



Northwest Arkansas Metro Chiefs

Training Officers Association

January 2020 Meeting Minutes

Springdale Fire Department Station 6
0900 Hours on January 8th, 2020

Call to Order

1. President Bronner called meeting to order at 0906 hours.
2. Motion to approve November 2019 minutes, since there was no December 2019 meeting.
1st Vanatta, 2nd Cranford – Motion approved unanimously.

Old Business:

1. **2020 CPAT And Academy Schedule** – CPAT session; one in spring and one in fall to coincide with the Academies. Moving the FALL 2020 Academy out a little further at the request of Fayetteville Fire Department. Looking to start on August 24th (Week of August 24th is the “Pre-Req” week) for the Fall 2020 Academy with Graduation on October 30th; that Friday. Motion to approve the Fall Academy Schedule – 1st Campos, 2nd Vanatta – Motion approved unanimously.

Spring CPAT Testing Schedule

- 0900 – Saturday, March, 21st – Orientation
- 0900 – Saturday, April 11th – Practice Session 1
- 1000 – Saturday, May 9th – Practice Session 2
- 1000 – Saturday, May 30th – CPAT Test

Fall CPAT Testing Schedule

- 0900 – Saturday, September 12th – Orientation
- 0900 – Saturday, October 3rd – Practice Session 1
- 1000 – Saturday, October 31st – Practice Session 2
- 1000 – Saturday, November 21st – CPAT Test

New Business:

1. **2020 Training Calendar**

Access what is posted here: <https://www.nwatoa.site/2019-training/>

- Springdale Training Announcements
 - i. Aerial Driver/Operator – April 27th, 2020
 - ii. Leadership and Supervision – Sept. 28th-Oct. 2nd



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2. NTN Testing Dates

NTN Website: <https://www.nationaltestingnetwork.com/publicsafetyjobs/testing-process.cfm>

- Proposed NTN Test dates – April 11th, May 9th, May 30th, October 3rd, October 31st, November 21st. Saturdays at 2PM CST.

3. Spring Fire Academy Estimated Attendance – 21 recruits throughout the region.

AFTA applications for the Academy had not been submitted. Wildland and Haz-Mat need coordination. Rogers - reporting Haz-Mat is taken care of. 1st three days haz-mat. Wildland for the 2nd or 3rd. LP burns out a Lincoln for 1 day of the academy.

4. Tests not correlating with the textbook – Directed to Lonnie Harrell who was present at this meeting. A contact name at AFTA was given by Lonnie to President Bronner.

5. NW Arkansas Conference Proposal and Future Development – Looking to form a committee in moving forward with re-developing a training conference back to the region. President Bronner proposed to speak with Chief Jenkins to find out past hosts, sponsors, and details. Potential “State” money out there for training by notifying representatives by Leon Lieutard. Need members to reach out to respective conferences they know about and gather as much information as we can. Start simple.

Open Discussion:

1. **Siloam Springs** – Up to 8 slots were available in the first class. The second class is full.
2. **Springdale** – Big rig – heavy rescue in-house. They are going to offer another soon, that is open for all NWA departments.
3. **Haz-Mat Technician Course** – Working on getting a course to this area.
4. **ISFSI Live 1403 Course** – Rogers is looking to have a course when the facility is open. The process for holding the course was explained by Vice President Vanatta.
5. **Hybrid Classes** – Instructor 1 and Officer 1 – Scheduled and ready to go. Meeting with Lonnie Harrell after to talk about logistics of the course.
6. **Central EMS** – ACLS and PALS in one day, performed quarterly; includes CPR.

Motion to Adjourn: 1105 Hours - MOTION by President Bronner to adjourn; SECOND by Campos, PASS.