



Northwest Arkansas Metro Chiefs

Training Officers Association

February 2020 Meeting Minutes

Springdale Fire Department Station 6
0900 Hours on February 12th, 2020

Call to Order

1. President Bronner called meeting to order at 0911 hours. *Members present include, Officers' Kuykendall, Bray, Vanatta, Baggett, Bronner, Cranford, Lee, Lieutard, and Thurman.*
2. Motion to approve January 2020 minutes. 1st Vanatta, 2nd Campos – Motion approved unanimously.

Old Business:

1. **2020 CPAT** – Add April 25th CPAT Practice session and update the website to reflect.

Spring CPAT Testing Schedule

- 0900 – Saturday, March, 21st – Orientation
- 0900 – Saturday, April 11th – Practice Session 1
- 0900 – Saturday, April 25th – Practice Session - ****NEW****
- 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

2. **EMR Class if Needed by anyone** – Starts Monday March 9th at the Springdale Fire Department – Report to class at 0830 hours for the first day. Central EMS is teaching in conjunction with Springdale Fire.
3. **Fire Academy Schedule** – Looking to start on March 30th for “Pre-Req’s”. Start date for regular Academy is Monday April 6th, 2020. Graduation on Friday May 29th.

New Business:

1. **Update from Chief Cranford on Hybrid Courses** – Keeping in-house until further notice.



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2. **Spring Fire Academy** – Be sure and get the following information sent in ASAP. Uniform form is on the website for t-shirt sizes/pants. AFTA applications need to be sent to both gbray@rogersar.gov and mbronner@springdalear.gov . Immunization records.
 - **Recruits will be required to attain NIMS 100, 200, 700, and 800 on their own and submit the completed certs to the Fire Academy.** These can be gained via online/distance learning.
3. **Haz-Mat Tech. Dates** – Chris Foreman is contacted. Springdale Fire is hosting.
4. **State Training Officers' Association** – President Bronner introduced the idea to pursue a possible State of Arkansas Training Officers' Association. Currently there is a State Fire Marshal's, and other State Associations. It was proposed that this association may better support training-related issues across the State, networking, and serve to provide guidance to partner groups and organizations.
5. **Regional Conference** – Looking to gain support, ideas, and structure to potentially bring back a conference to NWA. Include both EMS and Fire Training components.

Upcoming Classes

1. Access what is posted here: <https://www.nwatoa.site/2019-training/>
 - Fayetteville Fire Department
 - i. Driver/Operator Course – April 13th- April 24th.
 - Springdale Training Announcements
 - i. Aerial Driver/Operator – April 27th- May 5th – CONFIRMED.
 - ii. Leadership and Supervision – Sept. 28th-Oct. 2nd
 - Siloam Springs Fire Department
 - i. Swift-Water Tech. – March 9th – March 13th and March 23rd – March 27th, Full.



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Open Discussion:

1. **ADEM** – NWA TOA is looking to host a NIMS 300 & 400 course. Need a department to host and contact ADEM.
2. **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.
3. **USAR Training 80-hours** – March 9th-16th straight through, Fayetteville, AR. Up to 8 people per Department. “CORE” rescue is the only Pre-Req. Send the list to Campos. Training is free and provided through Washington County EM and if you successfully complete the training; the expectation is that you can be deployed as a part of the TASK Force.
4. **NAFCO – April 14, 15 & 16** – Rogers Fire Department.
5. **Central EMS** – ACLS and PALS in one day, performed quarterly; includes CPR.
6. **12 Days of Training (by Task Force 1, Inc.)** – Now called the “Northwest Arkansas 2020 Training Summit” to be held in Little Rock. Approximately \$150 to \$200 per person (he will work for pricing and budgets) for as many days as they would like to attend. Ryan McCormick is the main point of contact.
 1. **Description of the Event** – Available each day and taught each day; a full-day “In the Front-Right Seat” in-class lecture or, a full day of H.O.T. training with different skills every 2 hours. The above price includes the training. It does not include any hotel, travel or food.

Motion to Adjourn: 1042 Hours - MOTION by Vice President Vanatta to adjourn; SECOND by Bray, PASS.