



Northwest Arkansas Metro Chiefs

Training Officers Association

August 2020 Meeting Minutes

ZOOM – Online Meeting VIA ZOOM from Springdale Fire Department Station 1
0904 Hours on August 12th, 2020

Call to Order

1. President Bronner called meeting to order at 0904 hours. *Members present include, Bronner, Baggett, Lee, Vanatta Jr., Cranford, Harrell, Hoyer, Campos, and members not recorded.*

Old Business:

1. **AFTA Update** – The Lincoln Academy is now officially closed. Fire Departments are “in the hat” or lottery to receive equipment and props. By Lonnie Harrel, AFTA Regional Rep.
2. **CPAT** – To keep original schedule and look at the next cycle, and possibly add another day. By BC Bronner.
3. **Visit to Camden to Meet with Director Nix** – Working on scheduling this visit this month or possibly next month.
4. **Fall Recruit Academy** – On schedule to start at Fayetteville Fire Department Training Facility with pre-requisites starting on August 24th, and the actual start date for the Academy beginning August 31st, 2020.
 - Motion by Deputy Chief Vanatta Jr. to include the “Pre-Requisites” week as a part of the entire academy to eliminate confusion on future academies. 2nd by Campos, Unanimous Approval, PASS.
 - Cintas invoice will get paid.
 - Battalion Chief Bronner still does not have a credit card from Metro Chiefs. In process with Chief Cripps to resolve this matter.
 - Hay, OSB, 2x2 boards, ropes, and webbing still needed.
 - Meeks or Home Depot given as locations for purchasing supplies.
5. **1403 Live-Fire Instructor** – ISFSI course to be hosted by Rogers Fire Department Sept. 30, Oct 1&2, 2020. It will fill up fast, so get your applications in. By Battalion Chief Hoyer, Rogers.



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New Business:

1. **Inspector 1 books** – Needed by Siloam for September 21st course.
2. **Regional AFG grant** – Brought up by Div. Chief Cranford for possibilities. No movement or necessity at this time by the group.
3. **Training Calendar for 2021** – Need to start work on courses needed and who is willing to host.

Open Discussion:

1. **Bella Vista** – Received an AFG-S Grant for COVID-19 response in the amount of approximately \$20,000. Projects for new station 3 and new training grounds underway.
2. **AFTA** – Looking for a location to hold regional testing for applicants. Springdale agreed at this time. Rogers FD and Fayetteville FD also, agreed to host if necessary. By Lonnie Harrell.
3. **Springdale** – New CPAT equipment was received; a stair climber and a Rescue Randy manikin.
4. **Rogers** – The classroom facility is complete, working on adding furniture and A/V equipment at this time.
5. **Fayetteville** – Nothing, besides preparation for the Fire Academy. On-duty crews will assist greatly with the Academy.

Motion to Adjourn: 1013 Hours - MOTION by Battalion Chief Campos to adjourn; SECOND by Deputy Chief Baggett, PASS.