

St. Clair County Fire and EMS Association

Minutes of Regular Meeting

March 10, 2015

Hosted by Wattsville

IN ATTENDANCE:

Carl Brownfield	Shoal Creek
Rexanne Brownfield	Shoal Creek
Eric Mueller	Shoal Creek
Lockett Blanton	Shoal Creek
Mike Blanton	Shoal Creek
Chuck Morris	Shoal Creek
David Smith	Shoal Creek
Dale Metcalfe	Friendship
Wayne Mealer	Friendship
Clarence W. Quarles	Gallant
Howard Downs	Cook Springs
Marcie Battles	Cool Springs
Tommy Liverett	DEC Fire Restoration
Chris Key	RPS
Mike Platts	Argo
Gwen Wilder	Wolf Creek
Michael Wilder	Wolf Creek
Bryan Price	Wolf Creek
Dustin Parker	Odenville
Richard Harvey	Springville
Zachary Grice	Wattsville
David Underwood	Wattsville
Austin Williams	Wattsville
Branden Senatore	Wattsville
Nicole Whitfield	Gallant
Brad Richardson	Odenville
Joe Acker	BREMSS
James Robinson	Training

The March County Association meeting was called to order at 7: 00 pm by President Richard Harvey of Springville. The invocation was led by Richard Harvey and pledge of allegiance was led by Richard Harvey

GUEST SPEAKERS: Richard Snow of Excalibur Southeast furnished the dinner

Door Prize winners: Eric Mueller, Chris Key & Carl Brownfield

Tommy Liverett from DEC Restoration – TV Raffle won by Mike Wilder

MINUTES:

The February meeting minutes were distributed via email to the SCCFA Yahoo Group and have been posted to the St. Clair County Fire and EMS webpage:

<http://www.stclairco.com/clientuploads/documents/SCCFA/Minutes/February2015Minutes.pdf>

Howard Downs made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; this motion was seconded by Bryan Price. The motion to accept the minutes as presented was passed with no objections.

FINANCIAL:

The financial report was provided by Rexanne Brownfield.

SCCFA Account Balances as of January 31, 2014:

Regular Checking Account	\$ 8,344.91
Get Alarmed Account	\$ 350.20
Money Market Account	<u>\$12,750.08</u>
TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCES	\$21,445.19

Rexanne reported that the only transactions in the month of February were deposits for Workmen’s Comp Insurance reimbursements and Interest payments.

Wayne Mealer made a motion to accept the financial report; this motion was seconded by Marcie Battles. The motion to accept the financial report as given was passed with no objections.

BREMSS:

Joe Acker reported that they are finally going to appoint the Protocol Sub-Committee. Everyone needs to be aware that American Heart will be issuing new material for BLS, ALS this fall. He believes we will not see new protocols until next year.

BREMSS cleaned out the boards at UAB on Monday, Joe brought 2 that he found for St. Clair County departments, which were Gallant and Shoal Creek.

EMA:

Richard Harvey reported on the process of writing the Emergency Operations Plan. What they have decided to do, is to make each individual fire department its own separate annex area. He stated that you should have received a questionnaire that is specific for you jurisdiction from Bryan Shaffer that needs to be completed and returned to Bryan. What they are looking for are potential areas for Incident Command Post, Staging Area, Casualty Collection, etc.....

Shoal Creek reported that they have not received this questionnaire.

COG:

Howard Downs reported that COG did not meet last month due to the weather, but, will be meeting on March 17, 2015. He again stressed that if you have any issues with the ambulance service to contact them immediately. The sooner they have the information the sooner the issues can be resolved. If you have a problem with an ambulance service other than RPS responding to your incident contact Chris.

Howard reminded everyone that Central is supposed to dispatch an ambulance to a structure fire, if they are not there call Central and request that one is dispatched to your location.

Howard Downs 205-640-2496 - Sandhow@windstream.net

Richard Harvey 205-368-7688 - sfd377@aol.com

RPS:

No report given

TRAINING:

- Alabama Power Safety Zone Program at Cool Springs April 14, 2015, at the next County Meeting
- Shoal Creek is still in need of a First Responder course
- Instructor 1, April 6 at Friendship
- Autism Awareness Course at Springville, April 20, 21, 22. If interested contact Richard Harvey
- James and Richard are working with Pell City to try and consolidate a calendar that shows all training opportunities throughout St. Clair County
- Carl Brownfield asked about the Water Supply Training Class. James stated he would get that scheduled for a couple evenings with 1 on the weekend once we get better weather.
- Public Fire Awareness Course that will be done in the evenings to accommodate the volunteers

RADIO COMMITTEE:

Bryan reported that they have exercised the network a couple times and everyone is pleased with the way it is working. They have replaced the repeater at Chandler Mountain. Richard stated that the repeater that had been damaged had been repaired and placed back into service.

FORESTRY:

No Report

BY-LAWS:

Progress has been made and hope to have an updated document for review by the Association

HONOR GUARD:

No report given.

If anyone is interested in joining or if you need the services of the Honor Guard contact the Wattsville Fire Department., or Larry Underwood at Larry.Underwood@trin.net or 205-753-3730

OLD BUSINESS:

The County Commission has not made any formal moves as to what is going to be done with the funds that may be accessed to RPS. Currently Richard believes we have a deposit of \$300.00.

NEW BUSINESS:

Richard reiterated that Alabama Power will be at the meeting in Cool Springs and the meeting will be predominantly concerning Safety Zones, this will be approximately a 45 minute training. Please have as many of your members as available attend this training. They will also come to your facility for this training if need be to assist you with identifying any hazards or what is a power line? He is speculating that we may have approximately 15 minutes of meeting time. If any reports can be done on line, we may need to do that.

Let's start thinking now about our Banquet. At the April meeting we will look at forming that committee.

Richard had a discussion with the county attorney, and they are looking at renewing contracts with Garbage companies, Franchisee Agreements with Telephone, etc... Richard wants to get more involved with that so we can look at trying to get the organizations within the county included in the contracts. For example with the garbage companies, get a garbage can and pick up service for the departments including the contracted ambulance services.

Tommy Liverett reported that he brought the Emergency Kits that everyone requested. If anyone needs kits let Rexanne Brownfield know and she will forward the information to Tommy.

Motion by Bryan Price to adjourn the meeting, and seconded by Wayne Mealer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

The April Association meeting will be held at Cool Springs on March 14, 2015. Dinner at 6:30pm with the meeting beginning at 7:00pm.

St. Clair County Fire and EMS Association Meeting Locations for 2015

January – Friendship	February – Davis Lake
March – Wattsville	April – Cool Springs
May – Shoal Creek	June – Wolf Creek
July – Cook Springs	August – Argo
September – RPS @ Friendship	October – Odenville
November – Moody	December – Springville