St. Clair County Fire and EMS Association

Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 9, 2015

Hosted by Wolf Creek

IN ATTENDANCE:

Carl Brownfield Shoal Creek Rexanne Brownfield **Shoal Creek Shoal Creek** Eric Mueller Angela Cook **Shoal Creek** Mike Blanton **Shoal Creek** Lockett Blanton **Shoal Creek Shoal Creek Chuck Morris David Smith** Shoal Creek Dale Metcalfe Friendship Wayne Mealer Friendship **Howard Downs Cook Springs**

Tommy Liverett DEC Fire Restoration

Brian McDougal RPS

Gwen Wilder Wolf Creek Michael Wilder Wolf Creek Odenville **Dustin Parker** Carter Franklin Odenville Gallant Judy Smith James Smith Gallant Richard Harvey Springville **Danny Shores Davis Lake Dale Trottier Davis Lake** Wolf Creek Danny Wright **Grant Huey** Forestry Clarence Quarles Gallant Linda Quarles Gallant Mike Estock Pleasant Hill Joe Acker **Bremss Channing Gallups** Wolf Creek Caleb Perkins Wolf Creek

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

GUEST SPEAKERS: Alabama Power – Electrical Safety Training

Tommy Liverett from DEC - TV Raffle won by Judy Smith

MINUTES:

The May 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/May2015Minutes.pdf

Wayne Mealer made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; this motion was seconded by Howard Downs. 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 May 31, 2015:

Regular Checking Account \$ 8,344.91
Get Alarmed Account \$ 350.20
Money Market Account \$12,754.89
TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCES \$21,450.00

Rexanne reported that the only transactions in the month of May was the Interest payment on the Money Market Account.

Bryan Price made a motion to accept the financial report; this motion was seconded by Danny Wright. The motion to accept the financial report as given was passed with no objections.

BREMSS:

Brought Straps that were sent with response teams. They will be cleaning out UAB the week of 6-15-15.

Change psychiatric divert beginning Monday, June 15, 2015. A psychiatric patient is someone who may cause potential harm to themselves and others without immediate medical problems. Medical includes overdose patients. Under 12 – Children's or Trinity; 12 – 19 Children's or Trinity; Adult patients you have a number of options, 1/3 of the beds at Brookwood are designated for psychiatric.

If on scene before RPS with a psychiatric patient, call TCC for designation of hospital.

EMA:

No Report

COG:

Richard Harvey reported that COG is now meeting every other month instead of every month. Carl Brownfield reported that he knew that Pinedale waited at least 30 minutes for an ambulance June 8, 2015, again today they had a call after 3 transmissions they stated that they would be on scene in approximately 15 minutes, so it would have been approximately 25 minutes on that call too. Richard stated that they would get the reports and investigate them.

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

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

RPS:

No Report

TRAINING:

- Fire Inspector 1 Springville, July 13th through July 17th, 8:00 AM 5:00 PM each day
- Emergency Care Provider in Springville, begins on July 20th with the 160 beginning August 3rd, should be completed by Thanksgiving
- Alabama State Weekend is August 21 23rd
- Water Shuttle class TBD
- Wolf Creek CPR class on June 11, 2015

RADIO COMMITTEE:

Bryan reported that there were no updates but that the committee would be meeting Wednesday, June 10, 2015. There is an invoice due to AllComm for repairs due to a lightning strike. They were unable to get approval from Central to pay the invoice so Bryan contacted the board members for an emergency meeting to approve the invoice. Richard stated that in the past the County has paid this type of invoice but they are stating that they are not going to pay this one. Richard stated he would prefer not to set a precedent by paying these types of invoices, he would like to have a little more dialogue with the County to see if they will pay it. James stated that at the beginning of this project there was a meeting with the County at which point they had agreed to pay for the maintenance of the equipment.

Danny Wright made a motion to table the discussion of payment of this invoice until discussions with the County had been completed; this motion was seconded by Dale Metcalfe. The motion to accept the financial report as given was passed with no objections.

FORESTRY:

The Grant checks will be distributed at Cook Springs association meeting. Anyone that is not in attendance to pick up your departments check will need to make arrangements to pick it up at the Forestry Office.

BY-LAWS:

Even though By-Laws document has been sent to the County attorney for review, it is still on hold because no quote for charges have been received. Once the attorney has completed the review, the board will meet to finalize everything and it will be posted to the website for everyone to review it. At which point it will be brought to the association for a vote.

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

Association banquet – Marcie spoke to Springville Camp, the facility offers; Zip Line, Baseball, Volleyball, Pool, Foosball, Climbing Tour, Lake Activities, Covered Pavilion, Recreation Hall, and an area for Firefighter Challenges. Cost is \$10.00 per person but she is attempting to get that lowered to just a rental fee.

Carl Brownfield made a motion to schedule the banquet at Springville Camp on August 29, 2015; this motion was seconded by Bryan Price. The motion to accept the financial report as given was passed with no objections.

NEW BUSINESS:

Alabama Power using their safety trailer demonstrated the dangers of working near high voltage lines during vehicle accidents, structure fires, etc... They also demonstrated the dangers of improper handling of high tension/power lines. They showed the dangers of other items that we could come in contact with, such as trees, fences, automobiles, etc... They demonstrated the risk involved if we attempted to disconnect or remove power lines and/or breakers and poles without proper equipment and training while waiting for them to arrive. In all incidents we should wait for them to arrive to handle any issues involving power lines.

The demonstration was cut short due to rain and inclement weather. This demonstration was very informative and is recommended for all departments. Contact Alabama Power to arrange training in your area.

Upcoming Events:

N/A

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

The July Association meeting will be held at Cook Springs on July 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 July – Cook Springs August – Argo

September – RPS @ Friendship October – Odenville
November – Moody December – Springville