

Queen City Area Fire Chiefs Association

17 February 2005

Minutes of Meeting

Meeting of the Queen City Area Fire Chiefs Association 17 Feb. 2005 at Bootlegger Restaurant, Aurora. This is a joint meeting with the Tri Lakes Area Chiefs and the Ozark Gateway Chiefs.

Start and Attendance:

Attending the meeting were:

Greg Hickman	Neosho Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Duane Parker	Missouri Department of Conservation	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Bud Richmond	Goodman Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Roger Schmidt	Missouri Department of Conservation	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Gary Smith	Missouri Department of Conservation	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Bob Bartley	Lanagan Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
David Stanbery	Granby Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Dan Whisler	Springfield Fire	Queen City Fire Chiefs
Steve Hoerning	Springfield Fire	Queen City Fire Chiefs
Bill Arington	Springfield Fire	Queen City Fire Chiefs
Bev Zieres	Strafford	Queen City Fire Chiefs
Bill Zieres	Missouri Division Fire Safety	
Gary Banta	Dade County R-4 Fire Protection District	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Don Lasater	Lockwood Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Preston Guthrie	Jenkins Rural Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Leon Barnes	Jenkins Rural Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Duane Compton	Republic Fire Department	Queen City Fire Chiefs
Rich Stirts	Logan-Rogersville Fire Department	Queen City Fire Chiefs
Curt Mooneyham	City of Aurora	
Robert Ward	City of Aurora	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Hank Smith	Stockton Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire Chiefs
Bob Lombard	Wheaton Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire

Jerry Ogle	Jasper Fire	Chiefs
Chris Berndt	Western Taney County	Ozark Gateway Fire
Rich Dennis	Southern Webster County	Chiefs
John Griechen	Seymour Fire	Tri-Lakes Fire Chief
Andy Nimmo	Redings Mill Fire	Queen City Fire Chiefs
Jerry		Queen City Fire Chiefs
Richmond	Goodman Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire
Michael		Chiefs
Albright	Halltown Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire
Mike Eads	Neosho Fire	Chiefs
Barrett Pierce	Missouri Department of Conservation	
Bill Dunn	Carl Junction Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire
Allen Reding	Duenweg Fire	Chiefs
Jimmy Sebree	Nixa Fire	Ozark Gateway Fire
George Smith	Missouri State Fire Training	Chiefs
Todd Chlanda	Redings Mill Fire	Queen City Fire Chiefs
		OGWFC/SwMo RC&D

Chief Sebree welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions followed.

Minutes:

Due to the joint meeting, no minutes were presented

Financial Statement:

Due to the joint meeting, no financial report was given.

Reports

George Smith reported on training funds. House bill and haz-mat training funds have been used up, but National Fire Academy classes still have money. There may be transportation money for driving classes and SEMA does have terrorism training money still available.

Smith suggested that one way to minimize expense on classes is to use registered programs. Those classes are \$300 for the course; instructors are not paid. He also suggested sending instructors to train-the-trainer opportunities. The MOFIRE training listserv has information on training opportunities.

Rich Stirts, Region D Mutual Aid coordinator, reported. Due to a typo of "requesting" for "requested" on insurance liability the final draft had to be corrected.

Conservation representatives reported on replacement of dozers in McDonald, Newton and Webster counties. No aircraft are available because of insurance rates on private pilots. A hearing will be held at 8 a.m. Feb. 23 on House Bill 3, a sunset on the Conservation tax.

Bill Zieres reported on the Fire Marshal's office. No one knows about the Governor's appointment of Fire Marshal. Mark James has been appointed as DPS director. James is the ATF special agent in charge in Kansas City. The office will be evaluated for IFSAC reaccreditations in December.

Dan Whisler and Chris Berndt reported on WMD. 2006 will be the last of the WMD money. Whisler discussed the overhead team for ICS. The team is designed for assistance with documentation and other issues, not to take over the scene. Overhead teams are recognized through the mutual aid plan for the state.

DNR environmental emergency response teams are under fire. Their jobs may be pushed down to departments and be unfunded.

Andy Nimmo said the WMD teams working together as a region help solve big problems using regional resources. April 13 will be a display and the state director of SEMA will be there.

The presidents of the three associations discussed the importance of chiefs getting together and the importance of keeping interaction going in the region. They will plan the next joint meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 20:45.

Minutes submitted by Beverly Zieres