



Northwest Arkansas Metro Chiefs Training Officers Association

October 2024 Meeting Minutes
Bella Vista Fire Department
1000 Hours on March 13, 2024

Call to Order:

1. Chief Lee called meeting to order at 10:13 hours. Members present include:
 - a. *Rogers FD: N. Mason, Z. Oldebeken*
 - b. *Fayetteville FD: B. Sloat*
 - c. *Bella Vista: B. Earley*
 - d. *Springdale: P. Lee*
 - e. *ESFD: C. Combs*
 - f. *Centerton: M. Swanson*
 - g. *SSFD: B. Garbutt*

Welcome new members or guests:

Old Business:

1. **Approval of the Minutes** for September 2024.
 - a. Motion to approve: Early, Garbutt second
 - b. All in Favor, Motion Approved
2. **Exercises-**
 - a. Review Cave Rescue Exercise- 3rd QTR 2024- Sept. 2024
 - i. 17 attendees.
 1. Training objectives mirrored NFPA 2500.
 2. Training objectives were met.
 3. Chief Early sent out a great AAR of the drill.
3. **CPAT update-**
 - a. October 26th
 - b. November 9th
 - c. November 21st
 - d. December 7th
 - e. December 12th (Test Only)

New Business:

1. **Student Manual & By Law Update,**
 - a. Chiefs Lee, Sloat, and Mason to draft revisions to the NWATO Fire Academy Student Handbook as well as the By Laws.
 - b. This will be ready to be presented to the TOA group in the November meeting.
2. **Metro Drill frequency**
 - a. The TOA group would like to present to the Metro chiefs to conduct two regional multi-jurisdictional drills each year and use the Fire Academy as the other two drills.
 - b. Need to check and make sure the Sera Title 3 law does not require two hazmat drills per year.

- c. Motion was made by Garbutt for Chief Sloat to present this to the Metro Chiefs.
This was seconded by Early. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
3. **Spring 2025 Recruit Academy**
 - a. Dates: March 31st through June 6th
 - b. Springdale to host
 - c. EMR class one week prior to start of academy
 - d. Numbers:
 - i. BVFD – 1
 - ii. SSFD – 1
 - iii. CFD – 4
 - iv. SFD – 4
 - v. RFD – 1-6
4. **Fall 2025 Recruit Academy**
 - a. Dates: September 1st through November 7th
 - b. Hosting site: ???
5. **Up Coming Classes**
 - a. Health and Safety Officer – December 7th and 8th
 - i. Springdale FD
 - ii. Send in AFA apps
 - b. Barry Young Peer Support Class – November 21st
 - i. Rogers FD
 - ii. Register at servingheros.net
 - c. Fire Chaplaincy Class – December 6th and 7th
 - i. Central EMS

Roundtable

- **SSFD**- None
- **SFD**- None
- **FFD**- None
- **RFD**- None

Next Meeting: Fayetteville Training Center

GroupMe – Anyone needing to be added to the GroupMe text group, please send your cell phone information to DC Vanatta at jvanatta@siloamsprings.com. If you need to be added to the NWATOA Google Group so that you will receive group email information from the TOA, send your email request to jvanatta@siloamsprings.com.

Motion to Adjourn: 11:35 Garbutt, Early