

Northwest Arkansas Metro Chiefs Training Officers Association

January 8th, 2025 Agenda
Siloam Springs Fire Department
1000 Hours



Call to Order:

1) Chief Lee called the meeting to order at 10am. Members present include:

L. Bohon Lowell	C. Combs Eureka Springs
B. Sloat Fayetteville	P. Lee Springdale
L. Kattabaugh Farmington	B. Gadberry Springdale
M. Sallee Fayetteville	H. Smith Bentonville
B. Earley Bella Vista	O. Carrillo Rogers
L. Lieatard Bella Vista	L. Hewlett Rogers
J. Fox Rogers	M. Swanson Centerton
B. Garbutt Siloam Springs	N. Mason Rogers

Welcome new members or guests:

- Captain Joshua Spencer Siloam Springs
- Omar Carrillo Rogers Fire

Old Business:

1. **Approval of the Minutes** –
 - a. 1st Garbutt 2nd Fox
2. **Exercises-**
 - a. 1st Quarter – XNA to host Plane crash MCI
 - a. Need to contact Chief Breeden to let him know what each department will be sending.
 - b. 3rd Quarter – Eureka Springs to host simulated collapse of downtown.
 - a. February meeting will be a working day
 - b. Lunch to be catered in.
3. **CPAT dates:**
 - a. Dates are on the TOA website for 2025
Setup begins at 9AM @ Fayetteville Training Center
4. **Classes coming up:**
 - a. AFA Instructor I
 - i. Rogers Fire January 27th -31st
 - b. Structure Collapse Tech
 - i. Fayetteville January 14th – 20th

ii **Let Chief Sloat know the names and emails of attendees**

New Business:

1. Review of the Fire Board Meeting

- a Looks like Resource One proposal will be accepted and need to do a pilot Instructor I course. Chief Lee to work on that.

2. Spring Academy – Numbers 28

- a Rogers – 5
- b Springdale – 6
- c Fayetteville – 0
- d Siloam Springs – 2 possibly 3
- e Bella Vista – 6
- f Lowell – 2
- g Bentonville – possibly 3
- h Farmington – 0 in the spring possibly 3 in the fall
- i Centerton – minimum 3 possibly 5
- j Others –

3. 2025 Regional Class Offerings

- a Swift Water Dates: March 24th – 28th and April 7th-11th
 - i Third course may be in the fall depending on water levels.
- b Driver Operator Mar. 3rd-14th - Springdale
- c Aerial Operator Oct. 20th-24th - Springdale
- d NFF Taking Care of your own Feb. 26th - Springdale
- e Arkansas Fire Chiefs Winter Workshop Jan. 31st
- f Instructor I Jan. 27th-31st – Rogers
- g See TOA website for other 2025 classes. Send confirmed classes to Matt Swanson to get on the TOA calendar.

Open Discussion:

Further discussed having a regional Hell Night – need to identify training objectives. Sallee and Hattabaugh to work on this.

Discussed the need to develop an Instructor Guide Book for Recruit Academy. This would help with succession planning. Will plan on working on this during the February meeting if there is time.

Need a host site(s) for the Spring Academy for April 9th and 10 as well as May 12th-23rd. Springdale is conducting promotional testing and department wide Live Fire Training during that time.

Also discussed having a TOA retreat somewhat like the Metro retreat. Options were to go to Norfolk.

4. Next meeting- Eureka Spring primary, Bella Vista if weather is bad January 8th @ 10AM

Motion to Adjourn: 1st Sallee 2nd Sloat Time Adjourned: 11:25

GroupMe – Anyone needing to be added to the GroupMe text group, please send your cell phone information to Chief Sloat at bsloat@fayetteville-ar.gov. 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 mswanson@centertonfire.com