

North Idaho Fire Chiefs' Association
Meeting Summary
April 19, 2018

Meeting called to order by Chief Merritt at 1000 hours at Northern Lakes Fire Station 1 Hayden, Id
In attendance were:

Chief Merritt, KCFR
Steve Isaacson, KCFR
Chief VanErt,
Chief Rowrohasser, South Boundary
Chief Simms, Hauser Lake Fire
Greg Wetzel – 1800 Board Up
Mark Aamodt
Mike Decker PMVFD
Collin McRoy, KCSO 911
Glenn Potter, Inland Insurance
Brian Mc Fadden, Axmen Fire Equip

Mike Mather, NLFD
Scott Hayes, IDL
Tyler Dreulser, NLFD
Chief Smith, CCBFPD
Chief Stocking, Selkirk Fire
Chief Steele, Timberlake Fire
Aaron Cagle, Shoshone
Bill Swan, Emida Fire
Jason Blubaum
Kjell Truesdell, IDL

Online: Dan Ryan, KCFR, Dan Curry, Eastside Fire, Gus Jackson, North Bend

Pledge

Presentation by: Elizabeth Montgomery for Inland Northwest SIDS/SUID

Approval of minutes:

- January minutes approval. Motion to approve Chief VanErt, seconded by Jason Blubaum, Passed

Treasurer's Report:

Chief Simms reported out of report handouts. \$70 credit not reflected

Academy: 9,047.10 received does not include State. Expenses approx. \$4,100

Chief Merritt thanked Greg Wetzel for all the work. Large attendance and successful Academy

NISA material to be loaded on the website to increase awareness for future Academy

Motion by Chief Rahrwasser, seconded Jason Blubaum - motion passed

Committee Reports:

- Communications: Chief Stocking
 - Communication Plan was distributed. Initial attach Communication Plan
 - Found out we do not have a way to communicate across County lines. A subcommittee met to work on Communications Plan. It will be the responsibility of Command to move to the Communications Plan.
 - North Comm Plan (North of I90) and a South Comm Plan (South of I90)
 - Encourages Chiefs format this Communication Plan into their Department SOPs and SOGs or be left out of the plan.
 - Chief Simms suggested put laminated reference in response vehicles. He would like to implement this plan by June 2018

- Chief Stocking is looking to get approval from the Chiefs Assoc. to move forward with implementing the plan.
- Bonner County, Boundary County and Kootenai County Dispatch for this will be CDA dispatch. We know that EM will also call CDA dispatch for resources.
- Three northern county dispatchers are also in on the plan.
- Motion to adopt the plan: Chief Simms, seconded Kjell, Passed
 - Discussion: Chief Steele noted that the VHF radios don't often have multiple groups. Chief Stocking said there are radios, maybe more expensive, that have groups. Chief Simms said he will reach out to Communication Business for surplus radios.
 - Scott Hayes said the Bendix Kings radios Legacy style will be supported by IDL
 - Chief Stocking offered to host a tabletop/training. Next meeting? Expand training to BCs? Two hour Fire Chiefs and bring in lunch?
 - Chief Jackson – online – asks for a July 2018 start. Chief Stocking states the agencies are responsible to implement when they can.
 - Scott Hayes suggested we keep a list of departments on board with the Comms plan. Chief Simms said he would put something on the website.
 - Scanned plans to include in the minutes. (Chief Simms to get this done)
 - Subcommittee will get a training series organized. And determine what channels will be used for training.
 - Worley Fire and Spirit Lake need to sign off on frequencies.
 - Jason Bluebaum will call Chief Naccarto in St. Maries to talk about hosting a training
- By-Laws:
 - Update distributed. Approved back in 2016 but it was not put into action. Chief Merritt read changes. Motion to approve: Chief Aamondt, seconded Chief VanErt
- Honorariums: Chief Simms – course helpers \$75 per day or \$150 for the weekend- Hauser Auxiliary: \$100 gift cards each total 4. Motion stating the above: Jason Blubaum, seconded Chief Rohrwasser. Chief Simms abstained since it is his auxiliary

Legislature:

- Jason Blubaum – Concerned about the movement against safety standards.

Good of the Order:

- Chief Simms – Mr. Young – 1720 NFPA added for volunteer departments

Next Meeting:

May 17, 2018 – Northern Lakes, Hayden Station 1 – Topic – Cancer Prevention

Meeting adjourned. 11:31 pm