

# *WESTERN MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS*

## **General Membership Meeting Minutes**

*Friday, August 24, 2018 11:00AM EST Fifth Third Ballpark*

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice President Alan Styles called today's meeting to order at 11:10AM.

### **ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS**

President – Clark – N/A

Vice President – Styles

1 Year Trustee - Ginebaugh

2 Year Trustee - Munn

3 Year Trustee – Keefe

Past President – Szakacs – N/A

MAFC Board Member – Glotzbach

MAFC Representative - Walker

Secretary-Treasurer – McKellar

Guest(s): Stephanie Johnson (KRKM)

### **TREASURER'S REPORT** – Steve McKellar reported:

Account Balances as of July 31 2018:

Chase Checking - \$10,940.35

Chase Savings - \$100.00

McKellar explained that the PFH fund separate checking account was combined with our daily checking account, which helps with recordkeeping. The Association will continue to donate \$500 to families that meet the criteria in our region.

Motion made to accept & file the treasurer's report.

Made by Keefe, supported by Munn

Motion carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS SENT/RECEIVED:**

- Current president John Clark will step down as president at the October meeting.

### **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:**

- EMS – Glotzbach reported on the following:
  - o Issue came up regarding the use of MABAS Mutual Aid agreement as your documentation for MDHHS. Details provided. More to come as they are willing to meet with us in September.
- FFTC – Styles provided the list of governor appointments to this committee. Chad Tackett then provided an update on state appropriations. He also gave a report on the status of the Work Rules, 291 & increase in course fees.
- BFS / State Fire Marshal – Kevin Sehlmeier provided a report on the following:
  - o Community Risk Reduction Task Force met yesterday.
  - o Economics - AFG grant application
  - o Educations – Fire fatalities. Michigan map provided to show focus of fire locations.
  - o Class B Foam – reporting update
- MAFC – Bob Walker provided a report on the recent conference at Boyne. He also highlighted the Yellow Rose Project, and the generous donation from Sheldon Yellen (Belfor) towards this initiative. Our own Dave Glotzbach is now the President of MAFC.
- MABAS – Trent Atkins & Dave McIntyre continue to work towards training and validation.
- Pennies From Heaven – McKellar had nothing new to report at this time. We will look at other funding options instead of golf.
- Communication / Technology – Styles & Ginebaugh continue keep up with social media
- ByLaws – Gregg Ginebaugh has spearheaded this task, and has sent the most recent version electronically to the Board. After their review & revisions, the final draft will be sent to the membership to be voted on in October.

### **UPCOMING WMAFC EVENTS:**

- CO Training Seminar – Friday, September 21, 2018 at Boulder Creek. Edmund Enright & Bill Hopson have been confirmed.
- October 24, 2018 – general membership meeting at Boulder Creek. Guest speaker Barb Roethler “Social Media”
- December 5, 2018 – Installation Luncheon / Holiday Party –Boulder Creek Golf Club.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> year trustee – please submit names as the vote takes place at the Oct meeting.
- Grant Rapids “Walk of Remembrance – Lehman requested participation
- Sept 6<sup>th</sup> – House of Reps is hosting 9/11 Memorial Ceremony in Lansing
- Submit your open houses to Chief Alan Styles and he will post on WMAFC’s social media.

**ADJOURN** 11:50AM