

# SCSORT Executive Board Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2020

Board Members:

Dennis Ragins  
Tommy Smoot  
David O'Neal  
Brett Reinbolt

Staff/Guests:

Tim Gemind      Leigh-Ann Slaughter  
Lori Pesci        Tim Morgan  
Judy Kelly        Richard Smith  
Rob Keener        Joseph St. John

Board Members Absent:

Steve Leslie

This meeting of the Summit County Special Operations Response Team (SCSORT) Executive Board was called to order by David O'Neal on Monday, March 9, 2020 at 10:03 a.m. in the EMA Conference Room, 175 S. Main St., Suite 103, Akron, Ohio 44308.

- **Approval of minutes – February 11, 2020**

Brett Reinbolt motioned for the approval of the above minutes, with Dennis Ragins as the second. The motion carried by voice vote.

- **Chairperson's Comments/Correspondence**

David O'Neal reviewed and spoke on the correspondence and passed around.

- Electronic vote for tailpipe assembly
- Dave O'Neal approved a purchase for SAR & SAR water grants that was less than \$50 (approx. \$45.09). Will discuss in new business.
- SRA in Barberton
- After action report from Green for near miss incident during water rescue training. Rob Keener reported there was a recall on the swivel. There was a malfunction, and the diver panicked and breathed in water. They also realized they did not have a boat in the water and found out they had defective equipment.
- Tommy Smoot made a motion to accept the application for Josh Chrapowicki (Hazmat) with Brett Reinbolt as the second. The motion carried by voice vote.
- Brett Reinbolt made a motion to approve Paul Amonett's pay sheet with Dennis Ragins as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

- **SORT DISPATCH**

Leigh-Ann Slaughter stated they handled an SRA Hazmat for Barberton on March 4th.

Leigh-Ann, Tommy and Tim Morgan met and will set up a notification group for Region 5 Search and Rescue. Leigh-Ann would like to move Region 5 from under TROT and make it on its own. This would use the same mechanisms but would move out from under TROT on the request form and would involve changing the form. This should not change anything in county. Tommy will work on the form.

Dave O'Neal stated they will be hosting a training in July and will need a few volunteer dispatchers. He will forward the information to Leigh-Ann.

- **INSTRUCTOR TECH**

Dennis Ragins stated he only received one new disbursement for \$130.

- **BRANCH DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- **HAZMAT**

- Report submitted
- SRA for Barberton
- Chlorine leak training which was made into a graded LEPC exercise with 4 objectives. Tim Gemind said we will hear in mid-April if we succeeded with the objectives.

- **WATER**

- Report submitted
- Completed work on SHSP grant
- Received new radio batteries

- **TROT**

- Report submitted
- Training last month at Goodyear with 90 people attending
- Portable radios have a green dot on them and have not done upgrade. Will need to replace batteries.
- Grain Bin training in May.
- 4166 is at Parker Truck and Trailer
- Refresher training for CF personnel

- **IMAT**

- No report

- **REGION V**

Tim Morgan stated the last meeting was 2/26. The 2020 sustainment items are on order for \$7250 (initial) plus \$5000 of unused funds. They will be purchasing GPS units, petzel ids, rope and Dewalt batteries. The FY18 SHSP for heavy lifting supplies is being ordered, FY19 SHSP structural collapse equipment is waiting for approval and for FY20 SHSP they have applied for search cameras and listening devices. Regional 2 is hosting a Technical Search Specialist class April 22-24. They discussed the possibility of co-sponsoring a class with Region 2 for heavy lifting.

- **SPECIAL TEAMS PLANNER**

Tim Gemind passed out the purchase request sheet and discussed. Tim Gemind stated they finished the radiation calibrations, with the lab pulling some out of service. One

laptop was pulled out of service from the IMAT trailer. At the Hazmat ZC meeting, they decided they will be needing new SCBA's. With next year SHSP, they will be applying the SCBA's with this grant and hope to have everything finalized by next January when it is time to apply. Brett Reinbolt made a motion to approve the purchase sheet as amended with Dennis Ragins as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

Tim Gemind passed out the budget sheet. Brett Reinbolt made a motion to approve the budget as submitted with Dennis Ragins as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

David O'Neal stated the MOU's for the trucks are being signed and some have been sent back.

Dave O'Neal stated there is a form for nominating team members for the 2020 Employee High Point Award. Branch directors can nominate someone from your discipline. This will be held May 20<sup>th</sup> at the library. Lori Pesci stated Branch directors will send their nominations to the Board. If it is a group of people, you will have to indicate why. The Board will nominate one person (or group) each year. The application form is due on April 3<sup>rd</sup> to have ready for the April SORT meeting.

Brett Reinbolt stated he is waiting on the most recent moratorium list from the BWC for this grant. As soon as he receives, he will forward to Tommy.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

Rob Keener stated he is in the process of securing dates for the RaeTech training. The tentative dates will be May 4-5 at the Fire Training Academy. He will forward this information to Judy Kelly for a purchase order. There are 16 slots available. Rob Keener will send the information out his week.

David O'Neal asked Lori Pesci to look into adding a value for emergency purchases to the by-laws. Lori will report back at the April meeting. The Board would like Tim Gemind to be authorized to make purchases not to exceed \$100.

- **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

COVID19 discussion. Akron Fire is fit testing for N95, otherwise they are using normal precautions.

- **NEXT MEETING**

April 13, 2020 @ 10:00 in the EMA Conference Room

- **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Motion to adjourn at 10:50am by Brett Reinbolt, seconded by Tommy Smoot.