

SCSORT Executive Board Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2020

Board Members:

Dennis Ragins
Tommy Smoot
David O'Neal
Steve Leslie
Brett Reinbolt

Staff/Guests:

Leigh-Ann Slaughter(Z)
Judy Kelly
Rob Keener(Z)
Richard Smith (Z)

Board Members Absent:

Z= Zoom

This meeting of the Summit County Special Operations Response Team (SCSORT) Executive Board was called to order by Chief O'Neal on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 10:05 a.m. in the EMA Conference Room, 175 S. Main St., Suite 103, Akron, Ohio 44308.

- **Approval of minutes – August 4, 2020**

Chief Reinbolt motioned for the approval of the above minutes, with Steve Leslie as the second. The motion carried by voice vote.

- **Chairperson's Comments/Correspondence**

Chief O'Neal reviewed and spoke on the correspondence.

- 1 Electronic vote for an overage for \$4.97 for the SAR 2020 purchase.
- Tony Calabro will be on leave from Hazmat for 6 months. Steve Leslie stated it is noted that Tony will be on a leave of absence and inactive at this point. Chief Leslie made a motion to remove Kevin Dupree (TROT/Water), Brian Riedel (Water), Joe McVey (HazMat), Rick Razek (Water) and Stan Bindas (Water) with Brett Reinbolt as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

- **SORT DISPATCH**

Leigh-Ann Slaughter stated Dispatch has been busy with 3 activations (Akron Hazmat on 8/25, Norton Hazmat on 9/9 and the out of county dive on 9/12).

The Akron Hazmat with the tanker was the busiest call. The CAD notes were entered and all the times are in. A CAD upgrade was occurring and CAD was just coming back up when the Akron Hazmat call came in. Leigh-Ann stated it was interesting to see how far forward the new CAD system has brought us. We assisted Akron with the callout since it was such a massive callout. The callout when went smoothly on their end.

The Norton HazMat call on 9/9 went smoothly.

Leigh-Ann stated for the Milton Township call out – they called in directly to dispatch so EMA was called for approval. The paperwork was faxed to Milton PD requesting the

team, was not filled out and turned in. She requested a task force leader or branch director to give some type of acknowledgement that page is received to the dispatchers. Chief Leslie suggested acknowledging on the MERC channel to stay consistent across the Branches. They will also need to let dispatch know when the assets are back in service, if the Branch Director sends direct messages to the team through the notification system.

***After the meeting Leigh-Ann confirmed the Water Rescue Deputy Branch Director acknowledged the page by calling dispatch but didn't identify who he was representing properly.

- **INSTRUCTOR TECH**

Dennis Ragins stated there is still money left in the account. He passed out the Instructor-Tech Report. Chief Reinbolt made a motion to approve the timesheets for Paul Amonett and Richard Smith with Chief Leslie as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

- **BRANCH DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- **HAZMAT**

- Report submitted
- No monthly training due to COVID19, everyone is doing training in-house.
- Bids were finalized for the 2018 DHS Grant cycle.
- SRA on Norton FD for a diesel Fuel leak.
- SRA for Rt 8 with tanker fire. Tim Gemind is working on billing for this callout.

- **WATER**

- Report submitted
- Working on request packages for SHSP.
- September training was moved to November to dive in a quarry in Barberton.
- Out of county callout to Milton Township.
- Next training 10/1-3 in Tallmadge for night dive training.

- **TROT**

- Report submitted
- Finished trench training in Hudson with Speed Shores (12-15 attended).
- Search cameras are not holding charge. TROT did get approval for part of a grant, but it has not been released yet.
- Would like to send a letter to Jason Friedt at Tower Rescue.
- Took truck 4166 to Parker for repair.
- Hoping to do joint training with water 10/14-16 at Brandywine.
- Akron had a call out for man in a tree cutting incident.

- **IMAT**

- Report submitted
- Training via Zoom 9/9.
- COVID checklist sent in for approval.

- Sept 12 & 13 the trailer was used by SCPH for COVID19 testing.

- **REGION V**

No report

- **SPECIAL TEAMS PLANNER**

Tim Gemind sent in his 214. Tim attending TROT, Hazmat and Water Zone Coordinator meetings. Hazmat was awarded a PUCO grant for Hazmat training classes to be held before June 2021 for approximately \$8000. Hazmat is still demoing SCBA's.

Tim Gemind stated he sent out one purchase request for emergency scissors with sheath for Water. Chief Leslie made a motion to approve the purchase request sheet (79.96) to amend to include the ViewSonic projector (\$315.98) and the IPEVO Document Camera (\$129) for the IMAT team with Chief Reinbolt as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

Tim Gemind submitted the budget sheet. Chief Leslie made a motion to approve the budget as submitted with Brett Reinbolt as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

Chief O'Neal stated the SOG has been completed. Judy will email the SOG to Director's and assistant Branch directors. Richard Smith stated TROT does not have all their forms included on the SOG since they change.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

Chief O'Neal stated all the MOU's are in place with the jurisdictions that are housing vehicles. Chief O'Neal asked if the contract with University of Akron can be terminated. Chief Leslie made a motion to end the Instructor Tech program that is currently in effect with University of Akron shall be terminated immediately all outstanding instructor tech hours must be presented to the board by October 13, 2020 with Chief Reinbolt as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

Tommy Smoot stated Tim Gemind brought up the purchase of duodote kits of 30 kits for Akron and 30 kits for the County truck at the last Domestic Preparedness Committee meeting. Currently all the kits are expired. Steve Leslie discussed staggering the purchase so they do not expire at the same time. Tommy Smoot stated the main issue is sustainment. Chief Reinbolt made a motion to purchase 30 duodote kits with Dennis

Ragins as the second. The motion carried by voice vote. Rob Keener stated the purpose of the kits were to provide protection for the Hazmat responders at an incident. Originally there were 90 kits per truck which has been trimmed back to 30 per truck which will cover the amount required for each team presently. Rob stated there is no definitive study regarding the expired kits.

- **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

None

- **NEXT MEETING**

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

- **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Chief Leslie made a motion to adjourn with Chief Leslie as the second. The motion approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 11:10 pm.