

# SCSORT Executive Board Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2023

Board Members:

Tommy Smoot  
Steve Leslie  
Dennis Ragins  
Brett Reinbolt  
Mike Angerstien

Staff/Guests:

Tim Gemind  
Richard Smith  
Judy Kelly  
Rob Keener  
Lori Pesci  
Steve Bosso

Board Members Absent:

Z= Zoom

Chief Reinbolt called to order this meeting of the Summit County Special Operations Response Team (SCSORT) Executive Board on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 10:03 am in the EMA Conference Room, 175 S. Main St., Suite 103.

- **Approval of minutes – February 14, 2023**

Chief Leslie motioned to approve the February 14, 2023, minutes, with Tommy Smoot as the second. The motion was approved by voice vote.

- **Chairperson's Comments/Correspondence**

Chief Reinbolt reviewed and spoke on the correspondence.

- No electronic votes
- No training reimbursements
- Chief Leslie motioned to accept the application for Jerry Burroughs (TROT) and Jason-Anthony Tate (Hazmat), with Tommy Smoot as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.
- Chief Leslie motioned to accept the resignation of Lt. Eric Ellis (TROT), with Tommy Smoot as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

- **SORT DISPATCH**

None

- **BRANCH DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- **HAZMAT**
  - No report submitted
  - Training on HazCat
- **WATER**
  - Report submitted.
  - Zone meeting – new members and agenda items for 2023
  - EMAC deployment forms sent in

- An appointment is scheduled with the SCSO on 3/28 to discuss their involvement
- **TROT**
  - Report submitted.
  - Tommy Smoot stated we received an extension to the SAR and SAR Water grants until July 31, 2023
  - Joint training with the swift water team in the CVNP and Cuyahoga River
  - Tallmadge is hosting a rope 1 class May 16-19
  - Green is hosting Confined Space October 2023 from IAFF
  - Discussed old equipment storage to move to Marsh Rd location for decommissioning
  - Tallmadge Station #2 will open Friday. The TROT vehicle from CFFD #5 will move to this new location, and Andy Miller will advise
  - Discussed tire replacement for two TROT vehicles – Tim will advise. Chief Reinbolt suggested having the tires inspected and further discussions with Chief Underwood
  - Flatbed truck in Sharon Township – Richard Smith will check to see if only yellow lenses can be installed on the light bar.
- **IMAT**
  - No activations
  - We hosted the monthly training on ICS forms at the SCPHD DOC. Also, a briefing was provided by the chiefs who responded to East Palestine.
  - Discussion on the possibility of opening a JIC for the City of Akron APD in April

## **REGION V**

No updates

- **SPECIAL TEAMS PLANNER**

Tim Gemind stated we replaced the leaking vents on two TROT trailers.

Tim Gemind stated he received an email from the Law Department regarding the Barberton Steel reimbursement. Per the Law Department, we will not be pursuing them.

Tim Gemind stated we renewed the hazmat pharmacy drug license.

Tim Gemind stated he would order the 30 Duo dote kits as soon as he receives a signature from Dr. McHugh.

Tim Gemind provided a spreadsheet with the status of Hazmat cost recoveries since 2016.

Lt Burrows (New Franklin), Zone Coordinator for the Water Branch, will retire next month. Chief Leslie will be providing a replacement.

Tim Gemind discussed the purchase request on the monthly purchase sheet. Chief Leslie motioned to approve the purchase sheet submitted with Tommy Smoot as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

Tim Gemind stated the new budget sheet is \$109,900. We are trying to develop the display for budget reporting purposes.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

Chief Reinbolt stated he is continuing to tour the SCSORT storage equipment with Tim.

Capt. Amonett and Tim Gemind are working on a presentation for SORT Dispatch for callouts/SRAs. They will forward it to the SCSORT Board for approval.

- **PIPELINE FUNDS**

Tommy Smoot stated there were no applications received for the Pipeline Funding Grant. He received a couple of questions regarding the grant but no applications.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

Chief Reinbolt discussed adding a drone team and having a managing entity for organizational structure. The SCSORT Board discussed the need to find a long-term solution and sustainability. Tommy Smoot stated EMA created a survey in June to determine how many local department teams were in Summit County. Chief Reinbolt said he would take to the SCFCA to assemble a group to discuss further.

- **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

None

- **NEXT MEETING**

April 11, 2023, @ 10 am in the EMA Conference Room

- **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Chief Leslie made a motion to adjourn with Chief Angerstien as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.