

# SCSORT Executive Board Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2024

Board Members:

Tommy Smoot  
Steve Leslie  
Brett Reinbolt  
Dennis Ragins  
Joseph Shumaker

Staff/Guests:

Rob Keener  
Judy Kelly  
Steve Bosso (Z)  
Tim Gemind  
Richard Smith

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, May 14, 2024, at 10:02 a.m. in the Summit County EMA Conference Room.

- **Approval of minutes – April 9, 2024**

Chief Leslie motioned to approve the April 9, 2024, minutes, with Chief Shumaker as the second. The motion was approved by voice vote.

- **Chairperson's Comments/Correspondence**

Chief Reinbolt reviewed and spoke on the correspondence.

- One electronic vote for the updated SORT team dispatch form.
- The SCSORT Board discussed the re-application from the Sheriff's Office for the Water Branch. The Board requested Tim Gemind reach out to Chief Cottle from the SCSO to attend the next SCSORT Board meeting. Chief Leslie motioned to table the application until the next meeting with Chief Shumaker as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote. Tommy Smoot motioned to approve Austin Whisman's (Water) application, with Chief Shumaker as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.
- The Board discussed a training reimbursement for District Chief Duber (\$1320) and Tim Morgan (\$385 & \$880). Chief Leslie motioned to approve, with District Chief Shumaker as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

- **SORT DISPATCH**

No report

- **BRANCH DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- **HAZMAT**

- Rob Keener stated the team received a notice from 908 about an update for the software. They are waiting for clarification on what the update entails.
- This month's training is Cameo at Akron U
- Next month's training is air monitoring by Noble

- **WATER**
  - Report submitted.
  - A team member lost a radio during last month's swiftwater training. The team could not locate the radio after numerous searches and the radio will be taken off the county system.
  - The vendor will fix a couple of drysuits that came in with the wrong sizes
  - Public Safety Instructor class this week – 9 in class
  - Sent damaged water rescue lift bag to Subvalve
  - Received a potential for deployment to assist Texas with flooding
  
- **TROT**
  - Report submitted.
  - Confined space training will be at Kent State University on June 12 and 13. Macedonia asked about possibly providing Ops to confined space technicians. Richard sent a letter to ZC proposing that Macedonia members complete an NFPA checklist to be certified technicians. Rob Keener stated that the IFF will teach a confined space tech class in September at Akron Fire Training Center.
  - HERS class last week – 32 people attended and completed all four days
  - 4136 & 4166 have roof leaks; we may need a vendor to examine them for repairs.
  - The Branch is currently discussing bridging vs ground pads
  - Discussed spec sheet for upcoming grant
  - We discussed sharing information from HERS training concepts with other team members who could not attend.
  
- **IMAT**
  - Report submitted.
  - Trained with Water/Trot in April
  - Starlink set up and tested.
  - We will be using SRA to determine how many people need to respond.

- **REGION V**

No meeting

- **SPECIAL TEAMS PLANNER**

Tim Gemind discussed the purchase sheet. The Board previously approved \$5,000.00 for IMAT startup costs, including Starlink. We purchased the unit and a one-month subscription. We will use the balance for the monthly subscription for the next 30 months. The IMAT branch needs an additional \$1300 of equipment for the IMAT trailer (printer, t-cards) from the pipeline funds. Chief Shumaker motioned to approve the purchase sheet as submitted, with Chief Leslie as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

We emailed the SORT Board budget with all expenses to date. We distributed the SCSORT 2022-2023 bi-annual report. We are still working on the carryover budget.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

The check is in the mail from the Hazmat spiller from the Macedonia incident.

New SCBAs were put into service a few months ago. Ten Drager SCBAs are 15 years old, and the Board decided to surplus them.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

None

- **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

15 people are needed to attend the Hazmat Tech Class hosted by Springfield in September

- **NEXT MEETING**

June 11, 2024, @ 10 a.m. in the EMA Conference Room.

- **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Chief Leslie motioned to adjourn with Chief Shumaker as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.