

SCSORT Executive Board Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2025

Board Members:

Tommy Smoot
Brett Reinbolt
Joseph Shumaker
Steve Leslie

Staff/Guests:

Scott Pascu Richard Smith(z)
Tim Gemind Steve Bosso (z)
David O'Neal
Rob Keener
Brad Hemphill

Board Members Absent:

Dennis Ragins

Z= Zoom

Chief Reinbolt called the Summit County Special Operations Response Team (SCSORT) Executive Board meeting to order on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 10:01 am in the Summit County EMA Conference Room.

- **Approval of minutes – April 8, 2025**

Tommy Smoot motioned to approve the minutes from April 8, 2025, with Chief Leslie as the second. The motion was approved by voice vote.

- **Chairperson's Comments/Correspondence**

Chief Reinbolt reviewed and spoke on the correspondence.

- Two electronic votes – replace two hazmat meter battery packs and IMAT trailer improvements
- Chief Leslie motioned to approve Matt Micozzi's transfer (Hazmat Green to Reminderville), with Tommy Smoot as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.
- Chief Leslie motioned to accept the resignation of Justin Pratt (TROT and Water) with Chief Shumaker as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.
- Tommy Smoot made a motion to approve two training reimbursements, Tim Morgan for \$247.50 and Andrew Hopkins for \$247.50, with Chief Leslie as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.
- Chief Leslie made a motion to approve Kelly Clark as Zone Coordinator for Hazmat (South) with Tommy Smoot as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.
- Chief Leslie motioned to approve Assistant Chief Brad Hemphill as IMAT Deputy Branch Director, with Chief Shumaker as the second. The motion was carried by voice vote.

- **SORT DISPATCH**

David O'Neal stated there were two callouts on May 10th and 12th. One was a callout in Green with an individual stuck in a drain that was resolved before a team callout. The other was a callout to Macedonia. The dispatcher sent the wrong request (SECC resolved the issue); Andy Miller responded to Macedonia to ensure the team wasn't needed. SECC Dispatch requires a phone call first to determine what is needed, followed by a fax. Then they will put out the information request. David will send the instructions out to the PSAPs to refresh everyone.

- **BRANCH DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- **HAZMAT**

- Report submitted
 - Getting ready for team typing
 - Getting quotes for the suit testing kits
 - Next week, they will participate in functional exercise (non-graded) at the Cuyahoga Falls water department
 - LEPC graded exercise is July 16th in Macedonia with Norfolk Southern
 - Cost recovery from Clean Harbors received for \$4,033.90
 - Grant-funded training on July Air Monitoring and August Highway/Rail class
 - Sent four technicians to Chicago for the Midwest Conference the first weekend in May
 - Sending four personnel to Baltimore in June on behalf of the LEPC

- **WATER**

- Akron Fire is hosting a Public Safety Diver Class that will produce 14 new, fully qualified divers by the end of two weeks.
 - Tim attended the Lift Bag Training a couple of weeks ago

- **TROT**

- Report submitted.
 - Training in Hudson that was off-county was cancelled
 - Training in the National Park on the 12th, which included patient packaging and repelling scenarios off the ledges. We received good feedback
 - Call out to Clinton - Josh Compton from Green responded early on, and he determined that the whole team was not needed.
 - June training will be at James A. Garfield with the Army National Guard.
 - Following the Macedonia TROT incident, discussions began about Macedonia housing the rescue truck from Green. Tim Black is the service director in Northfield Center, but it's up to the trustees and the fire department to sign the MOU with the county. This would put both TROT vehicles at the north end of the county.
 - The new trailer has been lettered.

- **IMAT**

- Report submitted.
 - Training in the valley last month and at trauma in the park on May 12th
 - Appreciate all the equipment enhancements for the IMAT trailer
 - Issues with getting access to the trailer, but that is getting resolved
 - Solar generator works very well
 - Will be going to Camp Garfield in June and the LEPC drill in July

- **REGION V**

No report – the next meeting will be in June.

- **SPECIAL TEAMS PLANNER**

Tim Gemind discussed the purchase sheet. Chief Leslie motioned to approve it, with Tommy Smoot as the second. The motion was carried and approved by voice vote.

Tim stated that due to leftover grant money, we were able to get 15 portable radios with gang chargers for IMAT. These are currently at the IMAT Trailer, with Green being prepared for mounting.

For the Hazmat replacement truck, we are waiting on drawings. Last month, we met with Sutphen, and he is meeting with his engineers for drawings. In two weeks, we will meet with EVI.

Tim is updating the hazmat forms used on callouts and creating an electronic folder for all the forms, which will allow for editing and revision as necessary.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

None

- **NEW BUSINESS**

None

- **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

None

- **NEXT MEETING**

June 17, 2025 @ 10 am in the EMA Conference Room

- **MEETING ADJOURNED**

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