

WESTERN MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS

General Membership Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 26, 2022 11:00AM EST Boulder Creek Golf Club

CALL TO ORDER – President Keefe called today’s meeting to order at 11:00AM.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

President – Keefe

Vice President - Cleveland

1 Year Trustee – Peterson - Absent

2 Year Trustee – Erskine - Absent

3 Year Trustee – Witherell

Past President – Ginebaugh - Absent

MAFC Board Member – Glotzbach - Absent

Secretary/Treasurer - McKellar

PUBLIC COMMENT – Roundtable introductions followed of vendors attending today’s meeting.

TREASURER’S REPORT – McKellar reported the following:

MiChiefs Account Balances as of Oct 26, 2022:

Checking \$19,455.22

PAC \$7,083.25

Yellow Rose \$22,591.92

Financial report accepted and filed.

COMMUNICATIONS SENT/RECEIVED: Board members received an email from MAFC president Jeff Roberts, explaining his retirement situation and his decision to step down as president of the Organization. Chief Cleveland provided details of the shifting of board positions, as Chief Johnny Menifee moved up from VP to Pres, and Chief Stoecklein move from SE Pres into the interim MAFC VP position, effective immediately. Discussion followed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS / REPRESENTATIVE ASSIGNMENTS:

- Legislative: Keefe asked Cleveland to provide an update on Legislative Issues. Cleveland reported that things are quiet, as entering lame duck period, though Yaroch’s bill (HB6086) allowing 16yo to be licensed has stalled, as MAFC has opposed this from the onset. He will continue to keep us posted.
- MFFTC: Cleveland provided brief report on the allocation of funds, and the FO3 class.
- BFS/State Fire Marshal: Cleveland reported that they now have 500,000 smoke alarms available for distribution. Working with SE region to host a Vision 20/20 Community Risk Reduction class on Nov 3rd in Canton. Register via MiChiefs.org
- MAFC: Glotzbach/Cleveland/Keefe – Nothing more to report, as Cleveland already covered.
- MABAS: McKellar provided insight on the recent Menominee deployment request.
- Communication/Tech: No report
- ByLaws: McKellar/Keefe – Nothing to report at this time.
- Yellow Rose TF: Glotzbach/Ginebaugh – No report.
- Pennies from Heaven: McKellar – Nothing to report.

UPCOMING WMAFC EVENTS

- December 7, 2022 – Installation & Holiday Luncheon
- March 29, 2023 – Paul Combs
- May 24, 2023 – TBA
- August 2, 2023 – Legislative Luncheon at LMCU Ballpark
- September 23, 2023 – Full Day Training “The 9 L’s Impacting the Culture” featuring Corley Moore
- October 25, 2023 – Mike O’Brian / Electric Vehicles

NEW BUSINESS

- Election – Keefe called for nominations from the floor three (3) times, and hearing none. The two candidates (Thea Dornbush & David Pelton) both addressed the membership. Ballots were distributed

to voting members. Board reviewed the vote and announced that Chief David Pelton won the election as incoming 3rd year trustee. He will be sworn in at the Dec 7th meeting.

OLD BUSINESS - None

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Denny Hughes thanked everyone for their support of their gently used equipment, and also announced that Belfor recently acquired 1800BoardUp. Introductions followed of staff.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – 11:30AM