



Clay County Fire Chief's Association

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, April 8th, 2015, 1900 hours, Moorhead Station 1

1. Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 1900 hours

2. Toward Zero Death Grant – Jane Patrick

Jane and Derek Swenson (Moorhead Police) gave an overview of what the Toward Zero Death program is and asked for support from the Fire Departments in terms of advertising and promotion of the programs. They also asked if we could participate in after-accident meetings, reporting of success stories and giving information about problem roadway accident areas. A recent Clay County seatbelt survey resulted in about 50% utilization. That used to be much higher.

Barnesville will participate in a mock crash on April 23rd. Ulen seatbelt poster contest in the Elementary school. TZD folks would like us to help at community parades.

If you're interested in participating, you can fill out the attached form and forward it to Bryan Green.

3. Burn Restrictions – Bill Bergquist

Bill could not attend. Mark Empting reported that people must follow the permit requirements in each municipality. Dispatch has been confused about ND and MN differences while things are dry. State burn restrictions do not apply in Clay County.

4. ARMER Presentation & Update – Bryan Green

Bryan Green and Brian Zastoupil discussed the ARMER System, what has driven us to begin a migration plan, discussed costs and timelines. Bryan will send out additional information to all by e-mail. We will be applying for a FIRE Act grant through Dilworth fire for all volunteer departments. If successful, we're looking at a go-live timeframe in the first quarter of 2017. We will be migrating to alpha-numeric pagers, and we will have to do minor reprogramming of Outdoor Warning Sirens to change frequencies.

5. American Red Cross

Terry reminded us that they have a smoke detector installation project to improve community safety. They partner with local fire departments in install smoke alarms in trailer homes and other target areas. Contact him at (218) 354-2469 or tmaskin@bvillemn.net

6. 2015 County-Wide Exercise – Bryan Green

No exercise being planned at this time.

7. Updated Roster and Equipment – Bryan Green

We need to do this. No current action.

8. Chief's Roundtable

Bryan Green - talked about the turkey bird flu outbreak in Minnesota and the three and six kilometer kill zones they will setup if a flock tests positive. We may need to help isolate areas if a mass kill is performed. It has not migrated to chickens yet, but it is a possibility.

Next week is severe weather awareness week. 1:15 6:55 pm siren activations are planned.

Spotter next Monday the 20th 1-3pm afternoon at the LEC and in the evening Evening in Barnesville.

Ipaws surveys will be distributed to all departments to get counts of smart phones, tablets, MDCs and computers that need integration.

Mark Empting asked anyone needing radios programmed to bring them to the July meeting in Sabin.

Ulen Fire asked about natural gas training. Bryan Green will check on this.

Glyndon asked what everyone is charging homeowners per call. Hawley is at \$375, most others are still at \$300. They asked if we should adjust our rates. We discussed bringing the commercial rate up to \$700.

BNSF came in and did a class and they were very impressed with this class. Let Bryan Green know if you would like the class.

Their stag in this Saturday. \$30.00 and funds several area donations.

9. Next Meeting in Sabin, July 8th - Meeting adjourned at 2027 hours

Future Meeting Dates & Locations:

7/8/15 Sabin

10/14/15 Ulen

1/13/16 Barnesville

4/13/16 Dilworth

7/13/16 Felton

10/12/16 Glyndon

1/11/17 Hawley

4/12/17 Hitterdal

7/12/17 Moorhead

People in Attendance:

American Red Cross – Terry Askin

Clay County Sheriff – Bryan Green

Dilworth Fire – Rich Eggert, Mark Empting

Felton Fire – Rodney Dahlsad

Glyndon Fire – Bob Cuchna

Hawley Fire – Brad Eldrid, Justin Martin

Moorhead Fire – Rich Duysen, Chad Stangeland, Jeff Wallin

RRRDC – Brian Zastoupil

Sabin-Elmwood Fire – Chad Bryan, Randy Schmidt

Ulen Fire – Joe Mozley, Lyle Steichen