



Mohave County Fire Officer's Association

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- Host:** Bullhead Fire District
- Location:** Fire Station #2 – 1230 Highway 95, Bullhead City, AZ
- Date:** January 25th, 2024
- Time:** 12:00 pm
- Attendance:** Bullhead, Desert Hills, Golden Shores, Colorado City, Kingman, Lake Mohave Ranchos, Northern AZ, Red Cross, RMI, MCC, Mohave Valley, Grand Canyon West, AZDFFM, Golden Valley, Oatman, Hualapai Forestry, Emergency Management, Fort Mojave, and Lake Havasu

Minutes

- I. Call to order: Meeting called to order by President Dave Cunningham at 12:00
- II. Pledge of Allegiance: Conducted
- III. Introductions: Will Nelson – Grand Canyon West
- IV. Lunch: Break for lunch
- V. Presentations: No Scheduled
- VI. Approval of November 2023 meeting minutes: Motion to approve T. Martin, seconded by J. Yeager. Motion passed
- VII. Approval of November/December 2023 treasurer's report: Stanec reported we have a beginning of 2024 balance of \$35,475.62, he added MCFOA cut a check to support the JPA Study. All agencies involved have reimbursed the association. Motion to approve T. Martin, seconded by J. Yeager, motion passed
- VIII. Group Reports
 - A. AZ Forestry/Fire Marshal Division: Shumate reported on the upcoming CFRA renewals, he added there will be a 15% increase to rates due to inflation. He reminded the group if you add a new apparatus to the current CFRA to make sure DFFM knows so they can approve it on their end, if not it voids the entire CFRA. He spoke on the SB 1720 grant funding opportunity, letting everyone know the application period is open. He closed his report by informing the group DFFM is working with the Feds on RX fire projects and ways assigned cooperators can seek reimbursement.
 - B. Mohave County Wildland Fire Committee: T. Martin reported no resources are out and reminded the cooperators to check their status on the website
 - C. Fire Resource Group: No report
 - D. BLM: Laing reported Rob Roy could not attend, due to schedule conflict but will try to make it to our next meeting
 - E. Emergency Management: Browning reported on:

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- He has been sending out information on the increased terrorism threats throughout the country. He's asking local agencies if they see something suspicious to please report it to law enforcement.
- Red Cross has low volunteer staffing, expect delays when requesting.
- Community services Atlas program brings non profits together to support families in need following an emergency.
- He opened a regional comms projects conversation, suggesting every agency have one comms expert and would like to see those people meet to ensure the products we are purchasing are interoperable.
- ADEQ Tier II site has been updated and is asking fire departments, especially prevention divisions to get involved to identify HAZMAT in the county.
- They are hoping in 2024 to have a drill in Bullhead.

F. Legislative: Moore reported legislation is back in session, it will be tough to get bills through and passed due to it being an election year. Neither side wants to increase taxes. The FDAT bill is sitting without a sponsor. There are two other bills to keep an eye on PTSD & CON bills. It will be a tough year with the states 800-million-dollar shortfall.

G. AZ Fire Chiefs: Yeager reported they are in the final stages of the Statewide mutual aide agreement. Flanagan added, they have grant opportunities now to help rural districts send members to training, such as Executive Fire Officer.

H. AFDA: T. Martin reported there were 438 conference attendees with positive feedback. They will now begin to prepare for the summer conference.

I. WAFMA: D. Martin reported the association met this month. They invited the ATF to attend and provided training. He mentioned the ATF is always a resource if a department needs help with an investigation. There is a IFC Inspectors class coming up.

J. WACEMS: Taylor reported the provider grants were approved and items awarded should be arriving soon.

VI. Training/Education (classes scheduled throughout the State)

1. S-230/S-231 Crew/Engine Boss Feb 12-15, 2024 Bullhead, AZ
2. F0612 - Command and Control of Wildland Urban Interface Fire Operations for the Structural Chief Officer – April 4 & 5, Kingman, AZ
3. F0760 - New Fire Chief: Challenging Issues – April 17 & 18, Bullhead, AZ

VII. Old Business

1. County HazMat Response: Pilafas reported LHC is sending 3 individuals to Haz-Tech training in Colorado and they are switching to Hazmat ID tools

VIII. New Business

1. MCFOA hosted Training/Seminar Discussion: Stanec opened the discussion if we would like to bring back the MCFOA hosted Seminars that have been cancelled

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since Covid. Neil added, he thought the training was great and benefited everyone. Stanec said if it is the wishes of the group, he will begin reaching out to speakers and contacting venues and will give an update at the next meeting.

- IX. Round Table: Respective round table topics discussed
- X. Executive Session (if requested): No executive session requested
- XI. Next meeting/location: February 22, 2024 (Scheduled for **Fort Mojave Mesa FD**) Fort Mojave agreed to host next meeting, location TBD
- XII. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned by President Dave Cunningham