



**MABAS Special Ops Work Group
MINUTES**

October 27, 2021 10:00 AM

**~~MOB Center~~
7377 Grange Hall Road, Holly**

*Zoom Meeting Only
Meeting info in email*

1. Call to Order - President Parker called today's meeting to order at 10:02AM
Present: Atkins, Martin, McGee, McIntyre, Parker, Tuller, Stone, Whitehead
2. Approval of Meeting Agenda – approved as submitted. No changes.
3. Review of August 18, 2021 Meeting Notes – approved as submitted.
4. Financial Report – McIntyre provided details on the current financial information, as well as documents that were sent to this group prior to today's meeting.
 - a. Account balances as of 10/20/2021
 - i. Fund Balance \$127,098.19
 - ii. FY21 State Appropriation Year End Report – Version 6 sent to group for reference. Please provide comments. Month to month expenditures along with year-end to LARA.
 - iii. FY22 State Appropriation Agreement and Budget – grant agreement explained, as we actually received two grants totaling \$2Mil - \$1Mil for one-time for equipment improvement for Task Force, and another \$1Mil for similarly budgeted items in the past.

LARA wants the Equipment Budget line reporting to be separate from the USAR budget.

Equipment Committee started meeting immediately due to lead time of major purchases. I have sent out the committees' preliminary priorities. The first priority is to standardize our ride/load plans for the Type III Task Force, Type I Swiftwater and the Incident Support Trailer. Currently we leave trailers unattached and equipment out of the vehicles so we can adjust to the request. Our goal is to have everything deployment ready so we can cut down on our mobilization time. Also, FEMA has separated the capabilities and EMAC requests may or may not include water.

Two water rescue pick-ups information (sent 2nd email). Based off the truck we have seen several times in South Bend. This will allow us to dedicate a pickup to the Incident Support Trailer and possibly free up a sprinter van for Crew Transport or mobile command post. Gorno Ford dealership stated quoted pricing on 2022 is good until Nov 1st. We should order now to receive in April. McGee made a motion to move forward with purchasing these two vehicles (not to exceed \$200K). Seconded by Tuller. Motion carried.

5. Program Director – McIntyre reported on the following:
 - Work Plan Update included: Last week's orientation for 22 members: 14-Rescue, 3-Canines, 2-Medical, 1- Hazmat, Comms and TIS. Wide range of training and experience
 - Strike Team Leader Training 12/1 – Virtual only. Trent has been sending invites.
 - Admin Days: Dec 12-15 held at the MOB. Anticipating sending 70 people through medical clearance.
 - DFD participation: we'll establish a standing meeting on the second Friday of every month at 10:00, starting Nov 12th. Derek Hillman to maintain agenda and traction.
 - MSP EMHAS EM Monthly webinar opportunity - As a result of our Sept demonstration to MSP and DFD, we have been offered a standing agenda item of 5-10 minutes to discuss MI-

TF1 capabilities and resources. The first webinar is 11/18. We will be meeting with Lt Covey next week.

Inter-ops Conference Presentation in March 2022 –

6. Training & Exercise Coordinator – Whitehead reported on the following FY22 training plans
 - a. Work Plan Update – FY22 USAR Comms Specialist course in IL (4 attendees attending), Dec 1st Strike Team training, as well as the Dec 12-15 admin days. Fit testing & Medical clearances. Looking at the week of May 9th training exercise at the Grayling facility. Water Symposium in South Bend in June. Looking into Rescue Boat operating / advanced course in Ashville, NC. Also focusing on combined section trainings. HART Core Academy, dates tbd for 2nd quarter in 2022.
7. Deployment Coordinator – Martin reported
 - a. Work Plan Update – reviewed schedules for validation of tech rescue (2nd event), hazmat validation of WW at DTW. Reviewed the plan for tracking specialized equipment, and what should be included on that list and how to categorize. This is anticipated to be a long-working project, so more to come. Martin explained the process, and how the process of tracking is expected to work. McGee asked about the validation effective dates. Martin provided insight, and McIntyre referred to the policy as it references three years, which everyone agreed should be reviewed.
8. Old Business
 - a. Hurricane Dorian Update – McIntyre provided brief report, as we have not heard any updates from either state. MSP continues to reach out for us.
 - b. Special Ops Validations: 3201 Tech, WW Hazmat, BC Hazmat – Martin already covered during his report.
 - c. HART Program Agreement, Hold Harmless HART, Seats Out, Hold Harmless Grayling – McIntyre provided details re: MOU (sent 2nd email) as Bri called yesterday and is sending it for the state’s review. She asked if anyone from the state was involved with this revision, which Trent was not aware.

Page 2 of that MOU states that we will have a policy titled “MI-MABAS Aviation Rescue Technical Training Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). Shadd and I worked to develop the attached policy (Sent 2nd email) The policy is centered around NG SOP 18.1 but establishes the structure and training requirements. It is our intention to have Shadd be the Coordinator and Chris to be the Lead. We are going to host all the required documentation in D4H. Motion made by Tuller to approve this policy and then forward to the Executive Board for their approval, seconded by McGee. Motion carried.

This is a very important deliverable to the state legislatures. We are hoping to participate in a spring academy.

- d. Vaccination Policy – FEMA Directive - FEMA is requiring all members to be fully vaccinated for deployments and trainings. The leadership group has decided to wait until MIOSHA decides.

9. Work Groups

- a. IMT (McGee) – State continues to have meetings with MSP, as we move forward. Oakland County has taken over 3201’s IMT. Thom Hardesty will be the go-to person. More to come as they are working through details. McGee highlighted the recent Flat Rock activation, which had several issues. McIntyre asked about resurrecting the original white paper from 2014 and using as the basis for D4H & qualifications, and three person teams. McIntyre asked about the process on how they get activated – is it locally or thru MSP. McGee explained that right now it’s locally, as people are calling McGee directly. This process will be fixed, as requests should go to Oakland County. Reimbursement process will be reviewed. More to come.
- b. HazMat Whitehead reported - MSP Work group met 9/17: MSP District Coordinators duties, MSP Team roster is available. McIntyre will share the following access info:
MI Hazmat Teams interactive map: <https://arcg.is/mrebb>

Username: HazmatTeams / Password: HazmatRoster21

- c. TRT - Martin had nothing more to report at this time.

10. New Business

- a. Michigan Fire Service Conference/Midwest Expo Participation – McIntyre provided details for this cooperative event with the MiChiefs. April 11-13, 2022 event. We're working together finalizing the agenda. McIntyre highlighted the schedule and presentation topics. Held at Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.
- b. Flat Rock incident - Trent met with the Downriver fire chiefs last week. He provided details from that recent meeting and reported how the Flat Rock Hazmat incident was dispatched. Will keep us posted as he learns more.
- c. Trent spoke with Legal Counsel Julie Secontine earlier today – Atkins provided update related to indemnification contract status and delay, as Amanda no longer works with MI-ARNG. Secontine also asked Trent about the status of the MSP MOU.
- d. Trent mentioned they are looking to add a few more counties in the next few months.

11. Next Meeting/Adjourn

Adjournment – 11:10AM