

***Minutes of the
St. Clair/Monroe County
Fire Chiefs Association
September 22, 2011***

Meeting was called to order at 8:13 p.m. by President Brent Saunders

President Saunders thanked Columbia FD for hosting the meeting.

President Saunders thanked Chief Bryan Doyle for his efforts to set up the showcase.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2011 meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report - The chief's checking account balance is \$8375.39. Motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

The Belleville Enrichment Committee is working to build a memorial walkway with a piece of steel that was obtained from the World Trade Center from September 11, 2011. Departments were encouraged to donate to a fundraiser that will be held on October 1st. The Blue Knights will also be hosting a fundraiser at Pasta House in Fairview on October 1st at 11am.

EMA – Will be hosting ER Tool Beta tool testing on October 6th for departments that showed an interest. The County has received a grant to replace the VHF equipment at the jail facility. Will have three transmitters.

9-1-1 - Bill Gamblin is looking at the billing scales for the CENCOM charges. The county will be having further discussions with Maximus. Testing for applicants for telecommunicators will begin. Bill has had discussions with ISO about the latest rounds of ratings and will be addressing issues. September 30 will be the kickoff for the new CAD system for CENCOM. A CAD User group will be formed and will include the end users. Dr. Schaefer has had talks with 911 about EMD call typing. Talks continue with Motorola about the fees for the 800 mhz system. In addition, talks have taken place about the paging system.

SWIC – Lee Smith advised that the OSFM has stopped sending test results in the mail. Results must be received from the OSFM website. The class on legal aspects is ongoing at the college. Will be looking at doing a class on pension board.

IFCA – State Fire Marshall is attempting to get the approval for life safety code for 2012. Conference is next month in Peoria. Any legislative issues should be sent to Chief Mavrogeorge.

OSFM – Greg Vespa was grateful for the use of the mobile command post at a fire investigation scene last week.

SCSESA – the team has secured some partial funding thru the county.

Narrowbanding deadline is quickly approaching – August 2012. MABAS Illinois has the schedule on their website for statewide transition.

President Saunders appointed a nominating committee for the election of officers for 2012. Brian Funk, Mike Schutzenhoefer, and Lynn Mueller were appointed. Motion was made and seconded to approve the committee.

Chief Csutoras thanked the departments that assisted with the full scale exercise that took place at Mid-America Airport.

Rich Larry from the Columbia Fire Department was recognized for 50 years of service to his department.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:41pm. Motion passed.