

**MABAS DIVISION #32
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 23, 2013
Smithton Fire Department**

The meeting was called to order at the conclusion of the St. Clair/Monroe County Fire Chiefs Association meeting by President Brent Saunders.

A motion was made by Chief Funk and seconded by Chief Schutzenhofer to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Chief Funk and seconded by Chief Greiner to accept the treasurer's report. The motion carried.

At a previous meeting a new procedure for incident status checks was agreed to. President Saunders asked if the new procedure was acceptable. The group consensus is that it is indeed working well.

Lee Smith reported no new progress on MABAS expense reimbursement guidelines.

President Saunders asked all departments with apparatus or resources on the deployment list to contact Tom Elliff for assistance with procurement of MABAS ID cards. An e-mail with instructions was sent to all division members.

Chief LaPointe reported that the French Village Fire Department no longer maintains VHF communications capability. This eliminates their ability to tow the Division tent trailers when deployed to out-of-division locations. Chief Hoock of Prairie DuPont stated his department can accept that responsibility.

Chief Elliff distributed MABAS-Illinois service medals to all departments that have members who responded to MABAS deployments in previous years.

Chief Elliff reported that all Division 32 equipment along with SCSESA will participate in a deployment drill on June 15th.

President Saunders reported that the Division received written notification from MABAS-Illinois that the SCSESA hazardous materials and technical rescue teams have been found deficient and are on probation for one year commencing June 1, 2013. If deficiencies are not corrected within one year, MABAS-Illinois may de-certify the teams and recall their issued equipment. Saunders stated the SCSESA Board of Directors is fully aware of the situation and the Division is awaiting their response.

With no further business before the association a motion was made by Chief Funk and seconded by Chief Owens to adjourn @ 2030 hrs. The motion carried.