

SMART

Suburban Mutual Assistance Response Team

Meeting March 9, 2006 in Chicago Heights started at 19:36.

COMMUNITIES & OFFICERS PRESENT: (X) = Present at meeting

SMART Officers

(X) President	Roger Mumford	(Steger)
(X) Vice President	Bob Small	(Oak Forest)
(X) Secretary/Treasurer	Joe Pilch	(Oak Forest)
(X) 1st Director	Art Johnson	(Sauk Village)
(X) 2nd Director	James Dean	(Hometown)
(X) 3rd Director	John Ranieri	(Rich Township)
(X) 4 th Director	John Thomas	(South Holland)
(X) 5 th Director	Marty Braccio	(Crete)

Communities

SMART Coordinator/Representative

1. () Blue Island	Linda Claassens
2. (X) Calumet City	James Meincke
3. (X) Chicago Heights	Frank Kush, David Troiani, James Angell
4. (X) Cook County	Bill Dorgan
5. (X) Country Club Hills	Ron Bock, Bob Gibson
6. (X) Crestwood	Bob Windberg, Nancy Cistaro
7. (X) Crete	Marty Braccio, Marilyn Reid
8. (X) Dolton	Sandy Patlak
9. (X) Homer Glen	John Robinson
10. (X) Hometown	James Dean, Joe Kouba
11. (X) Lynwood	Frank Waliszewski, David Harned
12. (X) Markham	James Bibbs, Charles Wilson, Everett Wilkins
13. (X) Midlothian	Michael Tryon
14. (X) Mokena	Greg McElyea
15. (X) New Lenox	Bill Potocki, Jan Tobiasz
16. (X) Oak Forest	Joe Pilch, Bob Small
17. (X) Palos Park	Bernie Conboy
18. () Plainfield	Roger Bonuchi, Dennis Hamilton, Rob McKinney
19. (X) Rich Township	John Ranieri, Bob Russell
20. () Riverdale	
21. (X) Sauk Village	Kenneth Cook, Jeff Grandchamp, Art Johnson
22. (X) South Holland	John Thomas, Ralph Turner
23. (X) Steger	Roger Mumford, Mark Cooper
24. (X) Thornton	John Levon Jr.
25. (X) Tinley Park	Steve Vick
26. (X) Will County	Harold Damron
27. () Red Cross	Sarah Wolfe
28. () State Region 4	Ron Carlson
29. () Cook County DPH	Lisa Nance

GUEST: Joel Werner Manhattan EMA

Opening Prayer & Pledge

Pledge & prayer lead by James Bibbs.

MINUTES:

Motion to approve previous meeting minutes by James Dean 2nd by Joe Kouba.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

TREASURER REPORT:

The February 28, 2006 balance in the checking account is \$756.72, the money market has \$6,423.08, the CD has \$3,023.93; the total of all accounts equals \$10,203.73.

February activity; \$100.00 deposit in checking account and \$13.33 interest on money market.

Motion by Art Johnson to except the treasurers report 2nd by John Levon.

Yearly dues 2nd notice sent out 3/3 to 8 communities; 20 of 28 have paid the operational expense. Letters sent to Orland Hills, Peotone, and Riverdale.

TRAINING:

Tinley Park will be host for Emergency Response Terrorism March 19th
Need to register by March 10th.

Matteson is holding a Unified Command class March 30, & 31.

Natural Hazard Observer January 2006 issue has an article on Homeland Security. NIMS requirements for governors, state, and local government for fiscal year 2006.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A SMART page was sent Monday 3/6 and Thursday 3/9 to alphanumeric pagers & NEXTEL's.

Bob Small is working on engineering of a repeater to go on a tower (300 foot) in the south suburbs. No monthly tower fees just installation cost and repeater equipment. Old radios won't work on this VHS repeater it will be all narrow band. Radios don't have to be digital compatible.

Questions about the repeater where leases, maintenance, repeater will be in climate controlled environment etc.

It has been suggested we need radio protocol. Which would include radio use, whose turn it is, etc.

EQUIPMENT:

Make sure Jeff Schoeling has your Equipment updates.

There is a way we can go online and get SMART information. Smartgroups is a web site that can track all our SMART equipment data. Each jurisdiction can keep their own equipment information updated.

Member/Membership Status:

No info

SMART SAR:

Roger Mumford thanked all jurisdictions that helped with the Sauk Village search. Family of missing woman sent letter to Sauk Village about how nice it was to have hundreds of people searching for someone they didn't know. Sauk Village board also appreciated all the assistance the other towns gave.

Ken Cook from Sauk Village will be chairman of the SMART SAR team replacing Dave Goodwine. Other members of the team will include members from Crete, Steger, Mokena, and Manhattan.

STATE REGION 4:

Not present

COOK COUNTY: www.cookcountysheriff.org

Nothing new.

WILL COUNTY: www.willcountyema.org

Weather relay tower is complete. Antenna is up, dish is up, computer is working, and transmitter needs to be tweaked. To receive the weather transmissions you need VHF radio or scanner, modulator \$60, antenna. Text message watches warnings, and transmit for collar counties 163.325. 1200 baud. It is on the air YEAH! Harold handed out info on what you need to do to receive weather info.

Weather spotters class will be March 20 10:00 AM at the Will County building, and 7:00 PM in Frankfort.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON:

Nothing from Legislators

All jurisdictions need to be NIMS compliant to get any federal funding.

IESMA (Illinois Emergency Services Management Association):

2006 conference April 20-22 Double Tree Hotel in Bloomington.

IEMA (Illinois Emergency Management Agency) :

2006 conference is September 5th - 7th in Springfield at the Crown Plaza.

RED CROSS LIAISON:

Not present

CCDPH:

Not present

OLD BUSINESS:

Bob Small hasn't received any updates on the AED request, this could take months.

NEW BUSINESS:

ESDA, Police, and Fire probably people wear the flag on uniform wrong, check your uniforms. The blue of the flag should be towards the front of uniform. This will be discussed at April meeting some more.

ADJOURNED at 20:05 March 9, 2006. Motion by Bill Potocki 2nd by John Thomas.

April 13th meeting will be held at Oak Forest 7:30 PM 5301 157th St, Oak Forest.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joe Pilch
SMART Secretary
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2006 Meeting dates & host All Meetings start at 7:30 PM.

- January 12 Tinley Park
- February 9 Crestwood
- March 9 Chicago Heights
- April 13 Oak Forest
- May 11 Crete
- June 8 South Holland
- July 13 Steger
- August 10 Midlothian
- September 14 Dolton
- October 12 Lynwood (Is this Parade of lights night?)
- November 9 Sauk Village
- December 14 Christmas Party