

## ***SMART***

### Suburban Mutual Assistance Response Team

Meeting February 8, 2007 in Chicago Heights started at 19:29.

**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 Ranier	(Rich Township)
(X) 4 <sup>th</sup> Director	John Thomas	(South Holland)
(X) 5 <sup>th</sup> Director	Marty Braccio	(Crete)

#### **Communities**

#### **SMART Coordinator/Representative**

1. ( ) Blue Island	Charles Truschka, Frank Ford
2. (X) Calumet City	James Meincke
3. (X) Chicago Heights	David Troiani, Frank Kush
4. (X) Cook County	Bill Dorgan
5. ( ) Country Club Hills	Bob Gibson
6. (X) Crestwood	Nancy Cistaro
7. (X) Crete	Marty Braccio, Darrell Hornback
8. ( ) Dolton	Sandy Patlak
9. ( ) Homer Glen	John Robinson
10. (X) Hometown	James Dean, Joe Kouba
11. (X) Lynwood	Frank Waliszewski, Mike Zientara
12. (X) Manhattan	Joel Werner
13. ( ) Markham	James Bibbs
14. ( ) Midlothian	Michael Tryon
15. (X) Mokena	Greg McElyea
16. (X) New Lenox	Bill Potocki
17. (X) Oak Forest	Joe Pilch, Bob Small
18. ( ) Orland Hills	Bill Leddin
19. (X) Palos Park	Bernie Conboy
20. ( ) Peotone	
21. (X) Rich Township	John Ranieri, Bob Russell, Sean Berry
22. ( ) Riverdale	Dennis Reilly
23. (X) Sauk Village	Kenneth Cook, Jeff Grandchamp, Art Johnson
24. (X) South Holland	John Thomas
25. (X) Steger	Roger Mumford
26. (X) Thornton	John Levon Jr.
27. ( ) Tinley Park	Steve Vick, Pat Carr
28. ( ) Will County	Harold Damron
29. (X) Red Cross	James Fumbanks
30. ( ) State Region 4	?
31. ( ) Cook County DPH	Lisa Nance

**GUEST:** Chicago Heights Chief Tom Martello thanked ESDA for being there to help.

**Opening Prayer & Pledge**

Pledge lead by Roger Mumford.

**MINUTES:**

Motion to approve minutes of previous meeting by Frank Waliszewski 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Zientara.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Dupage county is host the severe weather seminar at College of Dupage.

**TREASURER REPORT:**

Motion to accept the treasurer's report by Art Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Kouba.

**TRAINING:**

John Ranieri will have a K-9 unit attend the March meeting. He also has lined up other people to appear at future meetings, Air Two helicopter, SWAT team commander, also Civil Air Patrol by Joe Kouba.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

A SMART page was sent Tuesday and Thursday to alphanumeric pagers & NEXTEL's.

Grant money request has been forwarded to E9-1-1 group, it has been passed two other groups already. Tower has been postponed because of weather. Couldn't take soil samples cause ground is frozen.

Need narrow band radios very soon especially the folks in charge and response vehicles.

South Holland, Riverdale, & Dolton ESDA will be able to use a frequency Public Works had acquired. The frequency will be used for emergencies and Ecom will monitor the traffic.

**EQUIPMENT:**

SMART equipment information is in the process of being updated. Make sure your equipment information is correct and updates are in to Joe Pilch.

We will work on a box card system to be introduced at March meeting. Each community needs to develop their own box cards. A template will be available for you to use.

If you want SMART ID cards this is what is needed. Member's photo (digital or scan able), name for each photo, members rank, unit ID number (as listed in SMART), city logo or ESDA patch (digital or scan able). You can either email the info to Joe Pilch or Bob Small or give it to them on a disk. Sauk Village has submitted a disk to Joe Pilch.

**Member/Membership Status:**

Bob Small presented a draft of an amendment to the by-laws to add Associate members. Some suggestions were made; add training info to list, Associate members should be charged \$25, shouldn't we allow them to be on committees.

**SMART SAR:**

Next meeting is in Sauk Village February 11 at 17:00.

Ken Cook needs certificate that certifies your people in SAR.

There will be a SAR class end of April Saturday and Sunday in Steger.

**STATE REGION 4:**

Who is replacing Ron?

**COOK COUNTY:** [www.cookcountysheriff.org](http://www.cookcountysheriff.org)

Nothing to report.

**WILL COUNTY:** [www.willcountyeema.org](http://www.willcountyeema.org)

Intro to emergency management went well and another will be set up in future. Seems like a lot of people want to take this class.

**LEGISLATIVE LIAISON:**

James Dean shared an article from a Publication from Pan American health. John Levon copied the article and shared with most here.

**IESMA (Illinois Emergency Services Management Association):**

2007 conference April 18 - 21 Stoney Creek Inn East Peoria may move conference to Decatur 2008.

**IEMA (Illinois Emergency Management calling for help Agency):**

2007 conference is September 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> in Springfield at the Crown Plaza.

**RED CROSS LIAISON:**

No report

Roger Mumford thanked Red Cross for helping at structure fire in Steger.

John Ranieri also thanked Red Cross for getting housing for those that were homeless after Richton Park condo fire.

**CCDPH:**

Not present.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Pat Carr has volunteered to host the April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Dennis Reilly from Riverdale also expressed an interest. There will be a decision made which town we will go to.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Cook County sheriff calls ESDA to assist at different areas. Roger was called to go to Ford Heights. When he was leaving they were fired at. You need to be aware of the areas you maybe responding to. It is your decision to respond or not. Safety of our people is our number one priority.

Sauk Village does respond with Fire Department, but if they think it is unsafe then they will leave.

Roger expressed his thanks to the ESDA's that responded to structure fire and accident in Steger.

Sauk Village PD has found a volunteer organization to provide services for the baby that was killed by her mother.

**ADJOURNED** at 20:25 February 8, 2007. Motion made by all 2<sup>nd</sup> all again.

Next meeting is March 8, 19:30 in Oak Forest.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joe Pilch  
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**2007 Meeting dates & host**

January 11	Tinley Park
February 8	Chicago Heights
March 8	Oak Forest
April 12	Tinley Park or Riverdale
May 10	New Lenox
June 14	Steger
July 12	South Holland
August 9	Markham
September 13	Palos Park
October 11	Lynwood
November 8	Sauk Village
December 13	Christmas Party