

ALBERTVILLE	ELK RIVER	OSSEO
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ANOKA/CHAMPLIN	GOLDEN VALLEY	RAMSEY
BIG LAKE	HAMEL	ROBBINSDALE
BROOKLYN CENTER	HANOVER	ROGERS
BROOKLYN PARK	HAM LAKE	ROSEVILLE
CENTENNIAL	MAPLE GROVE	ST. ANTHONY
COLUMBIA HEIGHTS	MEDICINE LAKE	ST. MICHAEL
COON RAPIDS	MINNEAPOLIS	SBM
DAYTON	NEW BRIGHTON	WEST METRO
EAST BETHEL	OAK GROVE	

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**North Suburban Regional Mutual Aid Association  
East Bethel Fire Department  
26 January 04**

Meeting Minutes

- A.    CALL TO ORDER    Meeting called to order by President Thompson at 7:35 PM
- B.    PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- C.    ROLL CALL            24 members present.
- D.    WELCOME BY HOST CHIEF      Chief Ardie Anderson made welcoming remarks.
- E.    PROGRAM    President Thompson reported that the original program was the MPCA but they were unable to attend so then he attempted to get Casey Statz from the State Fire Marshal's Office to discuss investigations but at the last minute he was not able to attend so there will be no program this evening.
- F.    AWARDS      Nomination forms for the Mike Ackerman award were sent out and should be returned NLT 31 March 2004.
- G.    WELCOME NEW CHIEFS & GUESTS      President Thompson introduced Kip LaMotte, Fire Inspector who introduced other members of the New Brighton Fire Dept. President Thompson explained that the Executive Board visited the New Brighton Fire Dept. on January 16<sup>th</sup> and found that they met all of the requirements to join NSRMAA. A motion was made by SBM and seconded by Mpls Fire to accept New Brighton into the NSRMAA. Motion carried.
- H.    MOTION TO ACCEPT LAST BUSINESS MINUTES AS MAILED      Made by Elk River and seconded by Andover. Motion carried.

I. TREASURER'S REPORT Pete Jaroscak handed out copies of the Financial Statement as of September 30, 2003.

J. MOTION TO ACCEPT TREASURER'S REPORTS Made by Fridley and seconded by Brooklyn Park. Motion carried.

K. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT President Thompson reported that the Executive Board did meet on January 7, 2004 and discussed many of the items that are on the agenda this evening.

L. SECTION REPORTS:

1. TRAINING Todd Seitz introduced Sarah Larson as the new President of the Training Officers Section. Todd reported that this year's North Suburban Sectional School would be on Technical Rescue. Chase Sergeant from Spec. Rescue International will be the instructor. The dates will be 31 Jan - 1 Feb 2004. So far 42 reservations have been made. Only 5 Departments from NSRMAA are sending students.

2. FIRE MARSHAL Ralph Messer reported that the NSFMs would be sending out information and reservation packets on the Fire Safety. Ralph announced that Larry Trapp, Advance Companies made a generous donation of new carpeting for the Fire Safety House. As a token of appreciation, a plaque was presented to Larry. The next Fire Marshal's meeting will be 9 AM on Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> at Ramsey Fire.

3. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS Bob Fiske reported that the CAT team participated in a drill in Andover on 10 January. Another one is setup with SBM. The team drills the last Monday of each month.

4. TECHNICAL COLLEGE UPDATES Todd Seitz reported that at Anoka Tech there is a class for Fire Officer II and a new class entitled Fire and Life Safety Educator. It is a 40-hour class and begins on Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. State Fire Schools begin in March in Mankato and end with the Metro School April 30<sup>th</sup>, May 1-2 at the Thunderbird Motel in Bloomington.

5. LEGISLATION Nyle Zikmund reported that he has 4 one page briefing sheets on Highway Safety, Fire Resistive cigarettes, Web Based Pension Study, and First Responder registration. Other bills have to do with Meth Labs, 911, and taxpayers' bill of rights. So far there is nothing on Fireworks. Fire Service day at the Capital will be March 4<sup>th</sup>. Deadline for registration is 30 Jan 04.

M. REGION 8 BOARD REPORTS:

1. State Fire Chiefs Association – Jim Hansen handed out a copy of his MSFCA report as well as the Minnesota Fire Certification Board report (See attached.) He has been appointed to represent MSFCA on the Fire Service Foundation Board. They are trying to raise 2.5 million dollars to move the Firefighter Memorial to the State Capital grounds.
2. State Fire Departments Association – Nyle Zikmund handed out copies of Tim Farmer's Region 8 report (See attached).

- N. STATE FIRE MARSHAL REPORT No report.
- O. DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES No report.
- P. SALVATION ARMY No report.
- Q. OLD BUSINESS Mutual Aid Agreement. President Thompson reminded each member Department who hasn't already to sign the revised Mutual Aid Agreement and return a copy to Secretary Calder ASAP.  
President Thompson explained that because there were not 2/3 of the member departments in attendance it would not be possible to act on the Constitution and By-Laws changes. This will be brought up again at the April meeting in Maple Grove.
- R. NEW BUSINESS President Thompson passed out copies of the 2004 NSRMAA Operating Budget. (See attached.) Motion made by SBM and seconded by Golden Valley to accept the budget. Motion carried . Discussion on the floor about emailing copies of the NSRMAA minutes as well as the dues statements.  
  
Election of Secretary. Motion made by Mpls and seconded by Elk River to nominate Bill Calder for Secretary. There being no other nominations, Bill Calder was elected unanimously.
- S. GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION Bruce West made a suggestion that at its April meeting NSRMAA should consider making a donation to the Fire Service Foundation. President Thompson announced that Vice President Phinney would not be running for Vice President next year. Anyone interested please see President Thompson.
- T. ADJOURNMENT Motion was made by Mpls and seconded by Fridley to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by:

Pete Jaroscak  
Acting Secretary

## **NEXT MEETING:**

Tuesday, 27 April 2004  
Maple Grove Fire Department