



GEORGIA MUTUAL AID GROUP

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GMAG Meeting August 15, 2018 Dalton, Georgia

- 1) Invocation: Dwayne Jamison, Bartow County FD
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance: Charles Wasdin, Hazelhurst-Jeff Davis County FD
- 3) Roll Call/Certification of Quorum: Established by VP Zaydel and Brain Boutwell, 18 members present and 30 proxies for a total of 48.
- 4) Approval of June 27TH, 2018 minutes: A point of Information from the floor was entertained by President Hill on correcting the date of the previous meeting in Savannah to reflect *April 8TH*, instead of *August*. The minutes were corrected, and President Hill called for the Previous Question. A motion was made by Dan Morgan, Rockdale County FD then seconded by Darrell Mitchell, Cherokee County FD, the motion passed.
- 5) Ratifications of Agencies: A consideration of ratifications of agencies was called by President Hill and Vice President Zaydel made a motion to ratify Peach County FD; the motion was passed as presented. Area 2 Coordinator Boutwell reported that the City of Tifton FD had completed the application package and now waiting on an approved resolution from the Tifton City Council.
- 6) Nominating Committee: President Hill reported that the President, Vice President, and Treasurer positions would be coming up for election and more information will be forthcoming.
- 7) Reports from Area Coordinators
 - a. Area 1- No report, per Chief Zaydel
 - b. Area 2- Area 2 Coordinator Boutwell reported that the City of Tifton FD had completed the application package and now waiting on an approved resolution from the Tifton City Council.
 - c. Area 3- No report
 - d. Area 4- Area 4 Coordinator John Ekaitis, reported that Peach County FD, Dooly County FD, and Sumter County FD had recently supported DeKalb County FD with Tender/Tanker units for a large water main break that caused a water outage.
 - e. Area 5- No report
 - f. Area 6- Derrell Mitchell reported that Cherokee County FD was in the process of updating their GMAG resolution with the current Board of Commissioners and FD command staff.
 - g. Area 7- Dan Morgan reported that a GMAG deployment was developing for backfill is support of the funeral of Dekalb County Firefighter Berry Everett.
 - h. Area 8- No report
- 8) Recognize Associate Members: None in attendance



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Reports of Officers

- a. President Report: No report
 - b. Vice President Report: Chief Zaydel reported that the Georgia Mutual Aid Net intern has developed a list of 584 of Fire Departments in Georgia with 320 having contact information and 145 currently updating their information with the remaining Fire Departments having no contact, meaning that some of these departments have merged with other departments or they are very small, and no one is listed as a point of contact.
 - c. Secretary Report: Joe Maddox not in attendance and no report
 - d. Treasurer Report: Jamie Sullivan, presented a finalized Second Quarter, 2018 treasurer's report showing a deposit of \$1,000 from the sale of the old GMAG bus, expenses of \$2,394.10 leaving a balance of \$55,563.97. Sullivan also submitted a report to President Hill on the financial obligation of the current mass alert messaging system. The discussion of this matter will be reflected in the New Business section.
 - e. At-Large: Tim Satterfield, not in attendance and no report
- 9) Command/General Staff Reports
- a. Operations: Not in attendance and no report
 - b. Planning: Not in attendance and no report
 - c. Logistics: Vacant
 - d. Finance/Admin: Not in attendance and no report
 - e. Liaison Group: Not in attendance and no report
- 10) Executive Director Update – Chief Buckholts was not in attendance, but reported via email that all was quiet.
- 11) Old Business: Nothing discussed
- 12) New Business: Treasurer Sullivan submitted a report to President Hill on the financial obligation of the current mass alert messaging system. During the discussion of this matter Dan Morgan, Rockdale County FD suggested that he may have information on an alternative alert messaging system that could possibly be less expensive than our current system. The discussion was tabled until the next meeting where more information could be presented.
- 13) For the Good of the Order: Outgoing Presidents Joey Hartley of GSFA and Dwayne Jamison of GFCA both thanked the members of GMAG for the positive working relationship between their associations and GMAG over the last two years.
- 14) Adjourn motion by Brain Boutwell, Valdosta FD, and it was seconded by Brent Willis, Columbia County FD.
- 15) Next meeting will be at the GPSTC, Forsyth, Georgia on Thursday, January 10TH, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. as set forth in Article III, Section 2.1 of the current By-Laws of GMAG.