DOWNRIVER MUTUAL AID REGULAR MEETING – September 8, 2022

Present:

Allen Park

Brownstown Twp. Supervisor Edward Smith & Brian Peters, Twp. Mgr

Dearborn

Ecorse Mayor Lamar Tidwell, Vice Chair

Flat Rock

Gibraltar Mayor Scott Denison & Cody Dill

Grosse Ile Twp Supervisor James Budny

Huron Twp Lincoln Park Melvindale

River Rouge Mayor Michael Bowdler Riverview Mayor Andy Swift Rockwood Mayor Dan Guzzi

Southgate Mayor Joseph Kuspa & Dan Marsh, City Admin.

Taylor Mayor Tim Woolley

Trenton

Woodhaven Councilwoman Jan Sikes Wyandotte Larry Stec, City Clerk

Others Present Police Chair, Chief Jeff Watson; Ken Laird, DMA Logistics - representing DMA Fire

The meeting was opened by the Vice Chair, Mayor Lamar Tidwell, at 6.02 p.m , followed by roll call – noting no quorum present

Agenda Motion by Alternate Stec, supported by Councilwoman Sikes, to accept the agenda as presented The motion passed unanimously.

Board minutes of 3/3/2022 and 5/5/2022: Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Mayor Swift, to accept the DMA board minutes of 3/3/22 and 3/5/22 as prepared. The motion passed unanimously

Audit Report

Kristin Hunt had presented the <u>DMA audit</u> highlights at the May board meeting, but there was lack of a quorum for board approval. This audit resulted in an "unmodified opinion;" the highest possible audit <u>opinion</u>. All funds ended the year with a positive fund balance, except for Highway Safety had a deficit of (\$61,768), which was due to a GASB 33 timing difference. A federal program audit was not required. There was a financial statement finding related to journal entries that were required during the audit. The Board complimented DMA for the unmodified opinion, which is the highest rating Motion by Mayor Kuspa, supported by Supervisor Budny, to accept the DMA audit and audit/management letter as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Downriver Mutual Aid Reports

Police: Police Chair, Chief Jeff Watson reported

<u>Contract Renewal – Bob Matthews</u> At the September DMA Chiefs meeting, the Chiefs voted to approve an additional three-year contract with GIS Director Bob Matthews beginning August of 2023 with current terms in place.

<u>Dispatch Consolidation Project:</u> The project is moving along with Mission Critical putting the final revisions on the report. They will be presenting to the stake holders soon afterward. They are meeting next Tuesday to go over the final revisions. They expect to bring the report to the stake holders this Fall.

<u>Fermi Drill</u>: Two Fermi drills were held for the DMA Cities of Flat Rock, Rockwood, Gibraltar, and the Township of Brownstown at Wayne County Emergency Management on August 16th and 30th with the final FEMA graded exercise to take place on September 20th

<u>DMA SWAT</u> had the following callouts for June 1st to September 7th, 2022:

- Melvindale PD Red Roof Inn for Barricaded Subjects. One subject arrested on felony warrant after CNT made contact
- Two MNET High Risk Search Warrants in Taylor and Allen Park Warrants served without incident.
- o Two MNET High Risk Search Warrants in Lincoln Park Warrants served without incident.
- MNET High Risk Search Warrant in Inkster for a Downriver case. Warrants served without incident.
- o Ecorse PD High Risk Search Warrant. Warrants served without incident

DMA Crash Team had the following callouts for June 1st to September 7th, 2022

Allen Park (2), Brownstown (3), Flat Rock (2); Lincoln Park (1), Riverview (1); Taylor (3);
Trenton (2)

DMA Major Crimes Unit: No callouts to report

No DMA full activations to target cities since our last meetings (Phase yellow Wyandotte, Phase White Woodhaven).

Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Supervisor Budny, to accept the Police Chief's report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Fire Chief Report: Ken Laird reported for Chief Jeff Drouillard.

All teams continue to train and need members.

Reimbursement checks for the first half of the 2022 training calendar have been delivered

Team Reports: The Fire Investigation and Dive Teams both had responses since the last meeting. The Logistics Team also responded to assist the fire investigation team on a case One dive response noted is a request from the Monroe County Sheriff's Office to the River Raisin for a missing man Monroe County had exhausted all their divers and were unable to locate the individual. They were aware of a new piece of equipment that DMA had purchased earlier this year and requested our DMA dive team for assistance. Our dive team, using the Aquaeye (a handheld sonar unit), was able to pinpoint the location of the man without exhausting divers searching in zero visibility. Ken thanked the Board for approving the purchase of this piece of equipment.

All Teams Meeting: Yesterday a meeting was held with the team Chiefs and team leaders of all four of the special ops teams to go over several items. The biggest discussion was about updating of all the teams and DMA fire Standard Operating Procedures and guidelines. They also discussed the budget looking at setting short- and long-term goals. Some capital improvements were discussed as well. They are planning to meet with DCC's fiscal staff next week to finalize next year's budget

Fire Team Report (continued).

Motion by Mayor Guzzı, supported by Councilwoman Sıkes, to accept the Fire Team's report as presented. The motion passed unanimously

New Business: none

Information Items None

Remarks form the audience

- 1) <u>Terry Campbell of US Senator Debbie Stabenow's office</u> Introduced herself and said she plans to attend these board meetings whenever possible.
- 2) Houston James: Introduced himself indicating he is running for State Senator.
- 3) <u>Nathanial McQueen</u> Introduced himself. He is Deputy Director of Wayne County Homeland Security and Emergency Management
 - Greetings from Samer Jaafar Director, Wayne County Homeland Security & Emergency Management (WCHSEM), who conveyed his apologies for being absent due to multiple meeting commitments.
 - > WCHSEM has continued to disperse PPE to Downriver Communities as needed and requested.
 - > WCHSEM is pleased to have extended use of its Mobile Command Vehicle to requesting Downriver Communities for events occurring in those venues.
 - ➤ Director Jaafar wants to express his thanks to those Downriver Communities, who have assisted in the preparedness drills for the upcoming Federally Graded Fermi II Nuclear Power Plant Exercise on September 20th The professionalism and expertise shown by all the communities has eased preparations and continues to show how diligent Downriver Community officials are towards providing outstanding service to their residents
 - ➤ September 15th, the school districts of Gibraltar and Flat Rock will be graded by FEMA Region 5 on their preparedness to evacuate students to a safe location should a nuclear incident occur at the Fermi II Nuclear Power Plant
 - ➤ In October 2022, WCHSEM along with William Beaumont–Trenton Hospital will be graded by FEMA Region 5 on their preparedness to isolate, decontaminate, and treat injured patients contaminated with nuclear radiation
 - > He thanked the DMA Board/Communities for all they do for Wayne County.
- 4) Bryan McMurran of Senator Gary Peters' office said to contact him if needed
- 5) <u>Scott Cabauatan</u>, Wayne County Department of Public Services, said communities can report road maintenance issues/concerns through 1888 Road Crew.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 6th at 6:00pm

Motion by Mayor Guzzı, supported by Alternate Stec, to adjourn at 6:23 pm. The motion passed unanimously