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# YUMA COUNTY FIRE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

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**Thursday, Aug 26, 2021 – 1130 A. M.**  
**Hosted by ZOOM**

## Minutes

**CALL TO ORDER:** Called to Order: at 1135 by Greg Lopez

- I. **ROLL CALL SIGN IN SHEET:** Dusty Fields, Greg Lopez, Louie Carlos, Kayla Franklin, Joe Waterford, William Unterseh, John Louser, Jerry Ball, Enrique Lopez, Mike Erfert, Steve Legros, Mark Rivera, Steve Irr, Tim Soule
- II. **INTRODUCTION OF GUEST:** Mike Erfert introduced Lt Herzog from the Salvation Army. Mr. Herzog gave a brief into of himself and asked to present some information about the Salvation Army to the group during the New Business portion of the meeting.
- III. **APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES:** There were no minutes available due to the lack of a meeting last month.
- IV. **TREASURER'S REPORT:**
  - Javier Hernandez was not available during the meeting but provided the information that there was no change or action to the account since the last meeting.
- V. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
  - None
- VI. **COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **Training / Safety –**

- Chief Tim Souls passed on behalf of AWC Fire Science program that a Fire Advisory Committee meeting was held and discussed the following:
  - Current fire academy class is begun with 24 cadets enrolled. Eddie Ramirez will be in charge of this class. Any interest in participating, please contact AWS PSI or Eddie for more info.
  - AWC is looking to hold a Fire Officer II and Fire Instructor II class.
  - AWC will hold another Fire Officer I and Fire Instructor I class tentatively in the spring.
  - Will be looking into the requirements to hold ISO and HSO classes as well
- William Unterseh sent out an email concerning available training on Ammonia Emergencies. If you did not receive the email or would like additional information, contact CoY Training Dept direct.
- Louie Carlos reminded the group of the HazMat Technician class to be help in San Luis AZ Sep 27 thru Oct 29.
- Steve Legros passed information on the Wildland Interface class thru NFA being held Oct 4 & 5 at the Public Safety Training Facility. The class is currently full but he reminded the group to please take notice to the time sensitive dates associated with the classes.

**VII. EMS Committee –**

- EMS committee did not meet and had nothing to pass.
- John Louser provided information on COVID booster. He has met with Lynn Smith to initiate a clinic request for Yuma County with a target date of late Sep early Oct. The county is no longer sponsoring the vaccine clinics and it has now been turned over to vendors who will be taking care of the process from here. Additional information will be sent out once coordination meetings have taken place.
- YFD has a possible plan to initiate clinic at one of the CoY fire stations to capture those who received the 1<sup>st</sup> wave of shots that took place back in January.
- Any further questions or concerns, contact John or Lynn direct.

**Legislative –**

- Steve Irr had nothing new to pass

**Mutual Aid –**

- Dusty Fields – No changes from last month.

**VIII. BUSINESS**

**a. Unfinished BUSINESS**

- None

**b. New BUSINESS-**

- Lt Herzog passed information on the capabilities of The Salvation Army.
  - Meals to responders
  - Donation management
  - Mobile counselling to all
  - Long term goal to have a mobile social service capability
  - Christmas tree program for families in need.
  - Many more capabilities so for more information contact Salvation Army.

**IX. ACTION ITEMS –**

- None.

**X. GOOD OF THE ORDER –**

- Steve Irr passed they will be having a 9/11 memorial service at CoY Fire Station 1. Would like to extend an invitation to all to come out and take part in the festivities
  - Honor Guard
  - Stair climb event at Pancrazzi tower
  - 5K event, registration thru Parks and Recs
  - Goal is to reunite the community during this 20 year anniversary of 9/11.
- Dusty would like to once again move forward with in-person meetings. Info will go out to all members prior to next meeting to get a feel on who is interested.
- Joe Waterford passed that the annual car show is on scheduled and on track for Sep. Proceeds will go towards local responders. Contact Joe for more info
- Mike Erfert passed info on a PIO class scheduled for Sep 29. More info will be sent out.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT:**

- A motion to adjourn was made at 1204 by Steve Irr and second by Dusty Field. The next regular meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, Sep 23 27, 2021 @ 1130. More information will be passes based on COVID standings as the meeting gets closure.