



## MABAS WATER OPERATIONS

### MABAS Readiness Center April 12, 2023 Meeting Minutes



#### Roll Call: Called to Order @ 09:10

1. Sam Foster, Des Plaines - Present via Zoom
2. Charles Gros, Naperville - Unable working
3. Jason Lach, Chicago - Present via Zoom
4. Jason Martin, Palos Heights - Unable working
5. Brian Maschke, Rockford - Present
6. Jim Pellitteri, Gurnee - Not Present
7. Andy Kinoshita, Peoria - Unable dive training
8. Shane Cockrum, Division 68 - Unable vacation
9. Co-Chairman: Bert Lancaster, Fox River - Present
10. Co-Chairman: Todd Rishling, Elk Grove - Present
11. MABAS Deputy Operations Section Chief Spence Kimura – Present via Zoom

#### **I. Old Business**

- A. Status on remaining ISP water rescue equipment at the MRC:
  - Brian has completed an inventory of remaining equipment.
  - 20 SCBA bottles given to CFD and then to CPD for underwater explosives division. This has been approved by MABAS executive staff.

Bert questioned reaching out to Divisions 45 & 68 to see if they would be interested in any equipment. Spencer recommended to follow up with Shane and then Division 16 to see what interest they have in equipment.
- B. Status on Division 24 ROV repairs: Spencer reached out to them and advised MABAS -IL will no longer support repairs. Camera still out of service.

Division #1 ROV came back last week and training in progress getting used to operating new unit. Spencer advised to follow up with manufacturer on specific connection recommendations per manufacturer.

- C. Update on water rescue equipment purchases for IL TF1 / IL WR1: Mike Young
- Mike advised the 4-pack is coming along with new boats, wheels, lighting system, boat motors need to get broken in.
  - Cook County and USAR issued boats & motors
  - Mike advised that Mercury purchased Evinrude with 2029 end of production, parts will be limited and more expensive. Spencer requested a report to replace Evinrude motors.
  - Mike is looking into working with a Mercury Marina for possible motor trade-ins.
  - Zodiac boat wood front ends popping out. Mike working with a machine shop to make a demo out of aluminum and will follow up with pricing later. Mike also in contact with Zodiac North America about this issue.
- D. Update on Flood /Swiftwater Teams: Chuck Gros
- FEMA boat class on Ohio River canceled due to 2 barges stuck and salvage operations underway.
  - Working on New Swiftwater survey with Kevin Lyne to send out to divisions to determine status.
- E. Update on proposed NIMS boat class:
- Update on NIMS boat tech class April 4-8, 2023.
  - 2024 classes registered through I.R.R.S but not approved.
  - Spencer looking to utilize 2021 UASI funds.
  
  - Chuck looking at possibly conducting 3-day ops class locally and 3-day tech class down south with 24 students max. Chuck working on possible dates and locations.
  - Question came up regarding send members out of state for training. Spencer recommended looking into 1-2 out of state locations for training options.
- F. Update on new MABAS fleet software program: Chuck / Spence
- This is a work in progress as equipment being entered in system.
- G. On-going project: Salamander rostering:
- Audit driven by CIMS 3.0, get credentialed members into CIMS. 20 members needed for deployable roster with deadline approaching. Dual roster for Dive/ Flood is acceptable.
  
  - Spencer is requesting Swiftwater profile/credential recommendations or changes in CIMS 3.0 to reflect committee standards.

- H. Update on development of mission ready packages (MRP) to align with NIMS & IEMA documents. This will streamline EMAC requests following NIMS typing to help define what additional equipment is needed when sending boats, sonar or ROV.
- a. Boat package- Chuck will submit boat Typing for A & B package.
  - b. Sonar package- Todd will submit and follow 4-person recommendation.
  - c. ROV- Sam will submit.
- I. Update on Jason & Chuck to streamline and thin down equipment list for MABAS boats.
- Jason and Chuck continued efforts underway.

## **II. New Business**

MABAS Water Response Capability Review: Spence

- Kevin Lyne presented power point on May 23, 2023- Bert will send highlights of presentation to the committee.

### **Any other New Business:**

Mike- MOU for Hummingbird unit for Division 45/68

Spencer- Next meeting agenda topic- Division 24 to receive connector boat?

### **Other Training events in 2023**

May 21-23- MPSD conference in Lake Geneva

July 24 Homeland Security Conference in Chicago

### **Meeting Dates:**

July 10, 2023- Conference call

October 16, 2023- in person in Chicago, location TBA

December 11, 2023- Elk Grove Village

