

**Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch
Fire & EMS Committee Meeting**
Peru, LaSalle, Oglesby & Mendota
Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the IVRD Fire & EMS Committee was held Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at the Oglesby Fire Department, 500 S. Columbia Ave., Oglesby, IL 61348. Chief Popurella called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Voting & Quorum Members Present:

Oglesby Fire Chief Ron Popurella, Utica Fire Chief Ben Brown, Peru Fire Chief Jeff King, Peru Assistant Fire Chief Jim Duncan, Oglesby Assistant Fire Chief Steve Maltas, Mendota Fire Chief Dennis Rutishauser, Utica Assistant Fire Chief Drew Partain, Peru Ambulance Director Brent Hanson, Oglesby Ambulance Director Cathie Edens

Not Present: Earlville Fire Chief Larry Todd, Earlville Ambulance Director Jen Coppes, Spring Valley Fire Chief Todd Bogatitus, Kelly Wasilewski, LaSalle Fire Chief Jerry Janick, Greg Lauf, Earlville EMS Director AJ Wold, LaSalle Assistant Fire Chief Dale Tieman, Utica Deputy Fire Chief Gary Gbur, Utica Assistant Fire Chief Mark Bierbom

Also Present:

Executive Director Brandon Miller-Guss

MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of March 15, 2023 by Dennis Rutishauser; second by Jeff King. All in favor; motion carries.

PUBLIC FORUM (Citizen Comment)

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

New business:

Operational Matters:

1. Discussion on IAR and the items that we would like to remove from the initial notification.
2. Discussed What 3 Words App and how to utilize it.
3. Discussed Hazmat and upcoming trainings.
4. Discussed the pager tests that did not work last Wednesday night.
5. Discussed notifying PD before FD on calls.
6. Discussed the Peru Fire Full Still pager test does not have the structure fire tone at the end.
7. Discussed Change of Quarters
 - a. EMS will not be doing COQ

- b. First Call the ambulance will leave
- 8. A new President will need to be chosen as Chief Popurella is now IVRD Chairman.

Director's Report

1. Discussed Paging and responses.
 - a. EMS Paging
 - i. Page Every 2 mins. If you go to page a 3rd time – call mutual aid. Also notify Chief/Director via telephone.
 - b. Fire Paging
 - i. Same as EMS, confirm that no one is on IAR.
2. Brandon requests that each agency provides him with a list of mutual aid agencies in order of the closest for EMS responses.

Priority Dispatch System Response Configuration Review/Changes

1. Brandon discussed that he did not send out the excel spreadsheets of determinants because it would be easier to explain visually. Brandon put it on the projector and discussion ensued.
2. Discussion on EMS Still/Full Still and Fire Still/Full Still, recommendations for Technical Rescues/Hazmat. Utilizing structure fire response. Have ideas for next meeting.
3. Feedback Form for ProQA coming out soon. Chiefs should filter/review before submitting.

Priority Dispatch System Policy Review/Changes.

1. Discussion about educating nursing homes/doctor's office about ProQA and that we will be continuing the ProQA questioning for all calls. Protocol 37.

PUBLIC FORUM (Citizen Comment)

None

NEXT MEETING

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 19, 2023, at the Oglesby Fire Department

ADJOURNMENT

Dennis Rutishauser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff King seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.