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April Advisory Board Notes 04/06/2023.

DES Report:

- FM 11 Invest, 14 notifications, Hazmat 1 responses, 1 notification for March.
- County Property Tax Credit for First Responders. Survey coming out. Please respond to it as that is the number the Commissioners will base their financial data from.
- DES is working to crank out dispatchers and get the staffing levels back up.
- Please Do Not go responding on radio or on SMU/MDC before the voice dispatch goes out. It causes issues on the dispatchers end and could lead to a call not getting dispatched properly.
- Siren Tones – Check with your districts on who is still using them. There is interest in cleaning up the dispatches of old tones that are not utilized any more. If you still use the siren tone that is fine, may just want to change it to use the general fire tone. To be discussed further at May AB's Meeting.
- Regional Grant items being looked at: HazMat Responder Vehicle, new Hazmat Robot, Replace Foam on Foam Trailer, and FP Helmets.
- Training – MOU's needed from agencies looking to use the facilities. Needs to be updated every 2yrs.

Districts:

- **North** – Art of Reading Smoke class on April 22nd at OJR. Registration Form posted. CAD overview for May's Meeting on the 10th at Ridge. North was not in favor of Automatic Make-ups and would still like to be prompted. North inquired about adding an additional rep to the Ops committee. AJ and Gerry stated Ops committee is not by district. Its based on those that want to do the work. AJ will take it back to the committee.
- **South** – Finalized non-profit status
- **East** – Automatic Make Ups. The East is forward and looking to pick it back up. Take back to the districts.
- **West** – Meeting cancelled due to working fire.
- **Central** – Nothing to report.
- **EMS** – Nothing to report.
- **Fire Police** – Nothing to report.
- **RTF** – Coordinating a Technical Rescue class. Medic 94 would like to come onboard as the Task Force EMS.
- **FTF** – Not Present

Old Business:

- Paging – Can't use all the Homeland Money for pagers. Some DES capital money is available. Please keep track of your pagers and make sure they are getting utilized. Hard to ask for new pagers when some stations don't know where their original allotment is.
- AJ has received 7 forms back so far for the Rescue/Squad Self-Assessment.
- Adam will be getting a list of station responses calling for a Rescue.
- Strategic Plan – Working with PM firm on projects before the contract runs out.

New Business:

- 911 Ops – Call sequence for EMS Calls being reviewed to get revamped. Will be discussing with EMS Council.
- 1st Annual John Stout Memorial Golf Outing. Sign up quickly if interested. Looking for groups to try and bring in additional sponsors.
- Numbering Committee – Nothing Presently
- Recruitment – Didn't meet in March.