



Medina County All Hazards Team

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Meeting Minutes Medina County All Hazards Advisory Committee December 21st, 2023

Members present:

Ben Nau
Larry Walters
Greg Glauner
Robert Lindner
James Carter
William Disbrow

Guest Present

Matt Sturgeon
Chuck Stiver

- **Meeting called to order at 10:06am**
- **No public comments.**
- **Approval of Minutes:** No minutes were presented for approval.
- **Old Business:** None
- **New Business**
 - **An overview of the current availability of today's first responders in Medina County, and how this affects the All-Hazards team training sessions and responses.**
 - AHAC provided the following comments:
 - Not as much as it used to be.
 - Two spouses working/children.
 - Overtime at work.
 - Do people want to be part of something bigger than them?
 - Less and less firefighters.
 - Culture of new generation.
 - Too busy – spread too thin.
 - Struggle to even do the EMS training.
 - Turnover.
 - Wadsworth 60% requirement.
 - Valley City – mandatory 1 training per month.

- On All-Hazards to put on resume.
 - New members filling credentials.
 - Making choices – struggling with time.
 - Working multiple jobs.
 - Type of call limits people.
- Explore ideas for engaging, scenario-based training sessions for 2024, and discuss how this would improve attendance and performance.
 - AHAC Members provided the following comments:
 - Live multi-discipline large training.
 - Opportunity to do it on duty.
 - Survey team members – training days that work.
 - More training with departments.
 - Quarterly training rope/confined space. More Hazmat.
 - Hazmat tour – Wadsworth 1st quarter.
 - Medina City – S. Court Track
 - Confined space 1st quarter.
 - Water 3rd quarter.
- **Next Meeting Date/Time:** January 10th at 1400 – Wadsworth Fire Dept. 343 College Street
- **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by Chief Walters. Seconded by Chief Cavanaugh. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:33am.