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**AGENDA**  
**MICHIGAN FIRE FIGHTERS TRAINING COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

Virtual Meeting Details:

Call In Phone Number: 1-877-820-7831

Conference ID: 973313

Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
1:30 PM

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| I.    | Call to Order and Determination of Quorum  | Chairperson Tackett     |
| II.   | Approval of Agenda   | Chairperson Tackett     |
| III.  | Approval of Minutes: February 11, 2020 Special Meeting<br>February 11, 2020 Regular Meeting<br>March 9, 2020 Special Meeting | Chairperson Tackett     |
| IV.   | Communications   | Chairperson Tackett     |
| V.    | State Fire Marshal's Report  | Fire Marshal Sehmeyer   |
| VI.   | Curriculum Work Group Report:  | Councilperson Blomstrom |
| VII.  | New Business   |                         |
|       | a. Fire Officer I Delivery   | Fire Marshal Sehmeyer   |
|       | b. FY20 Funding  | Fire Marshal Sehmeyer   |
|       | c. Q Course Applications:  | Chairperson Tackett     |
|       | 1. Bomb-Making Materials Awareness Program   | T. Adam Talarek         |
| VIII. | Public Comment   |                         |
| IX.   | Council Comment  |                         |
| X.    | Adjournment  | Chairperson Tackett     |



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**MINUTES**  
**MICHIGAN FIRE FIGHTERS TRAINING COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

Lansing Community College – West Campus  
5708 Cornerstone Drive, Lansing, MI 48917  
Tuesday, February 11, 2020  
9:00 AM

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Brian Blomstrom, Vice Chair, Michigan Fire Service Instructors Association  
Terrance Blackmer, Michigan State Firemen's Association  
Alan Styles, Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs  
Chad Tackett, Chairperson, Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs  
Jacob Steichen, Nominee of the State Fire Marshal  
Aileen Pettinger, Michigan Professional Firefighters Union  
Kevin Sehmeyer, State Fire Marshal, Ex-officio Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Lynnae White, Michigan Fire Inspectors Society  
Greg Janik, Michigan Municipal League

**BUREAU OF FIRE SERVICES STAFF PRESENT:**

Andrea Keown, Department Technician, Fire Fighting Training Division  
Dan Hammerberg, Region 1 Coordinator  
TJ Richardson, Acting Region 2 Coordinator

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chris Mantels, Saugatuck Fire Department  
Bill Pawluk, Lansing Community College Fire  
Sara Groenheide, Hamilton Fire Department  
Mark Groenheide, Hamilton Fire Department  
Stan Pochron, Taylor Fire Department  
Michael Keefe, Allendale Fire Department  
Robert Jennison, Livonia Fire Rescue  
Josh Mosher, Midland Fire Department  
Nick Miller, Hamburg Fire Department  
Adam Carroll, Hartland Area Fire Department  
Mark Cleveland, Egelston Fire Department  
Charles C. Pichan, Detroit Fire Department  
Aric Massingill, Adrian City

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:**

**Vice Chairperson Blomstrom** called the special meeting session to order at 9:04 a.m. A quorum was determined present.

## **II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

### **20-02-01**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Steichen** and seconded by **Councilperson Styles** to approve the February 11, 2020 special meeting agenda, as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

## **III. COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Councilperson Styles:** received communication regarding curriculum update timelines and questions regarding grant selection.

**Councilperson Steichen:** no new communications.

**Fire Marshal Sehmeyer:** had a phone conversation with Josh Meier from Canton Township regarding public safety directors' requirements. Fire Marshal suggested to Mr. Meier to put his concerns in writing and submit to council.

**Councilperson Pettinger:** received email regarding instructor class questions, grant questions (past and present).

**Councilperson Blomstrom:** No new communications.

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Review FY20 MFFTC Grant Applications:** The training grant packets were provided to the council for review. Before review of the training grant packets, Fire Marshal Sehmeyer shared that the applications were selected based on two (2) main criteria; the applicant is (1) NFIRS compliant and (2) are seeking grants for Fire Fighting Skills. TJ Richardson stated that grant numbers are assigned in the order they were received.

### **20-02-02**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Steichen** and seconded by **Councilperson Pettinger** to accept the following grant applications regarding Live Fire;

FMG-001 – Allendale Fire Department Advanced Fire Dynamics for the requested amount of \$4,500.00

FMG-018 – Peninsula Township Fire Department OCC Flashover Training for the requested amount of \$9,500.00

FMG-022 – Addison Township Fire Department Phase II Burn for the requested amount of \$3,680.00

FMG-029 – Battle Creek Fire Department Flashover Training for the requested amount of \$9,989.00

FMG-039 – Perry Area Fire Rescue Live Fire Attack for the requested amount of \$10,000.00

FMG-046 – Bay City Department of Public Safety Flashover/Forcible Entry for the requested amount of \$9,000.00

FMG-089 – Farmington Public Safety Flashover Training for the requested amount of \$4,000.00,

FMG-112 – Chesterfield Township Fire Department Flashover Training for the requested amount of \$5,000.00

FMG-126 – Hamburg Township Fire Department Flashover Training for the requested amount of \$7,500.00

Totaling an amount of \$63,169.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**20-02-03**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Pettinger** and seconded by **Councilperson Steichen** to accept the following grant applications regarding Hands on Training;

- FMG-054 – Clare Fire Department Basic Pump Operations for the requested amount of \$2,500.00,
- FMG-060 – Bertrand Township Fire Department TIC Aided Search and Rescue for the requested amount of \$8,300.00
- FMG-063 – Novi Fire Department “Through the Lock Forcible Entry” for the requested amount of \$9,310.00
- FMG-064 – Lansing Township Fire Department Fire Ground Survival for the requested amount of \$10,000.00
- FMG-066 – Muskegon Township Fire Department Engine/Truck Company Operations for the requested amount of \$10,000.00
- FMG-083 – Southfield Fire Department Recon RIT for the requested amount of \$10,000.00
- FMG-102 – Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety Thermal Imaging Training for the requested amount of \$9,600.00
- FMG-110 – Armada Township Fire Department Fire Ground Survival and RIT for the requested amount of \$10,000.00
- FMG-121 – Marlette Fire Department Irons Forcible Entry for the requested amount of \$3,450.00
- FMG-127 – City of Ann Arbor Fire Department Fire Ground Survival for the requested amount of \$10,000.00
- FMG-138 – Romulus Fire Department Pump Operator for the requested amount of \$800.00

Totaling an amount of \$83,960.

**Councilperson Style abstained**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Council took a short break at 10:22am. Council resumed at 10:40am and resumed application selection.

**20-02-04**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Steichen** and seconded by **Councilperson Pettinger** to accept the following grant applications regarding facility improvements;

- FMG-016 – Higgins Township Fire Department HTFD Burn Building in the requested amount of \$10,000.00
- FMG-034 – Beaver Creek Fire Department Training Facility Improvement for the requested amount of \$8,850.00

Totaling an amount of \$18,850.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**20-02-05**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Steichen** and seconded by **Councilperson Blackmer** to establish a priority list for FY20 to the grant applications listed 1-13 to move forward for the 4<sup>th</sup> round;

1. FMG-072 - South Lyon Fire Department Multi-Use Training Facility for the requested amount of \$5,018.00

2. FMG-005 – Dalton Township Fire Department King Ceiling/Overhaul/Ventilation Prop for the requested amount of \$8,400.00
3. FMG-103 – Alpena Fire Department Keiser Force Machine for the requested amount of \$9,138.36
4. FMG-042 – White Pigeon Fire Department King Ceiling Prop for the requested amount of \$10,000.00
5. FMG-119 – City of Belleville Fire Department Fire Simulator for the requested amount of \$5,000.00
6. FMG-124 – Sturgis Fire Department Burn/Flashover Trainer for the requested amount of \$5,300.00
7. FMG-125 – Hamilton Fire Department Live Fire Training Facility Fuel for the requested amount of \$5,423.70
8. FMG-048 – Marquette Township Fire/Rescue Fire Dynamics Training Prop for the requested amount of \$7,288.55
9. FMG-078 – City of Algonac Fire Department Training Equipment/Props for the requested amount of \$8,000.00
10. FMG-043 – Manistee Township Fire Department County Training Facility for the requested amount of \$9,500.00
11. FMG-021 – Richland Township Fire Department Props/MATS for the requested amount of \$9,688.00
12. FMG-137 – Stanton Township Volunteer Fire Department Copper County Live Burning Training for the requested amount of \$4,677.79
13. FMG-024 – Saugatuck Township Fire Department Live Fire Training Facility Plating for the requested amount of \$10,000.00

Totaling an amount of \$97,434.40.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**20-02-06**

A **Motion** was made by **Councilperson Styles** and supported by **Councilperson Pettinger** that any additional funding that comes in to be spent on the grants remaining.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Chris Mantels**, Saugatuck Fire Department – Respectfully requests BFS staff give more detailed guidelines on future grant applicants.

**VI. COUNCIL COMMENT:**

**Councilperson Styles:** None.

**Councilperson Steichen:** Appreciates everyone’s work, time and effort, thanked everyone for their patience.

**Councilperson Blackmer:** None.

**Councilperson Pettinger:** Stated that the awarded grants are well-rounded and will benefit a lot of departments.

**Chairperson Tackett:** Thanked everyone for coming, looking forward to seeing everyone this

afternoon. Thanked Chris (Saugatuck) for his comments.

**Fire Marshal Sehmeyer:** Thanked everyone for coming. Shout out to BFS staff for their work preparing the grants.

**Councilperson Blomstrom:** None.

VII. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**20-02-07**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Steichen** and seconded by **Councilperson Pettinger** to adjourn the special meeting/work session. **MOTION CARRIED.** The meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.

**APPROVED:**

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Chairperson Tackett

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Councilmember

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Dan Hammerberg, Region 1 Coordinator

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Larry Gambotto, Rochester hills Fire Department  
Aric Massingill, Adrian City Fire Department  
Nick Miller, Hamburg Fire Department  
Brian Stalsonburg, BDI Training  
Matt Majestic, Oakland Community College  
Bill Pawluk, Lansing Community College  
Andre Doser, Battle Creek Fire Department  
Corey Miller, Berkley Fire Department  
Dawn Stone, Alpena Community College  
Lisa Blumenthal, Alpena Community College  
Jared Mento, Washington Township Fire Department  
Stan Pochron, Taylor Fire Department  
Liam Carroll, Schoolcraft College RTC  
Scott Tobey, ERS International  
Jesse Marcotte, Northville Township Fire Department  
Mark Cleveland, Egelston Fire Department  
John P Skelly III, Washington Township Fire Department  
Adam Carroll, Hartland Area Fire Department  
Chris Mantels, Saugatuck Fire Department  
Josh Mosher, Midland Fire Department  
Charles C. Pichan, Detroit Fire Department  
Thomas Stuck, Macomb CTC

Steve Dalton, Clinton Township Fire Department  
Mike Keefe, Allendale Fire Department  
Robert Harrison, Washington Fire Department  
Tom Kuhn, Armada Township Fire Department  
John Cieslik, Rochester Fire Department  
Kurt Corradi, Bay City Fire Department  
Mike Kaloz, Lansing Township Fire Department  
Rob Ginther, Beverly Hills Public Safety

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:**

**Chairperson Tackett** called the regular meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum was determined present.

**II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**20-02-08**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Steichen** and seconded by **Councilperson Pettinger** to approve the February 11, 2020 regular meeting agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**20-02-09**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Blackmer** and seconded by **Councilperson Pettinger** to approve the following minutes as presented:

- December 5, 2019 Town Hall Meeting
- December 6, 2019 Special Meeting
- December 6, 2019 Regular Meeting
- January 23, 2020 Special Meeting

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**20-02-10**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Blomstrom** and supported by **Councilperson Styles** to **AMEND** the December 6, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes to reflect the county allocation amount of \$17,500 under fee limits for Fight Fighter I and II courses in Old Business. **MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED.**

**IV. COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Fire Marshal Sehmeyer** received communication from Josh Meier of Canton Fire Department and discussed public safety director requirements. Fire Marshal received an email from Bill Parker of Blair Township Fire Department, regarding the instructor I curriculum update course and the short notice to enter the course. Fire Marshal received an email from Chief of Alpena Combat Readiness Center asking to address military experience and certifications as the committee works through the Rules. Councilperson Blomstrom forwarded an email to the Fire Marshal from Jason Morin from the Jackson Area Fire and EMS Academy who is asking to allow certified school teachers to not have to take the Instructor I course.

**V. STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT:**

- a) **Revised FY2020 Course Summary:** The Fire Marshal gave handouts to council that provides course statistics for each MFFTC course with an exam. Mentioned that since the adoption of the new Fire Fighter curriculum in October, there has been an increase in the passing rate.
- b) Due to the update of NFPA 1041 standard in 2019, on March 1, 2020, the Fire Instructor I



curriculum will change to Jones & Bartlett, and the passing written test score will be 70%.

**c) Fire Fighter Training Division Staffing Updates:**

- 1) **Region Coordinator:** The Fire Marshal advised that this position is still vacant, but the TJ Richardson is still helping out and let those who have Region 2 business can still reach out to TJ.
  - 2) **Certification / Testing Specialist:** The Fire Marshal advised that the bureau will be looking to fill a certification / testing specialist position to handle the certifications for all classifications in addressed in Public Act 291 of 1966, the Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council Act. We are currently working through Civil Service and LARA/Human Resources to establish the position description.
- d) Regional Training Center Annual Reports:** The Fire Marshal provided a handout to council that was sent to them electronically on February 6, 2020. The Fire Marshal noted that annual reports from the regional training centers were due on December 1, 2019.
- e) Rules Update:** The Fire Marshal updated everyone that the last work rules session was on January 23<sup>rd</sup> and really good progress is being made. Council has made it through the document once and will go through it again to discuss in state reciprocity and other topics still needing clarification.
- f) FY20 MFFTC Grant Summary:** The Fire Marshal provided council with a summary hand out and informed attendees that the grants were divided up in the 9:00am meeting. A total of 142 grants applications submitted for a total of \$976,258.42. 71 applicants that made it to the list that the council reviewed. 47 were rejected for not being specific to firefighting skills, 4 were not NFIRS Compliant, and 23 applications were Incomplete. A total amount of \$165,609.81 was awarded. A priority list of additional approved grant applications was established to be awarded as money comes back in to the Bureau between now and September 30, 2020. The list will be published after all the motions are made on Gov Delivery. The Fire Marshal advised that departments still must follow the State of Michigan criteria for purchasing. If it is over \$2,500, and you're buying props or equipment, you must have to be 3 bids and those bids need to be turned in to the region coordinator. Fire Marshal reminded that the money is awarded after the training is completed or items are acquired.
- g) Fire Instructor I Curriculum Update:** The Fire Marshal advised that he and Dan Hammerburg led a pilot Instructor I course using the new J&B curriculum in Marquette. We received positive feedback from the students, and it flowed very well. The Fire Marshal explained some of differences with the new J&B Instructor 1 course versus the former course.

**VI. CURRICULUM WORK GROUP REPORT:**

Councilperson Blomstrom shared that the curriculum work group met in January in Lansing, and validated the Fire Instructor I test, returned it to the bureau and they are awaiting their next task.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS:**

- a) **Revised pathway for Driver's Training course:** Councilperson Blomstrom inquired if the revisions had been made and regarding switching the test and the practical around on the website. Fire Marshal ensured that he will follow up to get that done and asked Councilperson Blomstrom to provide proposed changes in writing. Councilperson Blomstrom stated that McNeil is in the process of updating their course, however no completion date has been given.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

a) **FY20 MFFTC Grants:** Chairperson Tackett shared the total amount awarded and mentioned the \$97,434 for the priority list to be awarded as money is returned to the BFS. Fire Marshal added that if any additional funds come back to the bureau once the priority list is exhausted , the remaining grant applications could will be revisited.

### b) **Q Course Applications:**

1) **Flashover Training/Fire Behavior**

Instructor: Jason R. Weber / Phone: 920-498-7175

Email: [jason.weber@nwtc.edu](mailto:jason.weber@nwtc.edu)

2) **Unmanned Aircraft Systems - Part 107**

Instructor: Gary Wehrwein and Jason Harris / Phone 586-242-5125

Email: [wehrwein@ctwfd.org](mailto:wehrwein@ctwfd.org)

3) **RIT/Survival Techniques (8 hour)**

Instructor: Brent Connell, Josh Cole, Jeff Tody / Phone: 810-614-6490

Email: [bconnell1169@gmail.com](mailto:bconnell1169@gmail.com)

4) **RIT/Survival Techniques (16 hour)**

Instructor: Brent Connell, Josh Cole, Jeff Tody / Phone: 810-614-6490

Email: [bconnell1169@gmail.com](mailto:bconnell1169@gmail.com)

5) **SOFA Advanced Fire Equipment Operator**

Instructor: SOFA Instructors / Phone: 248-721-0758

Email: [rginther@beverlyhillspolice.com](mailto:rginther@beverlyhillspolice.com)

6) **SOFA Basic Fire Equipment Operator**

Instructor: SOFA Instructors / Phone: 248-721-0758

Email: [rginther@beverlyhillspolice.com](mailto:rginther@beverlyhillspolice.com)

7) **SOFA Advanced Fire Ground Resource Mgt**

Instructor: SOFA Instructors / Phone: 248-721-0758

Email: [rginther@beverlyhillspolice.com](mailto:rginther@beverlyhillspolice.com)

8) **SOFA Basic Fire Ground Resource Mgt**

Instructor: SOFA Instructors / Phone: 248-721-0758

Email: [rginther@beverlyhillspolice.com](mailto:rginther@beverlyhillspolice.com)

9) **Rapid Intervention Teams Awareness & Ops**

Instructor: On Scene Training Associates / Phone: 609-743-0166

Email: [onscenetraining.com](http://onscenetraining.com)

10) **Engine/Truck Hands on Training**

Instructor: On Scene Training Associates / Phone: 609-743-0166

Email: [onscenetraining.com](http://onscenetraining.com)

11) **Confined Space Rescue Awareness**

Instructor: Online Program / Phone: 616-299-5772

Email: [vanholstyn@ersintl.org](mailto:vanholstyn@ersintl.org)

12) **Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TCCC)**

Instructor(s): Bad Day Industries, LLC / Phone: 616-710-1443

Email: [b.stals@bdi-training.com](mailto:b.stals@bdi-training.com)

13) **Rescue Task Force - 4 hour**

Instructor(s): Bad Day Industries, LLC / Phone: 616-710-1443

Email: [b.stals@bdi-training.com](mailto:b.stals@bdi-training.com)

**20-02-10**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Styles** and seconded by **Councilperson Steichen** to approve Q Course Applications, FMQ20-001 to FMQ20-013.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

c) **Lockdown of Instructor I roster for additions and withdrawals: Councilperson Blomstrom** requests the next time SMOKE is updated, to look into the Fire Instructor I course roster locking at 28 days out so people cannot register for Instructor I course and/or there be a notification sent to instructors if a person withdraws. If a person withdraws, they will still be locked out until the instructor of Record removes them. Fire Marshal let Councilperson Blomstrom know that with the new Fire Instructor I curriculum, this issue will likely be resolved.

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Scott Tobey, ERS International** shared update on the Confined Space Rescue Awareness Program. It has been uploaded to their new Learning Management System, he asks for a few more volunteers before they go live with the program. The program is currently free of charge to any firefighter in the state. They are hoping to expanding to other courses; machine rescue awareness trench rescue awareness, ropes, and structural collapse.

**Mike Keefe, Allendale Fire Department** shared that there is currently has an ongoing academy with 32 students, using one location, and meeting as one group for lectures. He doesn't think the two separate rostered classes have the correct number of instructors for hands-on practical hours to be funded as two separate classes and are not meeting the practical hours required. He worries that there is a precedence being set if this is going to be allowed. **SFM to follow up with CTC.**

**Rob Ginther, Beverly Hills Public Safety** enquired about invoicing for non-compliant students, asked that the students FDID numbers be listed on the roster.

**Matt Majestic, Oakland Community College** requested clarification on collection of funds from non-compliant students, if they (OCC) are the fiduciary responsible. How can they invoice if they do not have access to the roster. It's the role of the course manager to notify and give student address and information. Also enquired if Regional Coordinator 2 position is Lansing based.

**Chris Mantels, Saugatuck Fire Department** asked BFS to send out memo clarifying NFIRS requirements. SFM stated there is currently a memo out about this requirement.

**Jesse Marcotte, Northville Fire Department** asked when to anticipate some progress on Instructor II.

**Mark Cleveland, Egelston Fire Department** asked when NFA Leadership and Supervision classes are slated to start. Fire Marshal stated that there are a few courses scheduled for the end of March.

**X. COUNCIL COMMENT:**

**Councilperson Blomstrom:** Asked if NFA Course Call will start soon, enquired if it is to be done how it was done in the past.

**Councilperson Blackmer:** No comments.

**Councilperson Steichen:** Thanked those who submitted Grants. Thanked BFS staff for vetting and making their jobs easier.

**Councilperson Pettinger:** Highly encourages anyone interested to take the confined space class if they get the opportunity. Thanked them for offering it.

**Councilperson Styles:** No comments.

**Fire Marshal Sehlmeier:** Thanked everyone for coming out. Thanked everyone for their dialog. We will continue to work on the rules to get Instructor II going. Thanked the council on their hard work on the Grants. There is a rules work session scheduled for March, Oakland Community College in April and will have a rules work session then as well.

**Chairperson Tackett:** Appreciates everyone coming and for those who submitted applications for grants.

d) **ADJOURNMENT:**

**20-02-11**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Blomstrom** and seconded by **Councilperson Pettinger** to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.** The meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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Chairperson Tackett

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Councilmember

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**MICHIGAN FIRE FIGHTERS TRAINING COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**  
**WORK SESSION - RULES**

Lansing Fire Department Training Facility  
3015 Alpha Access, Lansing, MI 48910  
Monday, March 9, 2020  
9:00 AM

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**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Liz Arasim, Regulatory Affairs Officer, Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs  
Josh Mosher, Midland Fire Department  
Mark Cleveland, Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:**

Chairperson Tackett called the special meeting/work session to order at 9:15 a.m. A quorum was determined present.

**II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**20-03-01**

A **MOTION** was made by **Chairperson Tackett** and seconded by **Councilperson White** to approve the March 9, 2020 special meeting agenda, as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**III. COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Fire Marshal Sehmeyer** shared that he has received a call from a Washtenaw County Chief regarding concerns and questions on new rules. He also spoke with a Chief in the U.P. regarding if they are required to be Fire Officer IV.

**Councilperson Tackett** shared an email Councilperson Styles received from Chief Johnson from Novi regarding Fire Instructor I requirements and NFPA 1041 requirements for

Educational Methodology. He also received correspondence from the Michigan Association Fire Chiefs (MAFC) that compares language in PA 291 to the current (1/23/2020) draft version of the general rules.

**Councilperson Blomstrom** spoke someone from Leelanau County that had questions on Officer I&II and inquired about the status of the rules.

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. Fire Fighter Training Council General Rules Update:** A revised draft of the Fire Fighter Training Council General Rules (dated January 23, 2020) was provided to the council in their meeting packets and projected for all attendees to view during the work session. FFD Department Technician, Andrea Keown made changes to the working draft document per the discussion. The discussion resumed with council revisiting the general provisions to update and make any clarifications. The council took a lunch break from 12:20-1:20 p.m. After the lunch break the council started discussion regarding reciprocity qualifications. Reciprocity language was added to some of the classifications.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

#### **V. COUNCIL COMMENT:**

**Councilperson Janik: None.**

**Councilperson White: None.**

**Councilperson Blomstrom: None.**

**Fire Marshal Sehmeyer: None.**

**Chairperson Tackett: None.**

#### **VI. ADJOURNMENT:**

**20-03-02**

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Janik** and seconded by **Councilperson White** to adjourn the special meeting/work session. **MOTION CARRIED.** The meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

#### **APPROVED:**

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Chairperson Tackett

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Councilmember