

**DOWNRIVER MUTUAL AID  
REGULAR MEETING – October 1, 2009**

**Item #4**

Present:

Allen Park	
Brownstown Twp.	Deputy Supervisor Greg Mahar
Ecorse	
Flat Rock	Councilman Jonathan Dropiewski
Gibraltar	
Grosse Ile Twp.	
Huron Twp.	Supervisor Elke Doom
Lincoln Park	Mayor Frank Vaslo
Melvindale	Mayor Valerie Cadez
River Rouge	
Riverview	Mayor Tim Durand
Rockwood	Mayor Daniel Guzzi
Romulus	
Southgate	Mayor Norma Wurmlinger
Taylor	
Trenton	Councilman Terry Teifer
Woodhaven	Councilman Edward Smith
Wyandotte	Mayor Joseph Peterson

Others present: D/F/Lt. Darwin Scott, Chief Dan Grant and Chief Bill Vack

The meeting was opened by the Chair, Councilman Terry Teifer, at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call and introductions.

Agenda: Motion by Mayor Wurmlinger, supported by Deputy Supervisor Mahar, to accept the agenda with one addition – request for approval to purchase a “raid van” for DRANO. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Mayor Vaslo reported. Motion by Councilman Dropiewski, supported by Mayor Peterson, to accept the minutes of 9/10/09 as written. The motion passed unanimously.

Downriver Mutual Aid Report:

DRANO: D/F/Lt. Darwin Scott reported that an officer from River Rouge just started with the DRANO team.

D/F/Lt. Darwin Scott also presented a request to purchase a van for use in raids by DRANO (included in the 2009/2010 budget). Based on quotes received, the amount requested is \$24,000. The van will need to be customized, which will cost an additional \$4,000 - \$7,000. Motion by Mayor Peterson, supported by Mayor Cadez, to authorize purchase of the van for DRANO based on the amounts discussed. The motion passed unanimously.

Police: Chief Dan Grant reported that things have been fairly quiet but there had been a few SWAT team call-outs. Chief Grant also expressed his appreciation to Jim Perry and the staff at the DCC for their continued assistance in obtaining COPS grants, providing needed equipment for all DMA member police departments.

Fire: Chief Bill Vack reported that things have also been fairly quiet for the fire departments. Chief Vack said that the fire chiefs recently held their election of officers, and that the group will be headed by Chief Fedel of Taylor; this is Chief Vack’s last meeting as Chair of the DMA Fire group. Chief Vack was thanked and applauded for his leadership.

Motion by Mayor Durand, supported by Deputy Supervisor Mahar, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.