

**DOWNRIVER MUTUAL AID  
REGULAR MEETING – February 4, 2010**

**Item #4**

Present:

Allen Park	Mayor Gary Burtka
Brownstown Twp.	
Ecorse	
Flat Rock	Mayor Jonathan Dropiewski
Gibraltar	Mayor James Gorris
Grosse Ile Twp.	Alternate William Krauss
Huron Twp.	
Lincoln Park	Mayor Frank Vaslo
Melvindale	Mayor Valerie Cadez
River Rouge	Mayor Michael Bowdler
Riverview	Mayor Tim Durand
Rockwood	Mayor Daniel Guzzi
Romulus	Delegate Tim Keyes, Economic Development Director
Southgate	Mayor Joseph Kuspa
Taylor	Alternate Rocky Alazazi
Trenton	Councilman Terry Teifer
Woodhaven	Mayor Pro-tem Jeffrey Harris
Wyandotte	Alternate Todd Drysdale, Administrative Services Director

Others present: Chief Dan Grant and Chief Vince Fedel

The meeting was opened by the Chair, Councilman Terry Teifer, at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call and introductions. Chairman Teifer welcomed new board members Mayor Joseph Kuspa of Southgate and Alternate Rocky Alazazi of Taylor.

Agenda: Motion by Delegate Keyes, supported by Mayor Durand, to accept the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Mayor Frank Vaslo reported. Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Mayor Cadez, to accept the minutes of 12/3/09 as written. The motion passed unanimously.

Downriver Mutual Aid Report:

DRANO: Activity report was included in the packet – D/F/Lt. Darwin Scott was not present.

Police: Chief Dan Grant reported that there were three callouts for police services: (1) SWAT Team in Melvindale for barricaded gunman – all was resolved by Melvindale Police Department; (2) to assist Gibraltar & U.S. Marshal with search of the perimeter for search and arrest of a fugitive wanted for a homicide; and (3) Dive Team rescue of two hunters in Brownstown.

Fire: Chief Vince Fedel reported, referencing the joint fire chiefs meeting with CWW held in December. He reported that the fire chiefs have been working with legal counsel on the Inter-local agreement and fire agreement from 1968/1981 – there are concerns that several communities still have not opted out of the older agreement. The Fire Chiefs are looking for more collaborative efforts through FEMA. Discussion followed of fire agreements in place and cost recovery concerns. Mayor Bowdler spoke on River Rouge's financial situation and inquired about fire consolidation efforts. Sue Pilon advised that documents relating to this effort are still included on DCC's website. Chief Fedel said this would be his last meeting – he is retiring. Everyone wished him well.

No new business or remarks from the audience. Motion by Delegate Keyes, supported by Mayor Burtka, to adjourn at 6:20 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.