

MEETING MINUTES
MASAR MEMBERS MEETING
JUNE 13, 2004
DISTRICT WARDENS OFFICE SIDNEY, MAINE

Called to order at 13:15 hrs. Attendees asked to introduce themselves by name and team association.. 9 Members attending. 6 Teams and Warden Service represented. Presidents comments. She noted that each team was entitled to one vote and the individual members would be entitled to one collective vote. President noted that she had received questions regarding Warden Service members attending the MASAR meeting. Her position is that the Warden Service is an agency member and a critical component of MASAR. It is vital for their involvement. President desires to keep meetings to 2 hours or less. The President stated that she and key MASAR officers have and will when necessary meet with Warden Management, for the purpose of advancing the workers comp issue and other issues that require close coordination. A complete report will be made at the next membership meeting. Items that impact policy will be voted on at the next membership meeting. The President stated that she has directed the Secretary to e mail the minutes to the team representative currently on file, she is asking these individuals to share the information with all team members. Jennifer hopes this will enhance the overall purpose and goals of M ASAR.

Secretary Report. April meeting minutes distributed and discussed Motion to accept made by Al Martin and seconded by Julie Jones. Motioned carried

Treasurer: \$2586.84 balance on hand. Al Martin moved to accept. Pat Dorian seconded Motion carried

Discussion of searches. Sgt. Dorian talked about Northport search and the use of our groups. Greenville area search Baker Lake found individual by plane. Canton area For old search follow up. nearly 40 calls for search related items recently. No major searches involving MASAR. Three wardens sent to national conference returning with lots of great information Wardens are attempting to get certified as MLPI instructors this could improve capabilities for Wardens and MASAR in the future Classes could be introduced in Aug / Sept timeframe. Pat will keep MASAR informed. NASAR standards are being given over to ASTM as the standards agency. Keep an eye on the future it could have impact our standards.. Data entry will be done for each search for future use by Wardens. Wardens have been asked to make presentation about homicides and searches for all CID investigators.

Vern Mc Moarn reported on a carry out at Baxter May 7th Called for a stand by for male injured both arms. Call out of Lincoln and Dirigo carry out was required. Lincoln had seven members , Dirigo had 11. At 05:30 May 8th they reached the ambulance. Clothing was mentioned as a problem. White Water Rafters and campers were not dressed properly. DEEMI was referred by Guard as a resource but could not fly due to weather..

Workers Comp report president reported that details are being worked on by MASAR. MEMA and The Warden Service. Details will be presented at the next membership meeting. It is in place but details need to be worked out and documented.

Al Martin reported on insurance his team has VFIS that covers health and accident for all team members. Currently the state has insurance on teams for medical when called out or for approved training with notification on file with Wardens. It does not cover all activities of various teams. Teams could purchase health and accident insurance independently. Liability would require some major structure changes. MASAR would have to become an entity with standards and operational entity for all teams, this would be a major undertaking and costly as well. Much discussion took place with the final outcome was a motion by Julie Jones and seconded by Pat Dorian to table the issue until further investigation could be done and a discussion with State Risk Management officials. Future details to be presented..

CAP Lt..Browne spoke about what CAP does. He asked that MASAR participate. In some of the CAP training. Discussion of CAP participation in MASAR activities was held. It is evident that CAP is deeply interested in being part of MASAR. Fall training exercise North Star Team has things well in hand. Teams need to support this excellent training opportunity. All team contacts are asked to work on getting the word out to members.

President reported that MASAR Executive Board had decided to obtain a cup with the MASAR logo on it as a gift from MASAR. It was given at the spring training program. The president requested consideration for MASAR to pay for the cup. Motion by Al Martin Seconded by Bob Bohlmann, motion carried.

President : indicated we need to up date our by laws. Discussion followed with the final suggestion to send out a request for volunteers to serve on a committee. All interested team members from any MASAR Team should contact President Jennifer Fisk. Help make a difference.

Suzanne Kynast has developed a discussion list for MASAR. Individuals will need to contact Suzanne to get registered to access the site. This site opens up many good information sharing possibilities. Al Martin made a motion Pat Dorian seconded to designate Suzanne Kynast as Discussion list administrator. Discussion conducted and a vote was taken motion carried.

Motion by Julie Jones seconded by Suzanne Kynast to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 15:35.

Next scheduled meeting will be held at 13:00 hours August 8th at the District Warden Headquarters in Sidney, Maine.

Respectfully submitted
Robert C. Bohlmann
Secretary