

TARRANT COUNTY FIRE & ARSON INVESTIGATORS ASSOCIATION

2750 Premier St.

Fort Worth, TX. 76111



February 7th, 2019

The monthly meeting of the Tarrant County Fire and Arson Investigators Association was held on February 7th, 2019 at 10:00 am at the Tarrant County Fire Marshal's Office with First Vice President Brad Sims presiding.

The meeting was called to order, opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and an Invocation.

There were 32 members present.

Guests: Jackie McKay, Keller Battalion Chief; Jeff Aaron, Tarrant County Sheriff's Office CID; Ken Mills, Everman FMO.

Regular Business:

Approval of the Minutes – Previous month's minutes were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by Kenny Wilson and seconded by Debra Crafton. All Approved; motion passed.

Committee Reports:

A. Treasurer Report – Secretary Jessica Eiswald reported an ending balance was \$17,536.06 with no checks being made. See website for detailed report.

B. Training Committee Report –Kenny Wilson reported the following:

a. Arson for Prosecutors class

i. April 17th; each class will have an investigator and an attorney co-teaching.

ii. Multiple guest speakers will be set for the 12-hour long class.

b. Homemade Explosives; Grand Prairie Fort Worth February 13th.

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c. European Interview Techniques; February 16-19; Grand Prairie; \$1000

d. Practical Aspects of Fire/Arson & Arson Case Management; February 26-28; Fort Worth; PATC.com

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- e. Fire Pattern Recognition; March 12-14; Fort Worth; PATC.com
- f. TX IAAI Conference; Austin; March 17-22; Free admission, Register with TEEK
 - i. New breakout sessions will be provided.
- g. Arson Scene Search; April 9-10; Fort Worth; PATC.com
- h. Fire Fatality Investigation; April 30-May 1; Fort Worth; PATC.com
- i. Vehicle Fire Investigation; May 21-23; Fort Worth; PATC.com
- j. Electrical Fire Investigation; June 25-27; Fort Worth; PATC.com
- k. Tarrant County Sheriff's Office has extended their invitation to us to go to any of their classes. Go to tarrantcounty.com under Sheriff and "Professional Development and Training" and "Training Academy" to view a list of classes provided.
 - i. They provide a warrant writing class that we are looking to see if we can get one specifically set for our members.

C. Social Committee Report – Mike Rehfeld had nothing to report.

D. Law Enforcement and Prosecution Committee Report – Tracy Kapsidelis reported that last week the State Bar Association approved CLEs for the attorneys attending our "Arson for Prosecutors" class in April. This will go a long way in getting higher attendance from local prosecutors. Looking at bids for meals to be served, as the class will be 12 hrs long. Asking for a deadline for signups, will be April 5th.

E. Legislative and By-laws Committee – Nothing to report.

Old Business:

A. South Trailer – Butler nothing to report.

B. Respiratory – Lankford nothing to report.

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C. Arson for Prosecutors class – Instructors will be meeting next week to discuss further details.

New Business:

None

Departments Reports of Incidents:

Open discussion was held.

Fort Worth wanted the members to be aware of a rash of 1990s model GMC Yukon's being burned with no engines.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by Sammy Cox, 2nd by Joey Lankford. All Approved @ 10:40 am. The next meeting of the Tarrant County Arson Investigators Association will be conducted on March 7th 2019 at 10:00 am at the Tarrant County Fire Marshal's Office.

Submitted By,

Jessica Eiswald

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Meeting Agenda

March 7th, 2018

- I. Pledge
- II. Prayer
- III. Guests
 - a. Tarrant County Health Department
- IV. Regular Business
 - a. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Amounts of 2020 Dues are incorrect in the January's minutes. Correction to be made.
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - c. Training Committee Report
 - d. Social Committee Report
 - e. Law Enforcement / Criminal Prosecution
 - f. Legislative & By-Laws Report
- V. Old Business
 - a. Awning for South Trailer
 - b. Respiratory Concerns
- VI. New Business
- VII. Member Department Incidents Reports
- VIII. Adjournment