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Subject: Minutes of VSMA Meeting 11/26/01

Minutes of the meeting held in Old Saybrook on 11/26/01

The meeting was called to order by President Bauer at 8:15 pm, with a salute to the flag, after Chief Heiney had presented the members with a tour of his new firehouse. There were 8 departments represented at the meeting.

Minutes of the October 11, 2001 meeting were read. MMS to accept as read. So voted.

Treasurers report was read showing \$5277.33 in checking. MMS to accept as read. So voted.

Communications: none.

Presentation of Bills: none.

Committees:

President Bauer opened a discussion on why the Rubin class was postponed with lack of attendance being the most important factor. There were no further tickets purchased after the head count of 30 from the VSMA departments. We have paid for his plane ticket out here for a future date. President Bauer opened a discussion with both positive and negative feedback.

The following points discussed were:

- A) Putting out the flyer more than 1 month.
- B) Suggested putting the seminar on the state calendar to get outside ticket sales.
- C) Looking at more updated topics that interest more people.
- D) Possibly looking at a one day instead of two day seminar for family reasons and people that work Saturdays.
- E) Looking at Brunacini or a World Trade Center speaker. **More to follow.

Chief Herrschaft handed out new RITT Procedures to be distributed to all departments.

Old Business:

The question was asked for the status of the HIRT Team? Chief Long mentioned that Cliff Spencer doesnot have the time to dedicate to the HIRT Team. Westbrook Fire Department owns the trailer and the VSMA books are at Valley Shore Communications. It was asked how many techs does each town have? Discussion followed on the future of Hazmat.

New Business:

Essex will hold a FF1 class starting January 8th, flyers will be sent to all departments with details. Don Johnson asked to have the annual meal at the December meeting in Westbrook. New date for the meeting will be Tuesday December 18th at 8:00 pm.

Interest to the organization:

Chief Long discussed a call that involved a DNR Bracelet that was straight orange with out the checkered plaid background.

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Middlesex County Chiefs has distributed a survey on response to biological hazards. Copies will be mailed out to each department.

Chief Heiney asked for any department that wishes to attend the Torchlight Parade on December 8th, they are now asking for fire departments to bring one piece of apparatus.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectively submitted,
Greg Scott, secretary/treasurer
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