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Minutes of the November 22, 2004 VSMAA Meeting in Old Saybrook, CT

President Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM with 11 departments represented.

Special Presentations:

1. Bob Zigler presented the Middlesex portion of the statewide disaster plan. Electronic copies are available through Fred Dudek. There was some discussion about the dispatching protocols, however the important messaging is that dispatched companies shall respond from their station in their fire apparatus, not by personal vehicle. No personal vehicles will be allowed at either North or South staging areas, and will not be allowed to respond to the assignment. It was also noted that on April 5, 2005, New London would be hosting a 5-day, multi agency (international) drill involving WMD and building collapse. It is highly likely that departments from Middlesex County will be dispatched. Department leaders should consider the allocation of apparatus and rotational logistics of personnel.

The minutes of the October 25, 2004 meeting were read, MMS to accept as read.

The treasurer reports a balance of \$4691.04.

Communications:

1. None

Bills to be Paid:

1. None

Committee report(s):

1. Statewide Disaster Plan: Jed introduced Bob Zigler and Paul Owen. Bob provided a brief presentation on the Middlesex – statewide disaster plan.
2. Schools: Jed reports that the state is still debating locations. It appears that Middletown and the state may be negotiating a deal for the Newfield Street location, with Middletown building a new fire station at that location.
3. Training: Dotson Smoke Reading Class –The course will be held in Guilford, at the new fire headquarters on Route 77, behind the police station. This is off exit 58 (I-95). A MMS to pay for pizza lunch out of VSMAA funds. There are approximately 94 persons planning on attending with counts still outstanding from Guilford, North Madison and Westbrook.

Old Business:

1. None

New Business:

1. Don Johnson called for a nominating committee for next year's officers. Dick Bauer, Jeff True and Jed Perkins volunteered for the task.

Interest To The Organization:

1. Dick Bauer introduced Killingworth's new rescue captain, Paul Jacobs.
2. Rob McCarthy reports contacting Valley Shore Communications regarding the dispatch protocol for a decon trailer. Rob reports that VSC would dispatch the DEP trailer out of the Old Saybrook office, and has no knowledge of NASH (or Middletown). Charlie Herrschaft reports that the Old Saybrook decon trailer is now located in Wallingford.
3. Frank Schempp announced that Jeff Hessier was nominated and elected to fill in for departing Assistant Chief Mike Conklin.
4. Charlie Greeney reports that Chester Hose is sponsoring a Fire Police course January 10th and 17th, Monday evenings, 6:30 pm at the Chester Fire house. The course will comply with the new curriculum.

Next meeting will be December 27, 2004, Westbrook Fire Headquarters at 8:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59

Respectively submitted
Buck Taylor
Secretary/Treasurer