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Minutes of the September 26th, 2005 VSMAI meeting in North Madison, CT.

The meeting was called to order by President McCarthy at 19:05 hrs with a salute to the flag.

Special Presentations: None

The minutes of the August 22nd, 2005 meeting were read. MMS to accept as read (Brady / Andrews).

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$2,878.35. MMS to accept the Treasurer's report as presented (Alletzhauer / Tabak).

Communications: None

Bills to be Paid: None

Committee report(s):

1. Statewide Disaster Plan: None
2. Schools: None

Old Business:

1. Common language / radios: John Tabak distributed the list of common language terms that were adopted by the Middlesex County Fire Chiefs. John indicated that the National Incident Management System (NIMS) requires that common language be adopted by 10/1/2005 to be eligible for any federal grants. Charlie Herrschaft questioned what VSMAI's plan was for addressing all NIMS deficiencies, for example how sides of the building are labeled (1,2,3,4 or A,B,C,D), radio call signs for apparatus, etc. After considerable discussion MMS (Herrschaft / True) for all VSMAI Fire Chiefs to convene for the purpose of reviewing all VSMAI SOG's and addressing all NIMS deficiencies. Charlie Herrschaft will secure a NIMS subject matter expert to provide guidance on what changes need to be made and when they need to be completed by. After the VSMAI Fire Chiefs have completed their review and provided recommendations VSMAI will vote on all NIMS-related changes. President McCarthy will attempt to find a meeting time that works for all Chiefs.



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New Business:

1. Scott Andrews indicated that he would be stepping down as Fire Chief effective 10/3/2005. Scott thanked all VSMIAI departments for their support during his tenure as Chief, most notably during the past year.
2. Tim Ballantyne indicated that the Deep River Fire Department was recently awarded a FIRE Grant to purchase turnout gear and SCBA.

Interest To The Organization:

1. Old Saybrook Fire Department will be hosting a Firefighter 1 course beginning Monday, October 3, 2005.
2. Westbrook will be hosting a Firefighter 1 course beginning some time in January 2006. More information to follow.
3. Chester Hose Company will be hosting a Fire Service Instructor 1 and an Aerial Operations class, both beginning at the end of October. Dates TBD.
4. Old Saybrook will be holding their annual Haunted Hayride at the end of October. Jeff will distribute flyers.

MMS to adjourn at 19:40 hours (Hajek / True).

Respectfully submitted,
Richard A. Bauer

Secretary / Treasurer

Next meeting will be Monday October 24th in Old Lyme at 19:00 hours.



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Attendees – September 26th, 2005:

Eric Alletzhauser – North Madison
Scott Andrews – Clinton
Tim Ballantyne – Deep River
Dick Bauer – Killingworth
John Brady – North Madison
Jim Budney – Deep River
Paul Fazzino - Essex
Bob Gerard – Madison
Charlie Greeney - Chester
James Grzybowski - Chester
Todd Hajek – Killingworth
Charles Herrschaft – Guilford
Gary Klare – Haddam
Rob McCarthy – Old Lyme
Steve Olsen – Essex
Gregg Prevost - Westbrook
Nich Rist-Brown – North Madison
Frank Schrempp – Clinton
John Tabak – Haddam
Jeff True – Old Saybrook