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Minutes of the March 27, 2006 VSMAI meeting in Deep River, CT.

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

Special Presentations: None

Reading of the previous meeting minutes

The minutes of the February 27, 2006 meeting were read. MMS to accept as read (Perkins / Manware).

Reading of communications: None.

Treasurer's report:

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$3,553.35. MMS to accept the Treasurer's report as presented (Hajek / Manware). Note: 2006 dues have not been received from Chester, Deep River, Old Lyme and Madison.

Bills to be paid: None.

Committee report(s):

1. Statewide Disaster Plan: Jed Perkins reported that the upper county has met and developed a draft for the task force. Next step is to work on a lower county implementation plan. Next meeting is scheduled for April 6.
2. Schools: Charlie Herrschaft reported that he was contacted by the Governor's office last week and notified that \$357,000 had been approved for the New Haven Fire School.

Old Business:

1. Drug Lab Class – CSP: President Fazzino contacted Major Terenzi of the CSP to establish a date for the Drug Lab Class but had not heard back as yet.



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2. NIMS / SOG review: Changes to the SOP's / SOG's that were reviewed in February (300, 400, 1000 and 1200) were handed out & reviewed. Several minor revisions were noted, including:

- 1000: Change to a guideline.
- 1000: Remove "Officers" from the title.
- 1200: Change to a guideline.

Copies of SOP's / SOG's 500 and 700 were handed out, all members were requested to review these two sections and bring any changes to the April meeting in Durham. SOP 1100 (Mayday) should also be reviewed during the month with changes brought to the April meeting. In addition – any requests for new SOGs should be brought to the table at the April meeting.

3. Chief Herrschaft requested again that each town e-mail him with the names of any HazMat Techs so he can organize a list. No names had been received since last month's meeting. Need to determine a method for alerting the HazMat team, it was discussed that potentially Valley Shore could send out a text message to team members.

New Business:

1. A letter from the Durham Fire Department was read requesting membership into Valley Shore Mutual Aid. MMS (Bauer / Herrschaft) to accept Durham into a one-year probationary status as per the VSMIAI By-Laws.
2. Dave Steele, Sr. Captain of the Durham Fire Department, reported that Durham will be transitioning to high band during May 2006. Durham will be operating on high-band with a cross-band down to their new low-band frequency, 45.72.
3. Rick Darin provided an overview of Valley Shore Emergency Communications' (VSECI) plan to apply for a regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of UHF equipment to support their plan to apply for a T-Band waiver to operate on unassigned non-public spectrum between 470 MHz and 472 MHz. Rick explained that to date VSECI has not been successful in obtaining high-power UHF channels. Durham Fire will act as the "host" applicant for the VSECI grant and each agency in the VSECI service area is being asked to co-sponsor VSECI's grant request. Towns signing on as a co-sponsor will not be prevented from applying for a AFG grant provided they are not requesting the same equipment included in the VSECI grant. Rick encouraged everyone to visit Litchfield County's website (www.lcd911.com) for an overview of the system they recently implemented. VSECI's would be very similar to Litchfield's.



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Interest To The Organization:

1. Harry Hall has been in contact with a representative from ISO and is attempting to secure a presentation for the April meeting.
2. President Fazzino reported that the April 24th VSMAI meeting would be held in Durham, keeping with the VSMAI schedule to rotate meetings alphabetically by department.

MMS to adjourn at 19:50 hours (Raymond / Hajek).

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Bauer
Secretary / Treasurer

Next meeting will be Monday April 24th in **Durham** at 19:00 hours.



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Attendees – March 27, 2006:

Dick Bauer – Killingworth
Jim Budney – Deep River
Paul Fazzino – Essex
Todd Hajek – Killingworth
Charlie Herrschaft – Guilford
Gary Klare – Haddam
Tim Lee – Deep River
Brian Manware – Clinton
Steve Olsen – Essex
Jed Perkins – Chester
Bob Raymond – Deep River
Dave Steele - Durham
John Tabak – Haddam
Bob Voss – Clinton

Visitor: Rick Darin, Valley Shore Emergency Communications

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