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## Minutes of the September 24, 2007 VSMAI meeting in Killingworth, CT.

The meeting was called to order by President Fazzino at 19:40 hrs with a salute to the flag.

### Special Presentations:

#### Approval of the previous meeting minutes:

MMS (Hajek / Herrschaft) to accept the August 27, 2007 minutes as distributed.

#### Reading of communications: None.

#### Treasurer's report:

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$5,328.35. MMS to accept the Treasurer's report as presented (Hajek / Herrschaft).

#### Bills to be paid: None

#### Committee report(s):

1. Middlesex Fire-Rescue Coordinators: Gregg Prevost reported that they are in the process of updating the Middlesex County inventory. Responses have been received from VS departments, pending several responses from upper county departments. A draft of the Forestry Strike Team SOG has been distributed for review and presented to the County Chiefs. Final action will take place at the October Middlesex County meeting to be held at Connecticut Valley Hospital.

#### Old Business:

1. Mutual Aid Agreements: Still waiting for signed agreements from Chester, Guilford, and Westbrook.
2. Dick Bauer reported that VSECI has designated channels for Water Supply, Interior Operations, RIT and Fire Police. These channels have been approved for use by VSMAI departments. The details are listed below, President Fazzino requested that all departments add these frequencies in time for a January 1, 2008 implementation date.

NAME	RX	PL	TX	PL	USE
VS Interior	460.4125	141.3	460.4125	141.3	Portable Only
VS RIT	465.4125	141.3	465.4125	141.3	Portable Only
VS Fire Police	458.6625	141.3	458.6625	141.3	Portable Only
VS Water Supply	458.5125	141.3	458.5125	141.3	Mobile Only

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## **New Business**

1. Steve Biasi reported that a representative from Conn OSHA will be at the October 22 meeting in Madison. The tentative agenda / topics are as follows:
  - a. Main safety concerns being addressed by Conn OSHA concerning fire departments.
  - b. Describe and detail how Conn OSHA conducts accident investigations concerning fire departments and how chief officers play into the investigations including their responsibilities.
  - c. How the NFPA standards are viewed by Conn OSHA in regards to potential violations (5a1 violations) and which ones are most enforced.
  - d. Most common issues encountered in the fire service over the past 3 years.

Everyone will be requested to RSVP with a head count so we can ensure that there is adequate space for the meeting.

2. Chief Herrschaft reported that Guilford is contemplating a RIT competition that will be held in November. Cash prizes will be offered, more information will be forthcoming.
3. Chief Herrschaft reminded any departments responding into Guilford that they should operate on the tactical channels (typically tac 1), not the Guilford Command channel.

## **Interest to the Organization:**

1. Todd Hajek reported that Killingworth will be hosting an Open House and Pancake Breakfast this Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>.
2. Gregg Prevost reported that South District has taken delivery of their new engine and as such they no longer have a tanker. The Tanker (tender) Strike Team assignments will need to be updated for any department that included South District Tanker 30.
3. Sam Baber reported that Haddam's tanker (2-13) remains out of service due to a tank repair. No ETA is available at this time. Automatic mutual aid is in place while their tanker is out.
4. President Fazzino reported that Essex will be hosting a Fire Instructor class this fall and is looking to host a Firefighter 1 after the first of the year.
5. Jim Budney asked if there was an interest / need in a CDL class, Deep River is considering hosting a class. See Jim if you have anyone.



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6. Clark Maxson reported that Old Saybrook is hosting a Fire Officer 1 class beginning in January. Flyers have been mailed out to all departments but contact Clark if you need more information.

MMS to adjourn at 20:20 hours (Hajek / Maxson).

Respectfully submitted,

**Richard A. Bauer**  
Secretary / Treasurer

Next meeting will be Monday October 22<sup>nd</sup> in Madison (Hose Company) at 19:30 hours.

### **Attendees – September 24, 2007 – Killingworth**

Sam Baber – Haddam  
Dick Bauer – Killingworth  
Steve Biasi – North Madison  
Jim Budney – Deep River  
Rick Darin – VSECI  
Paul Fazzino – Essex  
Todd Hajek – Killingworth  
Charlie Herrschaft – Guilford  
Clark Maxson – Old Saybrook  
Gregg Prevost – Westbrook