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## Minutes of the November 26, 2007 VSMAI meeting in North Madison, CT.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Ballantyne at 19:30 hrs with a salute to the flag.

**Special Presentations:** None

### Approval of the previous meeting minutes:

MMS (Prevost / Hajek) to accept the October 22, 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 / Grzybowski).

**Bills to be paid:** None

### Committee report(s):

1. Middlesex Fire-Rescue Coordinators: Gregg Prevost reported that Forestry Strike Team SOG was approved at the November meeting of the Middlesex County Fire Chiefs.

### Old Business:

1. Mutual Aid Agreements: Still waiting for signed agreements from Chester and Westbrook.
2. Radio / communications SOG: The proposed SOG was distributed and reviewed. Any departments with feedback / changes should submit them in writing to the Secretary. Suggestions / changes will be reviewed at the December VSMAI meeting in Old Lyme.

### New Business

1. Bob Gerard reported that the Madison Hose Company has formed a RIT team and is now in operation. 14 members have been trained, SOPs are in place and all RIT equipment has been moved to their rescue truck.
2. Allen Alonzo reported that there will be a Firefighter 1 in Essex beginning on Monday January 7, 2008. The class will be held on Monday and Thursday nights with a few weekend dates. Cost is \$450 of which \$225 is reimbursable through the State after certification has been obtained.



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3. Harry Hall asked if there were any upcoming Q-restriction classes in the area.
4. It was noted that there is a master list of grants available to the fire service at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).
5. An EMT course will be held in Essex at the end of January. Specific dates / information is available on the State DPH website.
6. The 2008 nominating committee was appointed: Clark Maxson, Jim Budney and Frank Schrempp. A proposed slate of officers will be presented at the December meeting in Old Lyme and voted upon at the January 2008 meeting in Old Saybrook.

#### **Interest to the Organization:**

1. Brian Manware thanked all Valley Shore towns for their support over the past 2 months as Clinton was dealing with the death of Past Chief Allen and the injuries to Chief Hesper.
2. Bob Gerard reminded all that the Madison Hose Company is selling history books as a fundraiser for \$20 each. Bob wrote the book which covers 100 years of MHC Apparatus and Firehouse history.

MMS to adjourn at 20:15 hours (Hajek / Hall).

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Bauer  
Secretary / Treasurer

Next meeting will be Monday December 17<sup>th</sup> in Old Lyme at 19:30 hours.



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## Attendees – November 26, 2007 – North Madison

Allen Alonzo – Chester  
Tim Ballantyne – Deep River  
Dick Bauer – Killingworth  
Chris Bernier – North Madison  
Steve Biasi – North Madison  
Jim Budney – Deep River  
Paul Fazzino – Essex  
Bob Gerard – Madison  
James Grzybowski – Chester  
Todd Hajek - Killingworth  
Harry Hall – Durham  
Charlie Herrschaft – Guilford  
Dave Jewett – Old Lyme  
Robert Kytte – Madison  
Brian Manware – Clinton  
Clark Maxson – Old Saybrook  
Gregg Prevost – Westbrook  
Frank Schrempp – Clinton  
Bob Voss – Clinton

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