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Minutes of the July 26, 2010 VSMAI meeting in Deep River, CT.

The meeting was called to order by President Fazzino at 19:55 hrs with a salute to the flag.

Attendees – July 26, 2010

Harry Hall - Durham	Tim Lee - Deep River
Rob Chad - Durham	Todd Hajek - Killingworth
David Jewett - Old Lyme	Arnie Moore - Killingworth
Greg Prevost - Westbrook	Paul Fazzino - Essex
Mike Jenkins - Westbrook	John Dunn - Old Saybrook
Charlie Herrschaft - Guilford	
Jim Budney - Deep River	

Special Presentations:

None

Approval of the previous meeting minutes: MMS (Jenkins / Hall) to accept the June 28, 2010 minutes as distributed. Motion passed unanimously.

Reading of communications: None

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer reported an opening balance of \$8,334.89, with \$100.00 of income. Ending balance is \$8,434.89. MMS to accept the Treasurer's report as presented (Hall / Jenkins). Motion passed unanimously.

Bills to be paid:

NONE		
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Committee report(s):

Statewide Disaster:

Incident Management Team progressing: they are looking for members. The application packages are out and need to be filled out by interested parties. The Region 2 Burn Trailer will be gas fired not Class A due to perceived maintenance issues. The order for the trailer has not been placed as of this date. \$60,000 is available to any Region 2 department wishing to host a training class. Proposal must be submitted to the Region for approval, and must be open to all Region 2 Departments.

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Regional Preparation/Pre-Planning:

Discussion was held regarding Tanker/Tender Strike Team questions asked by some Chiefs. It was generally decided that the organization need to revisit this SOG, and review the document regarding questions of correctness. The Secretary is asked to electronically distribute the latest edition of the VSMA SOG to each department Fire Chief.

Inventory Update – Nothing new, still awaiting many department inventories to be submitted. All departments need to submit our inventories at our earliest convenience.

Discussion was held regarding resurrecting the VSMA inventory listing. Further discussion needed.

Radio Frequency/Communications Committee:

N/R

Old Business:

Nothing to discuss

New Business:

Deep River Fire announced they are making the switch to operating on UHF frequencies. They will continue to dispatch on 46.08 and will operate simplex on a UHF frequency at the scene with no crossbanding. The OIC will operate on two radios for communicating with dispatch. All incoming Mutual Aid units will be asked to switch and operate on assigned frequency when approaching. Deep River Fire will forward the Frequencies and assignments to the Secretary Biasi for distribution to all departments

Discussion held regarding the Association making a donation in the name of each LODD in Bridgeport. MMS (Hall / Moore) to donate \$250 in the name of each BFD firefighter recently lost, for a total of \$500. Motion passed unanimously.

Interest to the Organization:

RIT Training to be held at OSFD September 11 & 12. This is a State Fire Academy course and is being offered free of charge through the use of Region 2 funds. Spots are still available.

Old Saybrook Fire announced an upcoming Train Mass Casualty exercise to be held on September 26th. Mutual aid companies will be copied under separate cover.

Durham reported that Gowans Knight has advised that the Spartan cab and Chassis for their new water supply engine is scheduled to be delivered in Mid-September. Chief Hall also advised that they have formed a committee for a new rescue pumper.



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Interest to the Organization: (continued)

Durham Fire announced that this years Durham Fair will be the weekend of September 26th and is running this year under an expanded 3 ½ day venue. Old Saybrook Fire advises that 3/2 is currently OOS for up to 7 days as it is out of the water for repainting of its bottom. OSFD advises problem with the originally supplied bottom paint.

Essex Fire announced plans to hold a CDL class in the mid to late fall time frame. Announcements will be made once class is scheduled.

Westbrook Fire / Clinton Fire combining forces to hold a CDL class starting in early August. Contact either Chief Voss or Chief Jenkins if you have any candidates.

Westbrook Ambulance announces there will be an EMR / EMT bridge class offered in the September – December time frame. Announcements will be distributed.

Discussion held regarding the possibility of holding a Middlesex County sponsored FF I class in the area. It was believed that Clinton Fire may be looking into this.

Killingworth Fire announced that it had recently received 4 quotes for remounting and refurbing their twin tankers. They stated that upon the opening of all 4 quotes, all were rejected. It was felt that no vendor correctly complied with the RFQ supplied by Killingworth Fire. They are planning to reissue the RFQ once again.

MMS to adjourn at 20:55hours (Hall / Jenkins).

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Fazzino
President/Secretary Pro-Tem

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 23, 2010 in Durham at 7:30 PM.

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