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 Essex Fire Engine Co. No. 1

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 North Madison Vol. Fire Co.

Minutes of the November 28, 2016 VSMAI meeting in Old Lyme, CT.

President Paul Fazzino called the meeting to order at 19:40 hours with a salute to the flag.

Attendees – November 28, 2016

Joe Johnson – Old Saybrook	Ben Bagnati – Old Saybrook
James Budney – Deep River	Gable Galsamo – North Madison
Mark Decillis – North Madison	Rick Swan – State Fire Coordinator
Jed Perkins – Essex	Charles Herrschaft - Guilford
Arnie Moore – Killingworth	Jim Schaefer – Chester
Chris Going – Essex	Paul Fazzino, Jr. – Essex
Tom Risom – Old Lyme	Steve Biasi – North Madison
Paul Fazzino - Essex	

Special Presentations:

None

Approval of the previous meeting minutes:

No previous meeting minutes and no previous minutes were distributed.

Reading of communications:

None

Treasurer’s report: The Treasurer reported an opening balance of \$4,680.58, with \$300.00 of income and \$150.00 bills or payments. The ending balance is \$4,830.58. MMS to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented (Johnson/Budney). Motion passed unanimously.

Bills to be paid:

Ashleigh’s Garden - \$150.00 – Amanda Bernier’s Services.

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Committee report(s):

State Fire Coordinator's Report:

State Fire Coordinator Rick Swan announced a meeting was conducted today and recommended each department coordinate with the EOC in order to have any emergency shelters listed as emergency shelters. In the event of an emergency and the shelters are utilized without the shelters being listed with the EOC reimbursement for the emergency may no occur since the shelter was not listed with the EOC.

Mr. Swan also announced there is pending legislation that proposes any unusual events/fires such as the recent recycling center in Essex can be reimbursement by the property owner. The proposed legislation does not allow fire departments to make a profit but to only get reimbursed for extensive expenses incurred by the emergency event.

President Fazzino requested Mr. Swan send the proposed legislation to him for distribution to the chiefs in the valley shore organization.

Mr. Sawn also announced the mass casualty event in Middlefield on December 3rd.

Regional Preparation/Pre-Planning:

No report

Radio Frequency/Communications Committee

No report

Website:

President Fazzino spoke with JT Dunn of Old Saybrook and obtained the phone number for the individual overseeing the website/having the domain for the valley shore website. President Fazzino attempted to contact the individual numerous times but did not receive any callbacks from the individual. President Fazzino suggested the organization may have start over with a new website.

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Tanker Strike Team SOP:

Chief Tom Risom of Old Lyme announced his department is revising it's Marine Operations SOP and plans to consult with Old Saybrook during the revising process. Chief Risom also requested SOPs from any department willing to provide their Marine Operations SOP.

Tanker Fill Site Setup SOP:

No report

Accountability SOP

No report

RIT/Mayday SOG Review

No report

Incident Command SOG

No report

Old Business:

No report

New Business:

No report



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Interest to the Organization:

President Fazzino opened discussion concerning the valley shore organization purchasing a reserve aerial apparatus. The purchase would be a joint effort between Essex, Clinton, Madison and Guilford (departments with aerial apparatus). President Fazzino announced there was interest in obtaining the old aerial apparatus from Westbrook. Westbrook's old aerial apparatus is a Baker aerial. Westbrook's aerial did not get purchased at auction and there was a proposed of \$5,000.00 based upon the aerial passing inspection. Chief Herrschaft of Guilford obtain Baker qualified inspector from FDNY, however, the apparatus did not pass inspection and the idea was scrapped. President Fazzino suggested pursuing this idea further since many departments are in need of a reserve aerial piece.

Chief Fazzino of Essex announced Essex is planning to get their two new twin engines in service by Christmas.

Deputy Chief Jim Budney thanked everyone for their help during their recent brush fire.

State Fire Coordinator Rick Swan announced Trooper One can not supply water during brush fires and informed everyone the cost to call in the National Guard for assistance starts at \$10,000.00 and goes up from there.

MMS to at hours 20:10 (Budney/Swan).

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Biasi

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Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 19, 2016 in Old Saybrook at 7:30pm.