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Minutes of the December 23, 2013 VSMAI meeting in Durham, CT.

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

Attendees – December 23, 2013

Mike Jenkins – Westbrook	Jim Budney – Deep River
Jim Schaefer – Chester	Paul Fazzino Jr. – Essex
Sam Baber – Haddam	Jeremy Adametz – Killingworth
Dick Bauer – Killingworth	Robert Chadd – Durham
Charles Herrschaft – Guilford	Harry Hall – Durham
David Greenbacker – Durham	Terrance Wall – Durham
Steve Biasi – North Madison	Paul Fazzino - Essex

Special Presentations:

NONE

Approval of the previous meeting minutes: MMS (Jenkins/Bauer) to accept the November 25, 2013 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Reading of communications:

NONE

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer reported an opening balance of \$5,297.41, with \$234.00 of income and \$0.00 bills or payments. Ending balance is \$5,531.41. MMS to accept the Treasurer's report as presented (Baber/Jenkins). Motion passed unanimously.

Bills to be paid:

NONE

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Committee report(s):

State Fire Coordinator's Report:

NO REPORT

Regional Preparation/Pre-Planning:

NO REPORT

Radio Frequency/Communications Committee:

NO REPORT

Website:

NO REPORT

Tanker Strike Team SOP:

NO REPORT

Tanker Fill Site Setup SOP:

NO REPORT

Accountability SOP

NO REPORT

RIT/Mayday SOG Review

NO REPORT

Old Business:

Deputy Chief Jim Budney, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, made the announcement the current officers were being nominated for their same positions for 2014. Nominations from the floor and a vote would take place next month.



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President Fazzino announced nominees/volunteers for the audit committee was needed. Chief Dick Bauer of Killingworth, Chief JT Dunn and Chief Sam Baer of Haddam were nominated and selected to serve on the audit committee.

President Fazzino announced an upcoming meeting would occur to discuss and develop a preamble to the Valley Shore SOPs/SOGs. Following the meeting, the outcome of the meeting will be reviewed at the next valley shore meeting and then with legal counsel.

New Business:

NO REPORT

Interest to the Organization:

Chief Bauer of Killingworth reported Past Chief Ray Clark was in Middlesex Hospital on the 6th floor and was looking for visitors. Chief Bauer stated Chief Clark was very active in the Valley Shore organization and was one of the driving forces that made the organization what it is today.

Assistant Chief Mike Jenkins of Westbrook reported Past Chief Loren Baker was also in Hartford Hospital and does have his cell phone available. Assistant Chief Jenkins stated Past Chief Baker was looking for phone calls and may be coming down to Apple Rehab.

Past Chief Harry Hall opened discussion about possible upcoming training course and classes.

Chief Herrschaft stated he was looking to host a TIC class and would have more information at the next upcoming meeting.

Assistant Chief Fazzino, Jr. of Essex announced Essex FD was looking to host an Ice Rescue/Water class with valley shore departments to discuss and review ice and water rescue equipment each department currently has and to have Guilford's dive team present to discuss and review their capabilities.

Deputy Chief Budney of Deep River posed the question to Chief Herrschaft of Guilford as to whether their dive team works with the CT State Police's Dive Team. Chief Herrschaft explained their dive team focused on search and rescue while their dive team focused on recovery.

Assistant Chief Fazzino, Jr. of Essex stated Essex uses South District and Guilford for dive teams and water rescue.



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Past Chief Harry Hall of Durham opened discussion as to whether Gregg Prevost still maintains the inventory list.

President Fazzino stated the inventory list has recently been distributed and has received responses from eight to nine departments.

Assistant Chief Fazzino Jr. of Essex announced another benefit event would be held on January 11, 2014 at 6:00 pm for Past Chief Scott Andrews at the Clinton Fire Department. The benefit event will be a concert starting at 6:00 pm till 11:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.00. Raffle tickets will also be sold for \$10.00.

Chief Robert Chadd of Durham announced their new rescue truck was in service. The new rescue truck is a Rosenbauer Spartan five man cab (Metrostar). The truck is equipped with a Hale 1,750 gpm pump, 750 gallon tank, a 30 foot light curtain and Hurst high pressure rescue tools and jacks.

MMS to at 20:05 hours (Herschaft/Jenkins).

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Biasi

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Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, January 27, 2014 in Essex at 7:30pm.