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**Minutes of the June 25, 2012 VSMAI meeting in Westbrook, CT.**

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

**Attendees – June 25, 2012**

Steven Olsen – Essex	Doug Harreys – Essex
Paul Fazzino, Jr. – Essex	Charlie Herrschaft – Guilford
Todd Hajek – Killingworth	Brian Manware – Clinton
Sam Baber – Haddam	Gary Klare – Haddam
Wayne Wysocki – Old Saybrook	James Budney – Deep River
Joe Johnson – Old Saybrook	Mike Jenkins – Westbrook

**Special Presentations:**

NONE.

**Approval of the previous meeting minutes:** MMS (Jenkins/Hajek) to accept the May 21, 2012 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Reading of communications:**

Secretary Biasi read a letter from the Hubbard family thanking the Valley Shore organization for the donation to the Carl Hubbard organization.

**Treasurer’s report:** The Treasurer reported an opening balance of \$2,901.57, with \$5,240.00 (Dues Payment from Old Lyme and Rite Rescue Payments from Clinton, Essex, Guilford, North Madison and Westbrook) of income and \$170.16 bills or payments. Ending balance is \$7,971.41. MMS to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented (Jenkins/Olsen). Motion passed unanimously.

**Bills to be paid:**

Flowers/Arrangement for Lt William Morris	\$170.16
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A motion was made and passed to pay the above bill.

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## **Committee report(s):** **Statewide Disaster:**

President Fazzino explained the Statewide Disaster Committee would like each town to develop one email contact for each specific town. Fire departments such as Deep River, Old Saybrook and Guilford have developed such emails.

## **Regional Preparation/Pre-Planning:**

No Report

## **Radio Frequency/Communications Committee:**

No Report

## **Website:**

No Report

## **Tanker Shuttle SOP:**

Secretary Biasi announced Durham has provided a change to their section of the Tanker Shuttle SOP. The change will be made to the Tanker Strike Team SOP and will be sent out for distribution.

## **Accountability SOP**

No Report

## **Old Business:**

Lt. Paul Fazzino of Essex announced the burn trailer has been delayed in delivery to Essex. The trailer will be delivered on July 30<sup>th</sup>. After Essex, the burn trailer will be going to Clinton on September 4<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Olsen of Essex announced money had been received for upcoming maintenance and servicing for the trailer. The money should cover the maintenance and servicing for the next couple of years.



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President Fazzino explained the Larry Davis course is still available. Deputy Chief James Budney suggested the Larry Davis course as a good training course for firefighters at previous Valley Shore meetings. President Fazzino explained Larry Davis had passed away but the course is still available and is currently being presented by Larry Davis, Jr. and Dominick Colletti. The course is called "Rural Water Supply". Deputy Chief Budney explained he would look further into the course and obtain possible availability. President Fazzino requested the attendees also provide or make recommendations on possible course their departments and personnel may need.

### New Business:

Assistant Chief Doug Harreys inquired with the attendees if any departments have a health and fitness program and, if so, which ones. Chief Hajek of Killingworth explained he department has two personal fitness trainers currently as members and firefighters of the department. No other attendees provided information concerning health and fitness programs.

Past Chief Wayne Wysocki of Old Saybrook opened discussed about departments being aware of the electrical hazards while operating aerial apparatus during thunderstorms. Past Chief Wysocki explained the hazards and the severity of not only personnel located on the aerial apparatus but also personnel standing around the apparatus and in contact with the apparatus. ***Please make all your personnel aware of this serious electrical hazard and it's potential for serious bodily injury and death.***

### Interest to the Organization:

Deputy Chief Budney of Deep River announced Lt. William Morris passed away last Thursday. Deputy Chief Budney announced the services were yesterday today. Deputy Chief Budney wanted to thank all the departments and personnel for their assistance.

Chief Hajek of Killingworth thanked everyone for their assistance at this morning's fire. Chief Hajek also wanted to thank Guilford Fire Department for their hazardous materials assistance a few weeks ago.

President Fazzino inquired about a possible upcoming RIT course in the fall. Chief Herrschaft explained a possible RIT course would be held in the October/November 2012 time period. Once more information is available Chief Herrschaft will pass the information along.



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Secretary Biasi announced North Madison would be hosting a Tanker Shuttle Operations course on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. The course is a Connecticut Fire Academy course being hosted by North Madison. Anyone interested should sign up through the fire academy.

MMS to at 20:15 hours (Manware/Jenkins).

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Biasi  
Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 23, 2012 in Chester at 7:30pm.