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Minutes of the March 26, 2018 VSMAI meeting in Deep River, CT.

President Paul Fazzino called the meeting to order at 19:35 hours with a salute to the flag.

Attendees – March 26, 2018

Brian Manware – Clinton	Rick Swan – State Fire Coordinator
Michael Neff – Clinton	Chris Going – Essex
Jim Schaefer – Chester	Charles Herrschaft – Guilford
Paul Fazzino Jr. – Essex	Bobby Kytte – Madison
James Budney – Deep River	Aron Schumacher – Essex
Ethan Goller – Essex	Sam Baber – Haddam
Steven Budney – Deep River	Jon Lambert – Deep River
Joe Johnson – Old Saybrook	Steve Lesko – Old Saybrook
Steve Biasi – North Madison	Paul Fazzino - Essex

Special Presentations:

None

Approval of the previous meeting minutes:

A MMS (Johnson/Budney) to accept the February 26, 2018 minutes was made. Motion passed unanimously.

Reading of communications:

None

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer reported an opening balance of \$4,271.02, with \$0.00 of income and \$0.00 bills or payments. The ending balance is \$4,271.02. MMS to accept the Treasurer's report as presented (Manware/Schaefer). 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

Chief Brian Manware announced additional changes to the radio frequency spreadsheet have been completed and the spreadsheet has been condensed to three pages. Chief Manware announced the new spreadsheet would be set up slightly different whereby main page will contain the Valley Shore towns and the supplemental pages will contain towns bordering Valley Shore.

Website:

No Report

Tanker Strike Team SOP:

No Report

Tanker Fill Site Setup SOP:

No Report

Accountability SOP



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RIT/Mayday SOG Review

The next RIT meeting is scheduled for March 28th at 7:00 pm in Clinton. President Fazzino announced the RIT project demonstrates what good coordination and participate can accomplish and suggested taking this good effort into other fireground areas. President Fazzino announced it was also great to see the younger people get involved and leading in many areas. Keep up the great work!

Incident Command SOG

No Report

Old Business:

State Fire Coordinator Rick Swan announced opening remain for the Propane Fire School, however, a local propane company must sponsor any participant. The three (3) day course has seat available. If you have any questions or would like more information please contact Rick. The course is held in New Hampshire on May 15th -17th at the NH Fire Academy and in Massachusetts on September 18th – 20th at the MA Fire Academy.

New Business:

Deputy Chief James Budney of Deep River opened discussion regarding two recent motor vehicle incidents involving personal vehicles. Deputy Chief Budney strongly suggested everyone read his or her insurance policies to ensure sufficient coverage. Deputy Chief Budney also announced New Hampshire has a supplemental insurance program for assist emergency responders with covering damages not covered by personal automotive insurance companies.

President Fazzino requested Deputy Chief Budney obtain additional information regarding New Hampshire's program so the Valley Shore organization can

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approach local state legislative representatives to propose and hopefully enact similar covering in Connecticut.

Chief Joe Johnson of Old Saybrook announced a new Connecticut State Law that fire department member with 25 years of service or more in good standing will be able to continue receiving the tax abatements after those members are no longer active.

Captain Jon Lambert of Deep River requested incentive programs from other Valley Shore departments to assist their department with revising their current program.

State Fire Coordinator Rick Swan opened discussion about daytime fire department response personnel. The attendees engaged in an open discussion regarding an "All Hands Call" and a general consensus was Valley Shore should work towards developing a structured Valley Shore Manpower policy.

Interest to the Organization:

Secretary Steve Biasi on behalf of Old Lyme Chief Tom Risom announced "thanks to all the mutual aid companies that came to Old Lyme for water supply and manpower at their Bayberry Ridge house fire. A good stop occurred due to the cooperation from all our neighboring departments. A particular thanks goes to Chief Six and Gregg Prevost who supported our Operations Officer. Good job to all with our heartfelt thanks"

MMS to at 20:30 hours (Johnson/Ahern).

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Biasi

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Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, April 23, 2018 in Essex at 7:30 pm.