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Minutes of the August 24, 2020 VSMAI meeting in North Madison, CT.

Vice President Mike Jenkins called the meeting to order at 19:53 hours with a salute to the flag.

Attendees – August 24, 2020

Charles Herrschaft – Guilford	James Budney – Deep River
Mike Jenkins – Westbrook	Steve Lasko – Old Saybrook
Rick Swan – CT Fire Coordinator	Mike Shove – Guilford
Mark DeCillis – North Madison	Gabe Balsamo – North Madison
Dick Bauer – Killingworth	Steve Biasi

Special Presentations:

None

Approval of the previous meeting minutes:

A MMS (Budney/Bauer) to accept the July 27, 2020 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Reading of communications:

None

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer reported an opening balance of \$3,337.86, with \$400.00 of income and \$0.00 of bills, service charges or payments. The ending balance is \$3,737.86. MMS to accept the Treasurer's report as presented (Bauer/Budney). Motion passed unanimously.

Bills to be paid:

None



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2020 Dues Payments Received:

1. Clinton
2. Essex
3. Deep River
4. Killingworth
5. Westbrook
6. North Madison
7. Chester
8. Guilford
9. Haddam
10. North Madison
11. Old Saybrook
12. Old Lyme

Committee report(s):

State Fire Coordinator's Report:

Fire Coordinator Rick Swan reminded everyone about the email that was recently sent out regarding “water” signs.

All Hands Call Committee:

No Report

Regional Preparation/Pre-Planning:

No Report

Radio Frequency/Communications Committee

No Report

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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

Incident Command SOG

No Report

Field Day

No Report

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Guilford Assistant Chief Mike Shove announced the next NASH meeting is scheduled for September and the invites will be email shortly. Assistance Chief Shove stated he would announce at a future date when the meeting will resume in-person. Assistant Chief Shove announced this year's NASH funding was exhausted, and in 2021, the regional NASH teams are planning for a five region-training event.

Old Business:

No Report

New Business:

No Report

Interest to the Organization:

Killingworth Chief Dick Bauer announced his department's training tower is available for other departments. Please contact Chief Bauer to schedule dates and times to use their fire training tower.

North Madison Deputy Chief Gabe Balsamo announced North Madison is hosting a Fire Officer I course in September.

North Madison Lieutenant Mark Decillis announced North Madison's new tanker would arrive in approximately one month.

Deep River Deputy Chief James Budney thanked Clinton's Assistant Chief Michael Neff for providing Deep River with in-house strut training.

Deep River Deputy Chief James Budney inquired as to whether the informational radio communications and radio channel usage letter was sent to the dispatch centers. Fire Coordinator Rick Swan stated the letters were sent to the dispatch centers last month after the previous Valley Shore meeting. Assistant Chief



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Budney announced the issues/concerns continue to occur where the dispatchers are selecting the fire operating channels.

Fire Coordinator Rick Swan informed everyone about some recent carbon monoxide responses. Fire Coordinator Swan explained back-up generators installed near air conditioning units are causing the carbon monoxide exhaust from the generators to blow into the vented soffits. This results with high carbon monoxide levels in attics and upper levels of structures.

Killingworth Chief Dick Bauer recommended getting town building officials involved. Fire department and building officials are now working with the generator companies and installation contractors (ex. Generac) to move the generators.

MMS to at 20:04 hours (Bauer/Budney).

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Biasi

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Secretary/Treasurer

The next meeting is Valley Shore meeting is Monday, September 28, 2020 in Old Lyme at 7:30 pm.