

# *Council of Virginia Beach Volunteer Rescue Squads, Inc.*

Nov 18, 2020 6:00 pm

Virtual

ATTENDING:

## MINUTES

**ATTENDING:** Tom Reading (R1), David Wheeler MRT, Dave Coulling (R5) Bobby Hill (Foundation), Jen Long(Foundation) Bonita Teaford (R13), Ed Brazle, Jo Robins (R17), Joan Davis(R6), John Neumayer(R14), Kay Laws(R2), Kyle musicant (R16), Michael McCracken (R4), Julie Barnes (R17), Debbie Volsky (R6)

- **Welcome/Introductions** – David Coulling
- **Approval of Minutes** - David Coulling
  - Mike McCracken motions.
- **President's Report** – David Coulling
  - Its been 2 months since our last meeting, pending votes at the end of this one for the updated election schedule we may not see each other again until the January meeting.
- **Treasurer's Report** - Bonita Teaford
  - See attached report for financials
- **Department of EMS Report, Q&A** – Chief Ed Brazle
  - Been bust meeting with squads since the emergency meeting last month. Working on billing research for service. Education classes will continue under new guidelines, new LUCAS devices secured under COVID grants. COVID numbers on the rise, we are aware everyone is fatigued with COVID but keep up the great work. Is aware of new military restrictions and the department will work with those affected.
- **Medical Operations Steering Committee** – New Glide scopes being looked at for units. Fire is upgrading lifepaks for CAPNO. BLS and ALS bag separate? Standardize bags across the system
- **Training Steering Committee** – No report
- **CURED Board Committee** – no report
- **Fleet Committee** – no report
- **Supply Committee** – no report
- **Sustainability Committee** – Ellen not present
- **Coordinator Reports**
- **Rescue Foundation** -
  - **Administrative Report** – Gina Benefiel / Mary-Ellen McLean
    - No real updates, just had meeting updates coming soon
  - **Recruitment Coordinator** – Bobby Hill / Jennifer Long
    - Bobby's last report to us. Has a current marketing burst out via 13 media outlets, YouTube, Spotify, and other social media outlets with target area of Hampton roads. Reaching out via Military newspapers for veterans for squads and MRT. SKY4 video running until November 22 and pushing recruitment for first classes in the new year.
    - Would like to thank everyone he has worked with for the last 11 years as the recruitment specialist. Has loved meeting and working with everyone to promote the system and looks forward to seeing how it grows. Will still be around working with R14.

- my last official day as the contractor recruitment coordinator for the Foundation is December 31st, 2020. Jennifer is transitioning into the position.
- **Bylaws** - under un-finished business
- **Multi-Squad Fund Drive Coordinator** – Jay Kerr
  - Goes out this week
- **Recruitment Coordinator** – Jay Kerr
  - No news
- **Jr. Rescue Squad Liaison** – Jay Kerr
  - Was gearing up to meet until schools reclosed, it has been paused again at this time.
- **EMS Week Coordinator** – Jay Kerr
  - No news as EMS week is still 6 months out, we will begin spooling up in coming months
  
- **Unfinished Business**
- By-laws revision
  - Vote on proposed amendment for elections and terms of officers.
    - Vote passed unanimously passed.
  - Dave Coulling- Please submit your annual reports
  
- **New Business**
- *Motion to cancel December meeting- Bonita, David Wheeler Seconded*
  
- **Medical Trends and Issues – Group Talk**
  
- **Best practices** – Group Discussion
  
- **Station Reports** – Brief Reports from each Squad present
  - **R1/22-** Working on building and grounds for last months, painting apron in front of building, Halloween event went well.
  - **R2-** Halloween event on 31<sup>st</sup> prebagged went well with 28 kids. Looking forward to fund drive
  - **R4-** Overall things going well, focusing on retention for last number of months, passed out frontline warrior challenge coins. Have socially distanced photos with Santa coming up this week, possibly video chats with santa
  - **R5-** Elections last night, no significant change in positions, special events revenue down significantly.
  - **R6- (Watch recording)**
  - **R8/14-** not a lot to report, elections since last meeting John will remain in position as Captain, Norwell is new Asst. Sqd
  - **R9- (Not present)**
  - **R13-** Elections tomorrow night, all is going well
  - **R15/16-** All trucks are up, no changes following recent election from last year. Outdoor version of Safe Haven was well received, over 700 bags of candy in an hour and half. Thank you, Bonita, for assisting.
  - **R17-** First in person meeting tomorrow night, Elections held at meeting.
  - **MRT:**

- **Announcements / Dates to Remember**
- **Adjourn**

**The next Rescue Council Meeting will be held on  
Dec 16, 2020 or Jan 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm virtually or in-person at  
the EMS Office.**