

July 18, 2018

Meeting called to order at 18:21.

ATTENDEES: David Coulling, Demetrius Devore, Tom Reading, Tom Kiernan, Kay Laws, Bobby Hill, Ed Leonard, Nancy Gregory, Kevin Lipscomb, Jim Rose, Tom Green, Jim Neumayer, Gina Benefiel, Travis Smith, Chris Florio.

AGENDA

Welcome/Introductions: Dave Coulling

Approval of Minutes: Dave Coulling

Motion made to approve last meeting minutes, seconded, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Nancy Gregory

On file.

COORDINATOR REPORTS:

VBVRS Foundation, Gina Benefiel

Partners for Life Task Force has had 2 meeting thus far. We have 4 vendors: Rec Chalk, DIA, BCS, and Obrien, et al. We have 6 weeks to develop brand identification. We will have more to share in the next 2 months. VBRS Foundation launched a new website today. There are 3 options; e.g., Advocate, Donate, Volunteer. There is a new effort on Rescue Lines to help internal communication among members. The funding will be provided by Foundation. EMS and Foundation will have better electronic version in the form of a bi-weekly e-mail like VBEMS Communications. May change the form from hard-copy Rescue Lines 4 times a year to electronic version 26 times a year, which will be more cost-efficient. Motion made, seconded, and approved to endorse this new model. Gina and Jen Babiak's link in every edition updating members e-mail addresses monthly so only active members can access it. That will be less cost for 26 electronic editions vice 4 printed editions. First edition should be out by end of August.

CO Monitors -Chief Kevin Lipscomb

Rescue Council is funding. Icons are popping up that say CO Monitor needs calibrating. To calibrate we would need a test bench and calibration supplies. We don't have those; therefore, no manufacturer-recommended calibration. We have 20 more CO Monitors not yet activated. Rescue Council should reassess whether we want to spend more money on this effort. Do we want to continue this program? We may partner with the FD. Have we checked the cost of the equipment to test? We need research. Chris Florio has experience with this testing. Chris – work with Ed to see what we need to do next. Do not distribute the remainder until we know what we need to do regarding testing.

Chief Green in for Chief Brazle

FY ended June 30. Report on past due funds for events = \$32,009. R & R is coming up. We soft bill for equipment, personnel. We received a \$2K donation which was divided into 4 new bikes for the Bike Team, supplies for S&R. Mobile Bike Team should grow as large cities are using these teams. Can SAR and Bike Team be a 501©(3). \$250K to AV system for EMS building, back-up EOC and 911 center. Chief

John Bianco is working on R&R Marathon. Polar Plunge is now a 3-day event. MRT was paid for that. Old CG station in Sandbridge now houses city ATV's. PD has ATV course. More people need to be trained in cart operation. We have a Division Chief opening, plus a Brigade Chief, and probably 2 medic positions in November. We can go internal to hire.

Pulse Point app had rollout on Saturday, July 14. Responder app for EMS personnel is \$5K a year, purchase in October. Let EMS know if you respond for Pulse Point. Oscar alerts only for non-patient care issues now.

We are standing up Training work group. All hands-on training is vetted by EMS. Actual skills student-led not instructor led. We need 4 people for this group. Demetrius Devore is already in the group. Put proctors in field with the students they taught. The idea is to provide consistency. Give Chief Green ideas and he will provide money if he can. Chief Green – take skills from class to field. Proctors do their regular duties, then work with students. We need 2 ALS and 2 BLS for this initiative.

Rumor – Tom Kiernan. Someone wants to redo Kempsville Road, Princess Anne Road and move Station 9 building. Chief Green says can't knock down existing city buildings. There is no CIP for it. We do have a CIP for Burton Station.

Chris Florio – what spaces belong to what squads? Where does EMS have space? We have no lease, etc.

Tom Kiernan-- SAR truck at garage for weeks. Rescue 9 is selling it and has 3 bids on it. We need it back at 9.

Bobby Hill -- doing well. Academy 28 started July 11. A radio blast in August will seek students for November class. It takes 4 weeks to process applicants. Word of mouth on social media is helpful in getting people to join. Share good info on Facebook. Explorer Post will be Junior Rescue Squads of VB. It was a cost issue. BSA costs too much.

MORB – Ed Leonard

Change is indicated, not finalized. More info in the next week or so. Committee is working cohesively.

BLS Academy lunch coordinator – half-way lunch, or meet with students later wherein each squad has 5 minutes to sell their squad and give out a pen, not jackets, etc. Presentations to class on what Rescue Council is. Rescue Council needs to decide what they will do. It's a missed opportunity.

Fleet Committee and Supply Committee have not met.

Bylaws Committee

Demetrius Devore, Davis Wheeler, John Neumeyer, Pete Sadler, Tom Kiernan, Chris Florio: review bylaws and recommend changes.

CPAP Study. No volunteers were included. Dr. Martin says we should have been included. Policies were unseen by us beforehand.

EMS Physician policy - motion: we have reviewed and endorse this. Motion seconded and approved. Issue of separate insurance is that they will adhere to TEMS protocols and we will cover the insurance.

Vice-mayor Jim Wood and Deputy City Manager Steve Cover went to Rescue 14 meeting to talk about someone getting a loan to buy 12 ambulances and provide services and bill for said services. We will not be billing any time soon

Discussion on Facebook page of Ann Kiley Crenshaw.

Travis Smith invited people to a meeting at Rescue 14 Everything we have lost was due to or inability to perform.

Dave met with Gin Benefiel regarding consulting group survey to candidates on how they stand on EMS issues. A 501©(3) entities we cannot endorse candidates as part of squads. August 15 is another Academy graduation at LETA. CO monitors: keep? Consensus is to keep them but to make sure they work. Position points – do squads agree: Yes.

RSAF grant cycle opens August 1.

Status reports

MRT is doing great. They are cycling personnel through EMT classes.

Ocean Park – They are having monthly cookouts and Stop the Bleed classes before the cookouts.

Davis Corner – all good. Planning Stop the Bleed and community CPR classes.

Chesapeake Beach – Everything peachy. Storm 4 – trying to get best price. EMS says put it back in service. Will put it on Chesterfield Insurers tightening usage parameters.

Courthouse – New vehicle is in York County, we don't have the money yet, it takes 30 days to configure. 550 has an extended cab with no bench seat in back. Driving education is needed because it's longer. Andrew Rabideau is coordinating.

Creeds – Everything fine.

Kempsville – Good.

Virginia Beach – Open House at Station 8 on 27 October from 1-4 pm. Public services community event. They're considering ending VAVRS membership.

Plaza – Squad 16 down for maintenance. It may not be back by August 15 when the squad truck program ends. Third party re-seller may be used. May sell to another agency that can use it if our members can travel to participate. It is a bad time to sell.

Dave – Rescue 1 has invited us to attend their August 13 business meeting.

Next Rescue Council meeting is September 19. The President may be on vacation.

Future meetings are November 21 and December 19. These may move due to the holidays.

Meeting adjourned at 20:48.

