

Rutland County Fire Mutual Aid Assoc. Inc.
Minutes of the July 01, 2010 Meeting

The RCFMA July Meeting was held at Rutland City Fire Station and called to order at 7:00 pm by Pres. Schlachter.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters in the fire service.

Sick/Distressed and Deaths: None Reported.

Roll Call:

Officers Present: PRES. Chief Schlachter, VP Chief Tom Fucile, SEC. Chief Norman Flanders, TRES. Mike Skaza, CORD: Chief Tim Kerber

Dept. Members Present: Brandon FD, Chittenden FD, Clarendon FD, Danby-Mt. Tabor FD, Fair Haven FD, Hubbardton FD, Killington FD, Mt. Holly FD, Poultney FD, Rutland City FD, Wallingford FD, West Haven FD, West Rutland FD.

Secretary's Report: The previous month's secretary's report was read. Motioned made to accept & seconded, no changes made, motioned passed.

Treasures Report: The previous month's treasurer's report was read. Motioned made to accept & seconded, no changes, motioned passed.

Mutual Aid Reports:

Fair Haven FD - 1 ½ Story Structure Fire, assist from – Poultney & Hampton FD's.

Clarendon FD - Structure Fire, assist from Shrewsbury & Wallingford FD's.

Gorge/Water Rescues -2, assist from Shrewsbury, Wallingford & RAS.

Mt. Holly FD - Structure Fire, assist from East Wallingford, Shrewsbury & Ludlow FD's.

Poultney FD - Three Structure Fires - no assist noted.

Mutual Aid Assist to Wells FD.

Chittenden FD - Two MVA's and a Camp Fire.

West Haven FD – Two MVA's

Benson FD - Requested to recognize a young man who helped evacuate his family. No further discussion ensued.

Old Business:

House Bill H527 update: No report on committee date or discussion for summer meetings.

Regional Planning Comm. – Phillip Acotte attended the meeting and discussed working on Tier II refer. Manual in digital format. Also stated he's working on updating the area equipment list.

VT Assoc of Training - Richard discussed his working on updating area equipment inventory listing. The list will be proprietary info and will not be shared.

He also discussed that the FD Chief or designee help update the present list to insure accuracy. He said a new excel spread sheet to be established on web site, this also was discussed being on RCFMA web page.

New Business:

Dispatch - System Back Up Test. A test of the dispatch back up system will be conducted on Aug. 15. An officer or designee only needs to answer the page request.

Discussed the upcoming Cadet Academy Program at Pittsford. The program is looking for volunteers, if you can volunteer contact Kristy Oxholm.

Table Top exercise held on May 18th on Chittenden Dam was discussed. Communications issues are a big notification factor in the event the dam should fail. There needs to be a better communication plan adopted to involve community notification to areas that will be effected.

Discussed more utilization of CERT more. CERT can be reached through the VT Emer. Man. Agency. CERT is only covered by insurance if they are activated. It was stated that CERT involvement only makes the use of CERT more aware.

NVFC Report:

Chief Kilpeck reported on NVFC issues and his involvement. He asked that FF wanting to quit smoking check out the NVFC web site for Stop Smoking info.

He also stated that we can use the web site to show the cost savings to a community that volunteer FD's save.

Bob asked the following questions...

How many FD's have 5" hose? He noted that it's reported that only three FD's have 5" hose.

How many FD's have Probationary Periods? He noted that more should and how are they conducted?

VT Fire Training Council Info./Program:

Weekend NFA training classes to be offered from Oct 2010 - Feb 2011. More info to follow.

FF1 online pilot program to be offered starting this next session. Practical's will still have to be completed.

Rutland County FF1/FF2 programs will be at Pittsford Fire Training Center. When application period opens get your applications in early.

Chief Schlachter thanked the Rutland City Fire dept. for hosting this months meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, Passed, meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY AUGUST 17, 2010, AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE DANBY -MT. TABOR FIRE STATION.

