



Minutes - Fluvanna Fire and Rescue Association March 11, 2024

The meeting was Called to Order at 19:28 hours

In attendance: Jeff Potter, Howard Lagomarsino, Josh Brent, Gary Morris, Richie Constantino, Brian Deane, Debbie Smith, Jim True, John Lye

Guests: Peppy Winchel, Ben Powell, Chris Fairchild, Eric Dahl

Motion to approve minutes of 2/14/24: (motion by Richie Constantino, seconded by Gary Morris) approved

Burn building update: Ben Powell: Goochland is supporting the decision of the committee from fire programs to approve Fluvanna to move forward. Its anticipated that this will occur in the next 2 months. It was decided that the process would be building first, then work through the final prompts to get it fabricated. There are specific fabrication steps that have to be completed and signed off regarding the supporting infrastructure, etc. The estimate for the water line extension is \$68,000. The new date for the completion of the project is March 2, 2026 for the grant. Construction must be started by March 3, 2025. It has been changed from a prototype 2 to a prototype 4 in the approval letter.

Unit reports:

Company 2: absent due to travel from truck inspection

Company 3: Went to the Fire Rescue conference to look at engines, planning on going to Harrisburg for the conference up there in May. The UTV has not made it to the upfitter yet due to logistical issues. Squad 3 had issues fixed from Atlantic, so it is back in service.

Lake Rescue: 552 is in Roanoke for repair. 553 had a crew go down for a punch list inspection, Atlantic wants to truck it to FDIC as an exhibitor. 555 got hit by something while at Malloy for service. Malloy has accepted responsibility after reviewing footage from their security cameras. Car5 should go in-service soon, hopefully before the end of March. They hope to staff it with ALS personnel to supplement ALS1. There was a discussion of what to do with "face sheets" with regards to billing. Howard and Debbie were sorting out the details. They agreed to uploading as suggested by Howard.

Palmyra: Tanker 10 is in Charlottesville. They are going up Friday to look over it again. Equipment has been ordered, they are hopeful to have it by the end of the month.

Lake Fire: The Boots and Brent Seminar was a success. They had 100 attendees but are looking to expand reach to get awareness for the series further away. Chief also requested additional 1403 instructors for the burn class. He discussed the cause of a brush fire at a solar farm, where rodent damage occurred on a wire, which shorted the wire and therefore caught the insulation and PVC conduit on fire which spread to the vegetation.

Water Rescue: had 17 people for the most recent training. Chief Lye had to buy more licenses for Active911 due to new members but requested us to stay on top of members to make sure that we aren't paying for folks who are no longer members.

Dispatch: Brian Deane said that the laptops will be ready for Col and Lake Rescue tomorrow.

FCDEMS: Jim True - 45 is currently on the road out of Co 2. 47 is getting stocked up. They are looking at APX4500 radios due to the backorder of the dual head radios. Jim also talked about the BLS drug bags as the requirements are that they need to be locked up securely. They are still working on the pharmacy stuff with LMVRS. They are looking at an April launch. Jim discussed the terminology of "ambulance" instead of "rescue" for marking up, and some confusion with fire dispatch terminology. He also discussed the unit number changes to 1-3 for vehicle 3 running out of station 1. Jim discussed developing policy guidelines for use of a Helicopter. He also requested the fire departments provide a list of

potential LZ locations that are pre-approved. They are looking at holding an EMT class starting in August. They are looking at Tuesday-Thursday schedule.

John Lye is looking at a VAVRS EVOC-2 course in April. It will be held on April 17, 18 and 20. The classroom sessions will be held in the training room at Company 2, and the driving range will be at Company 5.

Emergency Management Coordinator: Debbie Smith - The County Library would like to do a Fire/EMS day. The dates are all Fridays July 12, 19, 26 or dates in August 2, or 9. State is going to do an exercise May 6 & 7 (Monday/Tuesday) for a table top for Emergency Management. Williams pipeline has reached out about an exercise over the summer. We have to go to Nemsis Version 3.5 for all run reports. Debbie will do the data upload to the state for NFIRS.

TJEMS: The EMS Councils are looking at creating a large pharmacy cooperative bidding contract to spread across organizations to effectuate lower cost structures. We are OK to go buy pharmacy supplies wherever we currently do, but they are trying to get volume discounts where possible. BLS bags have to stay on the trucks and cannot be in the station, only on the truck. If the board of pharmacy finds loose bags in the station, you could be fined for not having a CSRC permit. Fitch has met with TJEMS to do an analysis of the VaOEMS situation. Todd Sheridan is a lead analyst for this effort. March of 2025 there will be an EMS expo at PVCC during their spring break.

Adjourned: Motion by Jim True, seconded by Richie Constantino, 20:55 hours