



# Edisto Beach Volunteer Fire Dept

## Meeting Minutes

### 01/26/23

EBVFD Secretary Bess Kellett

Pictures of Firemen and Volunteers were taken at Point St to use for our donation letters at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting started at 5:30.

Chief passed out the tax certification forms. He will get the checks to us next week.

MASA-Rich and Chief are trying to set us up to pay annually instead of monthly like it is now, but MASA must be having trouble with their accounting. You can go to MASA website by scanning QR code.

Chief asked about all officers continuing. Motion made to leave all officers in place; 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed unanimously.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- We are in need of another bed/mattress/ and 2 lockers for a volunteer and a 3<sup>rd</sup> fireman on duty. Cost is \$1050. Ken Dasen made motion to buy all, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and approved unanimously.
- The vending machine area is complete, except for a sign. Town has a particular sign style to use, and they approved the name "the Watering Hole". \$500 is the approximate cost. It was discussed to put a plaque up recognizing the Volunteer Fire Dept. Motion by Scott Epps to add the sign like the town wants and to recognize the Volunteer Fire Dept. for renovation of the building. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cameron Andrews, approved unanimously. Kate Hall added that we should write a thank you note to Builders First Source for donating the materials for the building.
- New ID and accountability cards-Doug Keefe is now taking the pictures and making the cards. All volunteers need to get 3 new ones made with our ID number on them. One to keep in our wallet, one in our vehicle and one to show the Incident Commander (accountability) at a scene. Please make an appointment to get your new card.
- Community Risk Reduction Programs (ISO Points):  
Everyone can participate in these programs such as Scott's 1<sup>st</sup> Aid/CPR class; trainings, etc. All programs are tracked and monitored and these count towards points for our ISO rating. This is how our fire insurance is calculated and they must be documented. The more we do, the less our insurance cost. Let Rich know of any programs we want to do. The Chief added we would get an ISO inspection in the next few months. He would love for volunteers to stay overnight and log in
- The Chief stated he is due for a new vehicle but would rather drive the squad car and use the monies to buy a much needed "tank of water" for the station.
- The Chief also said Town Hall is about to break ground for a new building next door. The current Town Hall will be the new Police Station

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Donation letter: it is written, and the pictures taken today are awesome and he will use one for the letter. He will have them printed and folded and will need volunteers to help stuff them. Should be ready in about 2 weeks.
- The trailer is ready for service. Doug Keefe has volunteered to head up the monthly inspection and Rich would like to have more than one inspection each month.
- Bess is working on a design/artwork for the Special Ops/Response/Disaster Trailer

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Scott Epps has finished the First Aid/CPR training and his first class is February 10. An email account will be set up for businesses/churches to sign up to take the class. He would also like help with the class if anyone is interested.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Tommy Sandel reported statement amount in December to current date. The account is in good shape.

#### CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Updates on projects and purchases; the exhaust fan is paid in full but still on backorder; new table is here and Chief is going to buy 8 chairs at Costco-4 with arms and 4 without.
- MetLife Dental-everyone should be enrolled; it's too good of a deal

Rich made one last comment concerning dress when going on fire calls or wrecks-Wear long pants and closed-toed shoes (preferably navy Dickies and duty boots); not shorts, crocs or flip flops.

Lots of discussion on showing up to calls as is and the difficulty in changing to pants; Jeff Sira suggested everyone have a one-piece jump suit to easily slip on and go and just keep in your vehicle.

#### TRAINING BY KEN SALLENGER: Fire extinguisher training and live fire simulator

- Ken showed a power point on fire extinguishers; their uses in different fire situations; Classes; materials; what's inside of them; what scenarios they are used for. He touched on electric cars and solar panels, P.A.S.S. and membered to point it North/ South not East/West. We then went outside for a live fire simulator and everyone had a chance to use an ABC extinguisher using the P.A.S.S.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bess Kellett