



# Edisto Beach Volunteer Fire Dept Meeting Minutes 03/30/23

EBVFD Secretary Bess Kellett

## **18 members were in attendance; pizza provided by Sandbar Pizza**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Police Chief Daniel Seyles updated us on the Operation Boat Rescue Team, and the cost of a Reymarine AIS system/GPS/camera for our current boat we use for water rescues. The navigational equipment is outdated, and it needs replacing. The cost for the system and camera is approximately \$24,000. It is very high-tech equipment. He would like to see the EBVFD, firemen and police take the US Coast Guard NABLA training classes so we can respond to water rescues. We would be linked to the Charleston Metro Marine Unit and the Coast Guard in Colleton and Charleston counties in these search and rescues for the Town of Edisto Beach. After much discussion, Marion Whaley made a motion to buy both the AIS system/FLIR camera/GPS system for the boat. Second by Kate Hall, approved.

EBVFD Facebook page:

Rich Barreto asked if we were interested in creating a Facebook page. It would highlight special events, news, information, etc. Rubin Carter suggested it be an information page only, blocking all comments. Doug Keefe volunteered to admin it and get it up and running.

Asset tags: Rich Barreto said we will put asset tags on all our equipment and belongings for traceability.

Red Bag Check: Make sure you check your bags for gloves/safety goggles/masks/flashlights/batteries/hats, etc. If you need to replace anything, contact Rich or Chief Conley

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Contact Doug Keefe for your new ID and Accountability Cards

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Donation letters are about ½ done as far as stuffing and mailing.

The trailer is ready for service. Bess has created artwork, but we need a professional. It was suggested that we contact Neil Kurtz (a St. Paul's fireman) who has a sign business on Edisto to help with the design/graphics and material of the lettering. He can advise us also of the most durable material for the signage-wrap/paint/vinyl

### **FINANCIAL:**

Tommy Sandel reported that our bank account is healthy.

He also suggested that we use Ink Farms, the screen printer in Walterboro, to print our shirts as they are cheaper and better quality than the Cotton Exchange that we are currently using.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chief Conley was absent from the meeting, and we did not discuss his report.

### **TRAINING:**

Ken Salenger presented a 34-slide presentation on Bloodborne Pathogens. Very informative.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

Bess Kellett