Edisto Beach Volunteer Fire Department Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: 11-30-2018

Agenda Item	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions	Responsible Party & Deadline
Welcome to guests			Done
Blessing for Meal			By the Chief
Chief Opening comments:	Chief reported Death of a firefighter in our area. He asks for our prayers	Chief asks we pray for Katie Dabes and her family. Katie was a 23yo mother of 2 young children (who remain hospitalized).	Closed
Target Solutions	Ken Dasen is the resource for Target Solutions and any issues. If you have missing completed certificates Target Solutions can retrieve them.	Contact Ken if you have problems or questions	Closed
	Scott willing to assist/work with anyone needing assistance.	Plan is to schedule some training sessions for individuals having difficulties. Plan tentatively for the first one to be held Jan 26 & another in Feb	Open
October Minutes	None		Vendor Presentation, no business meeting
Unfinished Business	Standard operating guidelines reviewed	We need to make a plan for orientation & integration. Plan to be developed. Supported no dissents.	Open
	New member recruitment-mentorship Removal for nonparticipation and	Discussion: Support for removal of nonparticipating members. Supported	Open
		with no dissents. Plan to be developed.	Closed
	Christmas Party Dec 14 at the Civic center. Costs of food, services, beverages and tip for caterer approved	Dec 14 @ 6PM Civic Center. Cost for dinner and gratuity @15% approved, including beverages	Closed

New Business	By-Laws reviewed by Scott	Approved	Closed
Training	Membership reminded that it is required that members complete training modules from Target Solutions	Reminder: NIMS 100,200 700,800 recently assigned. Scott plans to schedule a session to assist individuals to complete assigned courses. Get with Scott if interested.	Closed
Financial Report (Volunteer account)	Plan is to move \$50,000 to designated account to help fund Fire Dept station upgrades. Volunteer funds information is available for membership review.	Approved	Closed
	Note* Volunteers are compensated for calls they respond to. Issue raised that EBFD responding team from fire station is often able to clear the scene before responding volunteers can arrive. Main problem	Be sure to check in with the Incident Commander and record your service in the log books to ensure reimbursement and credit for your response.	Closed
	is volunteers generally at home or elsewhere on the beach.	*Note: FYI Town Council has the authority to fund this benefit (or not).	Closed
Removal for non-participation Call response, service, Meetings	Chief expressed his concern with the number of volunteers on the roster who do not attend meetings, participate in staffing events, help with fund raising, etc. Possibly consider removal for nonparticipation.	Members are compensated annually for calls attended. Also the annual tax deferral is a benefit of the member. There are a number of members on the roll that are not participating. Do we keep nonparticipants on our rolls?	Open
Annual Tax Credit	Annual Tax benefit for volunteers. Send The chief a note if you BELIEVE you have contributed at a level to receive this benefit. If you have any questions, please talk with the chief.	***Notify the Chief if you believe you believe you have earned this benefit. Consider non participating members removal from membership role?	Open Open

Scene Response	It is critical that volunteers responding to calls includes reporting to the Incident commander on the scene. Record in the log book	It is critical that volunteers responding to calls includes reporting to the Incident commander on the scene. Record in the log book	Closed
	Discussion raised by attending membership: At the scene: If you arrive on a call scene, and the fire staff have already departed.	Solution come to the fire station to log in your call. Report to the station within 30 min or if no access to station; immediately text the chief. Record in the log book.	Closed
Closing remarks-Chief	Review of basic duties & responsibilities of members. If station is inaccessible, please immediately text Chief, or come to the fire station to log in your call. Report to the station within 30 minutes.	Volunteers encouraged to participate in support activities. Many members do not contribute to staffing special events.	Closed
	Reminder: many training options available through the academy	Department will provide equipment required to attend	Closed
NIMS Jan 26, 2019	Scott will assist with a NIMS work day to help members catch up on assignments.	Contact the Chief or Scott	Open
Next Meeting January 2019			

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is based on available funds. Please get with the Chief if you believe you have earned this annual benefit.	Members present supported his concerns. Consideration of actions to be taken pending.	Open
Discussion raised by attending membership: At the scene: If you arrive on a call scene, and the fire staff have already departed, Please immediately text Chief, or come to the fire station to log in your call. Report to the station within 30 min to the station or text the chief.	Please contact the Chief and let him know if you should have this benefit.	Open

	Solicitation efforts were quite fruitful this year. Chain of command at a scene is extremely important. Report to the incident Command Officer upon arrival to a call scene	Review of chain of command. At the scene process reviewed. Please check in with the incident commander as soon as you arrive on the scene.	Closed
	Volunteer of the year vote	Ballot distributed and collected. Outcome to be announced at the annual dinner. Issue raised that EBFD responding team from fire station is often able to clear the scene before responding volunteers can arrive. Main problem is volunteers generally at home or elsewhere on the beach. Agreed that the responding unit from the EBFD remain at the scene for a min of 15 minutes; this should allow responders coming from off the immediate beach area time to arrive and be noted as actively responding. To be announced at the annual dinner.	Closed
By Laws	Volunteer Opportunities	Scott is initiating an effort to, in advance schedule volunteers to staff and planning events and other activities. This is to include responsibility to secure meals for the meetings. A consideration is no meal prior to the	Open

		meeting. This option will be trialed at the upcoming January meeting. (2019)	
Other	Revised version is available	Some revisions suggested. To be distributed when available	Open
	Next meeting date is: January 25, 2019!!!		