



Minutes

OCONEE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD ADVISORY COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Thursday, June 22, 2023

MEMBERS

Kelly McCormick, Tammy Wilbanks,
Brady Land, Steven Zahn, Eric Sprogis,
Mike Carroll, Scott Krein

The Oconee County Rescue Squad Advisory Commission met at 6:00 PM in the conference room, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla. Kelly McCormick, Brady Land, Steven Zahn, and Mike Carroll were present.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [www.oconeesc.com]. In addition, it was made available [upon request] to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

1. **Call to order** – Chairman Kelly McCormick called the meeting to order at 1800 hours.
2. **Approval of Minutes** - Commissioner Land made a motion to approve the minutes from April 27, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Zahn and approved 4-0.
3. **Public Comment** – none
4. **Commission Member Comments** – none
5. **Commissioner McCormick's Report** –issued a thank you to other rescue squads for helping out on various recent calls; will email a copy of US Fire Administration document on recruitment and retention.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - **Radio Communications Committee Report**
Still waiting for FCC to offer some frequencies that can be used
 - **Incentive Committee Report**
No change to recently distributed criteria
 - **SOG Committee Report** –
A lot of progress made and hope to have first edition ready soon
 - **Training Committee Report**
VFIS class has been added
7. **Mike Carroll's Report**
 - Call and No Response call report – Reviewed document for each squad's calls; some squads are gaining members
 - VFIS class – Fifteen people completed the first class; a second class will be held August 15th-31st; chief or member can email Brady Norris to sign up
 - EMT/EMR CEP classes – June 27 and June 28, look for Active911 message
 - ROLL Training – OCES can now get free Narcan through the state. 80% of people on the roster as *active* members *must* have training for ROLL program. After training,

there is a mandatory online test. This training will show up on your fire academy transcript on the fire portal.

- Rescue Squad Emergency Driver Requirements – 1) Quarterly refreshers, 2) Individual training record for each driver, 3) Check ten year driving history
- Initial EMR class – Daytime class begins July 17th during Recruit School and a nighttime class begins August 8th

8. Rescue Squad Updates

- Region 1 – Squads 1 & 3 (Kelly McCormick)
 - 1) Rescue 1 – Held driver training at meeting; cleaned up roster; nothing else new
 - 2) Rescue 3 – Still trying to get started with online Action Training program
- Region 2 – Squads 2 & 6 (Tammy Wilbanks) - absent
 - 1) Rescue 2 – Nothing to report
 - 2) Rescue 6 – Nothing to report
- Region 3 – Squads 4 & 5 (Brady Land)
 - 1) Rescue 4 – Waiting for two new members to get training
 - 2) Rescue 5 – No response from Chief Smith
- Region 4 – Squad 22 Erik Sprogis) – Recently had five new members to become CPR instructors and recently gained five new EMRs who are now responding to calls
- Region 5 - Rescue 7 & 8 (Steve Zahn)
 - a) Waiting for things to get busy
 - b) Recently had a drowning recovery
 - c) Lots of members, still little response to calls

9. Executive Session – not needed

10. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Commissioner Zahn, seconded by Commissioner Land, and approved 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 1817 hours.