



Minutes

OCONEE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD ADVISORY COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Thursday, July 26, 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 Zahn made a motion to approve the minutes from June, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Land and approved 5-0.
3. **Public Comment** – none
4. **Commission Member Comments** – none
5. **Commissioner McCormick's Report** – Distributed a copy of the ordinance and reminded us that we need to be compliant with the ordinance with 1) duties, 2) solutions to correct problems, 3) at-large seats and 4) working group membership. He provided a letter to be given to the Rescue Chiefs to get representatives for at-large seats.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - **Radio Communications Committee Report**
Will not be using tower at Stamp Creek and Nimmons Bridge Rd and tower at Newry Mill is operational
 - **Incentive Committee Report**
No change to recently distributed criteria
 - **SOG Committee Report** –
A lot of progress made and have first edition ready for review soon
 - **Training Committee Report**
No new information to report
7. **Mike Carroll's Report**
 - **ROLL Training** – Several members have already been trained or training is already scheduled. 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.

- VFIS class – One class has been completed and another class will begin August 15th at Westminster.
- Initial EMR class – Daytime class begins August 8th and an EMR refresher class begins in October
- Online courses - Make sure everyone is getting NIMS 100, 200, 700, 800
- Call and No Response call report – Reviewed document for each squad's calls; some squads are gaining members
- ERS – Make sure responders are getting reports completed; don't use abbreviations in your report; there are more and more requests for reports due to litigation

8. Director Scott Krein's Report

- Improper Access - make sure members are not accessing calls they weren't on
- Budget – Hopes after new budget is released, we can move forward with a new reporting system
- Rapid Entry Dive – This has been a huge success for quick response. There are standard procedures and parameters. Every squad or department that houses the quick rig sets need to be trained on how to maintain the sets and be a tender.

9. 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 – Have received the information for getting into the Action Training program; a truck radio was replaced
- Region 2 – Squads 2 & 6 (Tammy Wilbanks)
 - 1) Rescue 2 – Four people in the upcoming initial EMR class; one member just completed EMT class, passed the skills portion and takes the written test Aug. 17th; just had nine EMRs complete refresher class and fourteen complete ROLL training.
 - 2) Rescue 6 – New truck is still waiting for lights; no other concerns voiced
- Region 3 – Squads 4 & 5 (Brady Land)
 - 1) Rescue 4 – Pushing their responders to get reports done in 24 hours; wiring concerns on Tahoe; asked if an individual commission member could contact the county attorney – Director Krein will check on this
 - 2) Rescue 5 – No response from Chief Smith
- Region 4 – Squad 22 Erik Sprogis) – Moral is improving; will be attending a meet and greet; vehicle needs service
- Region 5 - Rescue 7 & 8 (Steve Zahn)

No issues to report

10. Executive Session – not needed

11. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Commissioner Sprogis, seconded by Commissioner Zahn, and approved 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 1857 hours.