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A G E N D A

OCONEE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD ADVISORY COMMISSION

October 22, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices
415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes

- September 24, 2020

Rescue Squad Updates

- Region 1 – Squads 1 & 3 / Mary Beth Honea
- Region 2 – Squads 2 & 6 / Tammy Wilbanks
- Region 3 – Squads 4 & 5 / Michael Smith
- Region 4 – Squad 22 / Erik Sprogis
- Region 5 – Squads 7 & 8 / Steven Zahn

Commission Chairman Steven Zahn’s Report

1. Committee reports for Training Committee & Radio Communications Committee.

Chief Scott Krein’s Report

1. EMR/EMT standardization to Upstate/NREMT curriculum.
2. Standardized equipment list for RS/FD units used on medical response.
3. Requirements for EMTs to take part in IST program. At least 50% attendance at sessions yearly.

Adjourn

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Locations

Rescue 1: Seneca; Rescue 2: Salem; Rescue 3: Oakway; Rescue 4: Walhalla; Rescue 5: Westminster; Rescue 6: Mountain Rest; Rescue 7: Dive Team; Rescue 8: Special Rescue Team; Rescue 22: Keowee



MINUTES
OCONEE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD ADVISORY
COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Thursday, September 24,
2020

MEMBERS, RESCUE SQUAD ADVISORY COMMISSION

Mary Beth Honea, Tammy Wilbanks, Steven
Zahn, Michael Smith, and Erik Sprogis

The Oconee County Rescue Squad Advisory Commission met at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, Steven Zahn, Tammy Wilbanks, Eric Sprogis, Mary Beth Honea, Emergency Services Director Scott Krein, and Adam Chapman, County Planning Director 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.

Call to Order

Commissioner Zahn called the meeting to order at 18:00.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Sprogis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilbanks, approved 4 – 0 to approve the August 24, 2020 meeting minutes as presented.

December 17, 2020 – This meeting date conflicts with another on that date in Council Chambers. A motion was made by Commissioner Sprogis to cancel the December meeting and seconded by Commissioner Honea. Approved 4/0.

Rescue Squad Updates

Region 1 – Squads 1 & 3 / Mary Beth Honea - Commissioner Honea mentioned that all is well with Squads 1 and 3.

Region 2 – Squads 2 & 6 / Tammy Wilbanks – Rescue 2 had increased calls. The Board is working on SOG's that coincide with the County's SOG's. No update from Rescue 6.

Region 3 – Squads 4 & 5 / Michael Smith – Not present but Commissioner Zahn gave an update. Rescue 5 is losing members but more are signing on. Rescue 4 is making progress Mr. Tatum will turn in data sheets to have ID's tags made.

Region 4 – Squad 22 / Erik Sprogis – Membership is steady at the moment. New vehicle purchase has been shelved for the time being. Keowee Ebenezer is in Squad 22 region so they will be able to help them out.

Region 5 – Squads 7 & 8 / Steven Zahn – Things have slowed down and using the time to get the new truck ready and pick up on training.

Commission Chair Report – Commissioner Zahn

A motion was made by Commissioner Honea to form a committee to look into training requirements, seconded by Commissioner Sprogis and approved 4/0.

Commissioner Sprogis made a motion to have Commissioner Wilbanks head the committee, Commissioner Honea seconded and approved 4/0.

- Discuss requirements for Rescue Squads & Fire Departments to respond to medical calls. Chief Krein mentioned that the fire department is running medical calls and is not a rescue squad. We do need to people to be trained to run medical calls.
- Communications with Dispatch understanding fire & rescue units is inconsistent. If dispatch could repeat what was said that would be helpful.
- Fire Channel 1 was keyed-up most of the night (9/17-9/18/2020). Chief Krein is looking into this issue.

Locations

Chief Scott Krein's Report –

- Responder Physicals – If you had a physical from North Greenville please stop by the office during business hours and get the packet to take to your doctor. Id's will be tied to physicals in the future. If anyone has not had a physical or failed a physical they should not be running calls.
- Responder ID's – We are using the new Id's. This year a spirometer test was added to the physical because of Covid-19.
- Responder Ride time – We are working with the hospital to have ride time with the ambulance so the members are more familiar with the procedure. Responders must be dressed appropriate for this program.
- Rescue Squad "Affiliation" status – Please get you quarterly reports in in a timely manner. Rosters need to be cleaned up.
- Cardiac Arrest response -- nearest FD & Squad 21 – We are working on the box system so we can send the closest squad and apparatus.
- Discussion on Incentive Physicals and Valid CPR Only – We are only requiring a physical and a valid CPR because of Covid-19.
- Epi and Narcan Training update – We are starting the training for these. If you would like to purchase these items, it will come out of each squad's money as there is no budget for it.
- OCES funding policy – Chief Krein handed out the funding policy. This policy is for transparency, we are spending county money.

Adjourn Commissioner Smith made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sprogis, approved 4– 0 to adjourn at 18:46.

Locations