



Minutes

OCONEE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD ADVISORY COMMISSION

Regular Meeting May 23, 2024

MEMBERS

Kelly McCormick, Tammy Wilbanks, Brady Land,
Steven Zahn, Phyllis Raver, Mike Carroll (At-Large),
Dean Jackman (At-Large), 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, Tammy Wilbanks, Brady Land (via phone), Steven Zahn, Scott Krein, 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** – Vice Chair McCormick called the meeting to order at 1800 hours.
2. **Motion to Amend Agenda** – A motion was made by Commissioner Zahn to add a discussion concerning accountability to the agenda under item number 4 (under #5 in these minutes due to the addition of the motion). Motion was seconded by Commissioner McCormick and approved 4-0.
3. **Approval of Minutes** – Commissioner Zahn made a motion to approve the minutes from March 28, 2024. Commissioner McCormick seconded the motion. Motion was approved 4-0.
4. **Public Comment** – none
5. **Commission Member Comments** – Commissioner Zahn shared information about accountability boards and ID cards; more information forthcoming.
6. **Commissioner Land's Report** – Reminder of request for OCES personnel and their radio call numbers
7. **Committee Reports**
 - Radio Communications Committee Report – Working on towers, equipment, schematics, connectivity
 - Incentive Committee Report – Informed of Accountability/Command class which personnel need to qualify for incentive money; regional meetings will be held or squads can host
 - SOG Committee Report – Motion to adopt SOG document was made by Commissioner McCormick, seconded by Commissioner Zahn, approved 4-0.
 - Training Committee Report – Continuing to discuss survey results and plan accordingly; decided on bi-monthly meetings
8. **Mike Carroll's Report**

- New Vehicle update – R4 and R5 vehicles waiting on lights and center consoles; still trying to locate truck for Rescue 2
- Training Update – Reminder of several classes coming up; refer to OCES training calendar
- Rescue Squad Response Updates – Went over the response form; some squads still struggling to make calls each month; R3/R5/R22 getting new members
- Reporting System – Still working to get kinks out and tailored to only the components we need

9. Director Scott Krein’s Report –

- Accountability Component is to ensure 100% safety for responders, as well as to be federally compliant; Lt. Hunnicutt will be sending out regional training dates for the class

10. Rescue Squad Updates

- A. Region 1 – Squads 1 & 3 (Kelly McCormick)
 1. Rescue 1 – Doing well; one truck back in service, one truck being repaired; Boat1 used on two calls
 2. Rescue 3 – Responding to more calls; picture fundraiser
- B. Region 2 – Squads 2 & 6 (Tammy Wilbanks)
 - 1) Rescue 2 – Two new members and one applicant; everything going well
 - 2) Rescue 6 – Gator and Suburban running again; event had a decent turnout; no new members
- C. Region 3 – Squads 4 & 5 (Brady Land)
 - 1) Rescue 4 – Nothing to report
 - 2) Rescue 5 – Getting new members
- D. Region 4 – Squad 22 (Phyllis Raver) – absent; Mike Carroll reported 4 new EMRs for total of 13
- E. Region 5 - Squads 7 & 8 (Steve Zahn)
 - 1) Rescue 7 – Busy season has begun; mutual aid call in Pickens and a carryout from Chau Ram; still not good response from members
 - 2) Rescue 8 – Busy season has begun; still not good response from members
- F. At-Large – Chiefs Liaison (Dean Jackman) – introduced himself and excited about being a part of the RSAC; comes with a lot of experience

11. Executive Session – Not needed

- 12. Adjourn** - Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Commissioner Land, seconded by Commissioner McCormick, and approved 4-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1835 hours.