



Minutes

OCONEE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD ADVISORY COMMISSION

Regular Meeting June 27, 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, Steven Zahn, Scott Krein, and Dean Jackman 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 Land called the meeting to order at 1800 hours.
2. **Approval of Minutes** – Commissioner Land made a motion to approve the minutes from May 23, 2024. Commissioner McCormick seconded the motion. Commissioner At-Large Jackman asked that his name be added to the members in attendance for that meeting. Motion was approved 5-0.
3. **Public Comment** – None
4. **Commission Member Comments** – None
5. **Commissioner Land's Report** – Made a motion to add personnel issue for Executive Session in item #10 on the agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner McCormick and approved 5-0.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - Radio Communications Committee Report – 1) Good progress being made, 2) trying to finalize templates; 3) upcoming test with Kenwood radios by Station 21, 4) other concerns being addressed
 - Incentive Committee Report – Will not meet until September
 - SOG Committee Report – Motion made by Commissioner McCormick to edit a typo on p.15 to read six (6) per year instead of seven. Motion seconded by Commissioner Land and approved
 - Training Committee Report – 1) Next meeting will be in July, 2) Upstate EMS will no longer be doing EMR and we are currently looking at other options
7. **Mike Carroll's Report** - Absent
8. **Director Scott Krein's Report** –
 - Radio Communications Update – 1) Much progress being made, 2) Kenwood radios will be tested, 3) a group will come in to see where our system needs to go in the future, possibly P25
 - New Vehicle update – 1) R4 and R5 vehicles still waiting to be upfitted, 2) still looking for truck for Salem Rescue, 3) took possession of Mass Casualty trailer which was gotten through a grant

- Training Update – 1) Upstate EMS has decided to stop doing EMR, 2) checking with ASHI about becoming a training center, 3) ASHI is a two-year recertification and CPR can be done through them as well, 4) make sure everyone is getting training hours through CEPs or Action Training
- Rescue Squad Response Updates – Went over the response form

9. Rescue Squad Updates

- A. Region 1 – Squads 1 & 3 (Kelly McCormick)
 - 1. Rescue 1 – County Tahoe will be back in service soon and another vehicle will need motor repair
 - 2. Rescue 3 – Nothing to update
- B. Region 2 – Squads 2 & 6 (Tammy Wilbanks)
 - 1) Rescue 2 – Staying busy covering calls; everything going well
 - 2) Rescue 6 – Nothing to update
- C. Region 3 – Squads 4 & 5 (Brady Land)
 - 1) Rescue 4 – Gained new members; revamping social media; eagerly awaiting new truck
 - 2) Rescue 5 – Nothing to update
- D. Region 4 – Squad 22 (Phyllis Raver) – Four new members who are shadowing other members; question about the Command/Accountability training; they are choosing not to carry epi-pens
- E. Region 5 - Squads 7 & 8 (Steve Zahn)
 - 1) Rescue 7 – New equipment in place (\$6,000 scanner to help locate person); surprisingly not been busy
 - 2) Rescue 8 – Busy season has begun; response from members seems to be getting better
- F. At-Large – Chief’s Liaison (Dean Jackman) – nothing to report

10. Executive Session

- Motion by Commissioner Land to enter Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner McCormick, approved 5-0
- Motion by Commissioner Land to exit Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Wilbanks, approved 5-0
- No action taken on item discussed in Executive Session.

- 11. Adjourn** - Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Commissioner Wilbanks, seconded by Commissioner Land, and approved 5-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1859 hours.