

**Minutes**  
**MCVRS Membership Meeting**  
**February 3, 2021**

The meeting came to order at 1934.

In Attendance: Jeff Plumb, Larry Bahl, Madge Rollins, Garfield Parker, Greg Hanson, Carol Yerby, Charles Howard, Rebekah Haynie, Jaime Packett, Jeanne Widenmyer, Valerie Barton  
Remotely Attending: Debbie Evans, Melvin Cockrell, Erica Reynolds, Ashley Cockrell, Jim Webber  
Guest: Nina Bhat  
Excused: Julian Watson

President Valerie Barton began the meeting requesting that Garfield start with a prayer to honor Vic Robbins. With Madge's approval, we will place a stone in the garden in his name. Rebekah and Garfield volunteered to get this done.

A card was passed around for Joe Schlatter to let him know that we are thinking of him and his family as they go through a difficult time.

Nina Bhat was introduced. She works for the federal government and moved permanently to the Northern Neck last year. She noticed signs that Mid-County needed volunteers. She was concerned because she knew that the population is older. Her sister is a doctor and her brother-in-law was an EMT, so she believes she is aware of what's going on. She was asked to step out for discussion and vote. All of her paperwork is in and Jim gave the go-ahead. The vote was unanimous in approval.

Welcome Nina!

There's a CPR class later this month. She'll need to have CPR certification before she can begin running as a third.

Treasurer's report: *(Provided upon request)*

Captain's report: Jeff is out for at least another four weeks from his shoulder surgery. Debbie is out until we hear otherwise. There are three new coronavirus strains that have appeared in the US. Remember that the AIC must be the first one to reach the patient while wearing their respirator or an N95; AICs can always change to a surgical mask if warranted.

Jeff wants us to secure the ambulance when we are out of it. He related a story of an ambulance being stolen while the crew was inside. It was found because it had a tracking device. Charles will do a training on 2/18 at 1900 for ambulance equipment, how to unlock the ambulance from the outside, and he will do something with driving as well. Larry will conduct an overview of the Incident Command System (ICS). Jeff reminded drivers that when we go to a multi-agency call to be certain that the ambulance has a clear exit.

Jeff related recent radio traffic that was a blow-by-blow of officer contact. He emphasized that brevity on the radio is important. If there's something that needs to be conveyed that is sensitive, use your phone to call dispatch.

1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant's report: Larry wants drivers to remember that the Tappahannock hospital is now VCU Tappahannock, not Riverside.

Vice President's report: Garfield reminded us that the case count is rising for COVID.

Vehicle Officer's report: Charles advised that the ground is soft. He went on a call today and drove on the yard, leaving the wheel print on their yard. Do your best to stay on pavement. When we have our training, he'll show how to put our vehicles in 4-wheel drive, and how to return to regular 2-wheel drive afterward.

Building/Grounds Officer's report: Jaime told us that Garfield has agreed to act as our Squad Chaplain. Garfield thanked Jaime for fixing the door.

Designated Infection Control Officer: Jim agreed with Garfield's assertion that the coronavirus cases are going up. We've almost reached 600 for the county. We must use our infection precautions. Regarding the inspection, he wants everyone to make copies of their vaccination records and drop them in the call desk slot. The CPR certificate records are being looked at with Madge's assistance. He wants to make sure that the EMT and EVOG certificates are current. He will contact you by email if your documents need to be updated.

Secretary's report: No report.

Member-At-Large's report: Absent.

President's report: Valerie congratulated everyone running calls on the January 100% response. She's distributed IDs to everyone.

New Business: Madge thanks us for the support we've provided.

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Jaime, seconded by Jeff. Meeting adjourned at 2003.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Evans, Secretary.