

Minutes
MCVRS Membership Meeting
May 5, 2021

The meeting came to order at 1932.

In Attendance: Sue Fones, Howard Fones, Debbie Evans, Shane Farmer, Madge Rollins, Larry Bahl, Jeff Plumb, Valerie Barton, Garfield Parker, Rebekah Haynie, Charlie Howard, Greg Hanson, Julian Watson, Jim Webber, Jaime Packett, Nina Bhat, Brandi Boland, Robert Hundley, Jeanne Widenmyer, Mary Steed Ewell

Excused: Erica Reynolds, Jeff Newsome

Treasurer's report: (*Provided upon request*) Jeanne indicated that with the County payments for two quarters coming in the same month, April was a "great month". We are currently \$35,000.00 under budget.

Captain's report: Jeff advised that the April training would be a "MacGuyver" training along with a "Seek and Destroy" – a type of scavenger hunt. He thanked everyone for coming to the weekend Skills Check-Off training; the outcome was good, and he thinks that everyone had a good time. Coincidentally, just 72 hours after being instructed on Narcan delivery, Debbie used Narcan on a patient. As always, if you have any ideas for training, please let Larry or Jeff know.

Station security has become an issue. There was a discussion regarding the different approaches we can take to resecure our building. Relying on the cameras is one option; however, at present, the cameras only retain information for 10 days. Jaime indicated that we could increase our storage capability. Larry said our weakest point is the supply room. We decided that the best course of action is to change the front door and supply room to be a members-only single code and change the kitchen to a new code to give out to guests.

Later, Charles will be going over the proper way to unload and restow the stretcher. Reminder: anytime the patient compartment is occupied, it should be wiped down and mopped out.

Jim and Jeff will be meeting on Friday to make suggested changes to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). The main focus for change is to reflect the equipment we currently have – units 42 and 44, rather than 48 and 46, for example. The reference to a squad cell phone will be removed, as this equipment no longer exists. One new SOP will be added – that there will be no firearms on the ambulances except for on-duty law enforcement. There is also a current SOP stating that courses presented by MCVRS will be at no charge. This is being amended to state that any expenses can be charged to the class attendees. Anyone charging more than for expenses must not represent MCVRS by being in uniform.

Jeff also thanked everyone for coming out when the tornado hit. We had more crew than units to go out, and full crews remained at the building in case relief was needed. It was great to see.

1st Lieutenant's report: Larry requested that everyone pitch in on May 22 (and May 23 if needed) from 1000 to 1400 to do our supplies inventory and expiration check. This gives us enough time to reorder any supplies and get ready for the inspection in July. He thinks this is a good opportunity for all new people to become very familiar with our supplies and their location in the units. Anything that expires before August comes out of the supply room and off of the units.

We'll soon have foam splints to use for extremity immobilization. This type of splint is fast and easy to apply and the patient finds them comfortable. They are reuseable.

Vice President's report: Garfield asked Rebekah to update us on the stone markers for the memorial garden. She indicated that the Currie Funeral Home will handle the markers for us. She is researching the old member number for two of the markers. There is no update for the update of the plaques for past-presidents, past-captains, life members, etc.

Vehicle Officer's report: Charles showed the vehicle binder that is located in each unit and alerted the membership that the pouch containing the gas card, insurance information, and registration for 42 is missing. If anyone knows where it is, please let Charles know. In the meantime, Jeanne will seek out duplicates before the inspection, as this would cause us to fail.

Charles also relayed thanks to Howard, Garfield, Jeff and himself for performing a community service relocation of a 103 year old woman. He let us all know that the woman, who hadn't been sleeping well, slept for 12 hours straight after being relocated to the hospital bed.

Each squad now has a cell phone mount near the driver and a ToughBook mount in the patient compartment. The ToughBook slides in and out if you need to move it.

There's a new tire on 42, so the ride shouldn't be as rough anymore.

Building & Grounds report: Jaime let us know that the man contracted to take care of the gutter, roof, and mold remediation had a family emergency which he believes has now resolved. Therefore, he believes that the work should be completed shortly. Timbering to take place in the next few weeks.

Secretary's report: Debbie indicated that AmazonSmile is now set up to pay MCVRS a small portion of qualified sales when the purchaser chooses us as their charity. Now, you can set up Smile on the app, if you purchase from Amazon on your smart phone.

Member-At-Large's report: No report.

Designated Infection Control Officer's report: Jim has sent out the call report for April and the active member roster as of May 1st. If you see any errors, please let him know. He's glad to hear that people are updating their certifications. He reminded us to be sure to give him a hardcopy for our files.

President's report: Valerie commended our squad for only missing five (5) calls in nine (9) months. For six (6) out of nine (9) months, we've had a 100% response rate.

She let everyone know that Shane and Brandi will be taking their National Registry exams this month. [Secretary note: Brandi passed hers. Shane has yet to take his.]

She advised that for *every* use of an ambulance, a report must be entered into the computer system (now ImageTrend, soon ESO.)

Mark your calendars for our squad Christmas party at Indian Creek Country Club on December 11, 2021.

Valerie invited everyone to look at the website (<http://midcounty.mcvrs.com>) as Debbie has been working on it. Some people need to have a new picture taken. See her after the meeting.

She reported that the drug box cabinet on 42 doesn't always lock properly. It has to be pushed in so the metal lock drops in the right location.

Valerie also thanked Debbie for the article in the paper. Rebekah brought in several unsold copies, if anyone would like to have one.

Erica Reynolds is on medical leave for the foreseeable future.

New Business: Mary Steed is interested in a follow-up to the donated AED article by indicating where in the county AEDs are located. She wondered if we should publish a list as a community service. Jeff indicated that we'd need permission to include the private businesses, but the public buildings could be included.

Valerie thanked the crew that performed stand-by service for the COVID vaccination activity and the Farmer's Market. She asked for volunteers for this month's Farmer's Market as well.

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Jeff, seconded by Rebekah. Meeting adjourned at 2019.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Evans, Secretary.