

EVMS Annual Meeting Kansas City, MO Meeting Minutes 16 August 2023

Participants:

EVMS Board Members Present:

Chief Scott Souders, Chair Chief Jason Shivers, Vice Chair Chief Kevin McCaw, Board Member, Missouri Valley Division Representative David Dock, Board Member at Large Chief Ed Rice, Board Member, Eastern Division Representative Chief Ashanti Gray, Western Division

EVMS Board Members Not Present:

Chief John McDonald, Secretary/Treasurer Chief Eric Pelletier, Board Member, New England Division Representative Chief Philip Thorburn, Board Member, Canadian Division Representative Chief Harold McDonald, Board Member, Southwestern Division Representative

IAFC Guests/Staff:

Chief James Wamsley, IAFC Board of Directors Mr. Kevin McGee, IAFC Liaison Mr. Ken LaSala, IAFC Government Relations and Policy Director

Call to Order

Chief Shivers chaired the meeting, Chief Souders attended by virtual connection. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present. The meeting came to order at 1406 hrs CT.

Chief Shivers welcomed all in attendance and recognized Chief Wamsley, IAFC Board of Directors.

Dock/McCaw

Treasurers Report

No Treasurer's report provided. A financial report was provided to the Board by Chief John McDonald via email.

Chair Report

Chief Jason Shivers, Vice Chair

Chief Shivers informed the membership that the proposed by-laws revisions were approved by membership in the 2023 election.

Chief Shivers would like to have the By-Laws Committee consider adding a position on the Board of Directors for Immediate Past President to further assure continuity of leadership for the section.

Chief Shivers stated that Chief Gray will pursue section social media opportunities.

Chief Shivers informed the membership that the pre-conference Electric Emergency Vehicles session provided excellent information but was lightly attended. The session was recorded and will be accessible to members as a two part webinar recording for further distribution.

Vice Chair Report

Chief Scott Shivers, Vice Chair

Chief Shivers recognized Chief Ed Rice as the incoming vice chair and looks forward to working with him.

Nominations Committee Report

Chief Ed Rice, Chair

There was a tie vote from the membership for the Southeastern Division representative to the Board. The tie was broken by the Board who voted for Chief Jason Shivers. The 2023 election results were made official by the IAFC Elections Committee.

Chief Shivers ascends to the chair position for the 2023-2025 term of office. Chief Ed Rice was elected as Vice Chair. Chief John McDonald elected as Secretary/Treasurer.

2023-2024 EVMS Work Plan

Chief Jason Shivers, Vice Chair

Chief Shivers provided a section work plan briefing to the membership.

Work plan suggestions priorities are as follows;

- 1. Perform and record 2023 FRI Electric Emergency Vehicle Pre-conference.
- 2. Place Electric Emergency Vehicle recorded session access on EVMS website.
- 3. Inform and prepare membership on the impending diesel motor design changes.
- 4. a. With IAFC Government Relations staff, address supply chain crisis with White House and Department of Commerce. b. With IAFC Government Relations staff, influence and support legislation to exempt fire and EMS vehicles from EPA emissions requirements.
- Review and modify where necessary EVMS web site for member messaging and resource material.

IAFC Legislative Report

Ken LaSala

Ken LaSala discussed emissions requirements under consideration by the EPA, HR 5756, National Security Exemptions for Public Safety Vehicles.

Mr. LaSala sought input from the Board and members on the NHTSA Auto Braking in Heavy Vehicles regulations in the IAFC's effort to provide comment to the policy development process. Based on the input, Mr. LaSala will draft a letter for the Board to review before submitting to NHTSA.

Mr. LaSala discussed the on-going discussion with the White House on supply chain issues and welcomes input from the EVMS.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

Chief McCaw proposed that EVMS seek a position on the IAFC FRI Education Committee to have emergency vehicle and equipment educational sessions included during FRI. He stated that he recommends that the membership be surveyed for topics and presenters for the FRI 2024.

Chief Gray will contact the IAFC Communications and Marketing staff to have the full Board listed with their picture on the EVMS web site. She will also take steps to further outreach to membership in a way that points them back to EVMS web site content.

Good of the Order

Nothing further for the good of the order.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

McCaw/Dock

The telecon ended at 1451 hrs CT.

Minutes submitted by:

Mr. Kevin McGee

EVMS Staff Liaison

Chief Scott Souders

EVMS, Chair