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EVMS Annual Meeting Minutes Orange County Convention Center Orlando, FL 14 August 2025 1530 hrs. ET

Participants:

EVMS Board Members Present:

Chief Jason Shivers, Chair
Chief Ed Rice, Vice Chair
Chief Kevin McCaw, Director, Missouri Valley Representative
Chief Kevin Hardwick, Director at Large
Chief Ashanti Gray, Director, Western Division Representative

EVMS Board Members Not Present:

Chief Eric Pelletier, Secretary
Chief John McDonald, Treasurer
Chief Harold McDonald, Director, Southwestern Division Representative
Chief Philip Thorburn, Director, Canadian Division Representative
Chief Scott Souders, Director, Great Lakes Division

IAFC Guests/Staff:

Chief James Wamsley, IAFC Board Advocate to EVMS
Mr. Scott Beecher, FAMA
Mr. Steven Alanzo, IAFC Policy and Government Relations
Mr. Kevin McGee, IAFC Liaison
Mr. John Olson, FirstNet Authority

Call to Order

Chief Shivers chaired the meeting. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present. The meeting came to order at 1330 hours ET.

Chief Shivers welcomed all in attendance.

Chair Report

Chief Jason Shivers, Chair

Chief Shivers updated the membership on the Large Emergency Vehicle Supply and Demand white paper project, the preparation that is underway between IAFC government relations staff, US Senate staff and himself for a Senate subcommittee hearing on the emergency vehicle supply and demand issue in which Chief Shivers will present testimony.

Chief Shivers encouraged all to attend the EVMS sponsored FRI presentation on the topic of the Large Emergency Vehicle Supply and Demand topic.

Chief Shivers also addressed the partnership with Emergency Vehicle Technician certification program.

Vice Chair Report

Chief Ed Rice, Vice Chair

Chief Rice discussed what is known about the EPA emissions regulations role back from the Administration. Chief Rice shared that the Cummins X15 engine is released for production and that the ramp up by the manufacturer is too far progressed to change back to the previous emission standards.

Treasurer Report

Chief John McDonald

No Treasurer's Report

Election Committee Report

Chief Kevin McCaw

Chief McCaw reported that the 2025 election was made official by the IAFC Elections Committee. Apparatus Manager Richard Riley was elected as Eastern Division Director, Deputy Chief Eric Pelletier is New England Division Director by acclamation, Deputy Chief Philip Thorburn is Canadian Division Director by acclamation.

Chief McCaw informed the membership that the 2025 revision to the bylaws was approved by the membership through the 2025 ballot.

Administration of the Oath of Office

Chief James Wamsley

Apparatus Manager Richard Riley took the Oath of Office administered by Chief James Wamsley.

Special Recognition of Vice Chair

Chief Jason Shivers

Chief Ed Rice (ret.) was presented a special recognition by Chief Jason Shivers for his tenure on the EVMS Board as the Eastern Division Representative and for his term as the EVMS Vice Chair. Chief Rice pledged to stay active as a member of EVMS.

Legislative Update

Mr. Steven Alanzo

Mr. Alanzo presented a legislative update.

FirstNet Authority

Mr. John Olson

Mr. Olson provided an update on the progress the FirstNet Authority is making and the role it is playing to serve public safety officials.

New Business

2025-2026 Board Officer Selection

MOTION: 14 August 2025-01

Motion made and seconded to appoint Chief Jason Shivers to the Chair position. Motion carried.

McCaw/Rice

MOTION: 22 January 2025-02

Motion made and seconded to appoint Chief Eric Pellitier to the Vice Chair position. Motion carried.

McCaw/Rice

MOTION: 22 January 2025-03

Motion made and seconded to appoint Chief Ashanti Gray to the Secretary position. Motion carried.

McCaw/Rice

Chief James Wamsley administered the Oath of Office to Chief Jason Shivers and Chief Ashanti Gray for their 2025-2026 Board Officer positions.

Good of the Order

Nothing brought forward.

Staff Liaison

Kevin McGee

No Report.

Good of the Order

Motion for adjournment approved.

The meeting ended at 1525 hrs ET

Minutes submitted by:

Chief Jason Shivers

EVMS Chair

Chief Eric Pelletier

EVMS Secretary