

WESTERN NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2012
VETERANS BUILDING, ELM STREET
MOUNT MORRIS, NEW YORK

President Gerald Gehrig Called the Meeting to Order at 2:02 pm and pointed out the exits. He then led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chaplain Alan Way offered the Invocation.

President Gehrig welcomed everyone to the final meeting at Mount Morris.

A Motion to accept the Minutes of the previous session was made by David Wolf, Seconded by Douglas Wright, Carried.

Report by Secretary Tim Tyrrell: All Convention business has been taken care of. Dues and new member information has been entered. There were about 225 delegates and members registered for the convention. Assistant Secretary Dan Evans has updated the amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws. This information has been sent to Jewel Mack for placement on the website. We are working on the Twenty Year Life Member certificates and cards. The 2012-13 Directory and post cards are being prepared for the printer. Let me know your needs for envelopes and labels before the November 11th workshop.

Secretary Tyrrell and Assistant Secretary Evans represented WNYVFA at the 104th Convention of the Southwestern Association of Volunteer Firemen at the Village of Cattaraugus on August 2, 2012. We attended the morning business meeting, the Past President's and State Officer's luncheon and the firefighter competition in the afternoon. And, we had the opportunity to talk to many fellow volunteer firefighters. Their 105th Convention will be held in Westfield, NY with President Stephen Pacanowski.

Report by Assistant Secretary Dan Evans: The Secretary's Office was making some procedural changes to better serve the organization, officers, trustees, committees, delegates, members and organization members to make sure that the meeting Minutes are complete, concise and accurate. Officers, trustees and committee chairs are directed to submit their written reports to the Assistant Secretary prior to the start of meetings.

Report of Treasurer Tom McLaughlin: Submitted his report to close out the fiscal year ending August 31, 2012. Savings-\$4,866.62; Checking-\$2,492.39; Scholarship-\$3,002.63; Total-\$10,361.64.

At 2:12 pm, President Gerald Gehrig turned the gavel over to incoming President Anthony J. DeMarco who assumed the Chair.

Communications: Secretary Tyrrell listed the following : Letter from FASNY; Northern Central's annual Banquet on October 20, 2012 at Waterloo.

First Vice President Wendi Walker assumed the Chair

Trustees Report: Chairman Ken Fuller reported that six trustees were present. That the trustees had audited the Treasurer's Books and Bowling Committees and found everything in order. They are awaiting receipt of the Queen's Pageant and Steering committee books to be audited.

Bowling Committee: Chairman Tom McLaughlin reported that the 2013 tournament would be held on February 16th & 17th and 23rd & 24th at Bowl-O-Roll Lanes, 1560 Jefferson Road, Rochester, NY 14623.

Budget & Program Book Committee: Budget Chairman Robert Walker presented the 2012-13 Budget of proposed income and expenditures. Anticipated income from all sources-\$33,436 and Anticipated expenses for all sources-\$33,436.
Program Book Chairman Ed Dysard reported that the 2012 program book solicitation has ended. We should have made \$15,000.00, but only \$10,617.25 was received before the Solicitor ceased operations. Our loss from the book was \$7,662.75. The 2012 program book income profit was \$2,954.50. He further reported that a contract was pending approval with a new, established Solicitor.

By-Laws Committee: Ronald Chipman had No Report.

Convention Committee: No Report.

Local Convention Committee: Chairman Bill D'Angelo expressed his committees appreciation for everyone who came to Mount Morris for the 113th annual convention. Was pleased to give support to incoming President Anthony DeMarco. He also noted that the Bridge on Main street, entering Mount Morris from the North is now done! The testimonial for now Past President Gerald Gehrig would be held on Saturday, September 15th at the Genesee River Hotel on Main street at 6:00 p.m.

EMS Committee: Wendi Walker had No Report.

Explorer/Junior Firefighter Committee: Forrest Skelton had No Report.

Fireman of the Year Committee: Chairwoman Barbara Barber had No Report.

Fire Officers Committee: Chairman Harold Wollaber reported that 40 people attended the seminar on the Firemen's Home and 32 people attended the seminar on the Salt Mines during the Convention.

Fire Police Committee: Chairwoman Jeni Corser had No Report.

Fire Prevention Committee: Alan Way had No Report.

History Committee: Chairman Frank Wilczak had No Report, but will continue to accept any items of historical significance.

Investment & Finance Committee: Chairman Tom McLaughlin reported:

Scholarship account	\$ 3,002.63
Savings account	\$ 4,866.62
Past President's account	\$ 312.07
FASNY Credit Union CD's (7)	\$ 86,869.99
Checking account	\$ 2,492.39
Total	\$ 97,543.70

Legislative Committee: David Sweet noted that the Legislative Clearing House meeting had been held at 12:00 noon today and had distributed the score card on "Issues of United Concern." Noted that the Utility Rate Reduction bill, that had passed both the Senate and Assembly, was vetoed by the Governor. He also listed the WNYVFA 2012-13 Legislative proposals, there are 20. Updated information is available at: www.fasny.com Pete Casey reported that the FASNY Fall Legislative session would be held in Albany on November 3rd & 4th. And, that it is very important for members to communicate with your Senator's and Assembly members to help overturn Governor veto's.

Memorial Scholarship Committee: Dan Evans had No Report.

Second Vice President Harold Wollaber assumed the Chair

Nominations Committee: Chairman Forrest Skelton had No Report.

Nozzle Practice Committee: Chairman Doug Wright presented the results from the Convention competitions held on Friday, July 27, 2012. 12 fire departments were represented with 13 teams.

Hydrant Hook-up: 1st-Alden Station 2; 2nd-Alden Zoo Crew; 3rd-North Java; 4th-Sheldon
Water Ball: 1st- Alden Zoo Crew; 2nd- Alden Station 2; 3rd-Silver Springs; 4th-Mount
Morris. Overall Winner of the Hotchkiss Trophy was Alden Station 2.

Junior Teams: Hydrant Hook-up: 1st-Frontier; 2nd-Warsaw; 3rd-Sparta;
Water Ball: 1st-Frontier; 2nd-Sparta; 3rd Warsaw.

Parade Committee: Chairman Jack Hurlburt presented the parade results from the Convention:

Best Firemen's Color Guard: 1st-Dansville FD; 2nd-North Java FD.

Best Firemen's Band: 1st-Rushford FD.

Best Continental Pipe Band: 1st-Peter Glanville

Best Appearing Firemen's Marching Units (8-15): 1st- Dansville FD.

Best Junior Firefighting/Explorer Unit: 1st-Warsaw FD

Best Ladies Auxiliary Unit: 1st-Warsaw FD; 2nd-Rush FD.

Best Appearing Fire Apparatus: 1-5 Years-Avon FD; 6-Years and older-East Avon FD; Motorized Antique-Stafford FD; Non-Motorized Antique-Nunda FD; Furthest Distance-St. Johnsburg FD; Daniel J. Miller Memorial Trophy for Best Overall-Rushford FD.

Past President's Committee: Outgoing Chairman Primo Biscaro reported six past president's present today.

President's Participation Award: Chairman Wayne Stanley reported that points were earned for 19 meetings, seminars and events. Three events were canceled. There were 100 participating companies and department. 14 of these earned 100 points or better.

Alden Hook & Ladder Co.	North Java Fire Company
Brighton Vol. Fire Co.	Perry Fire Department
Caledonia Fire Dept.	Rapids Vol. Fire Company
Cambria Vol. Fire Company	Sanborn Vol. Fire Company
Churchville Vol. Fire Dept.	St. Johnsburg Vol. Fire Company
Dansville Fire Dept.	Warsaw Fire Department
Mount Morris Fire Dept.	West Brighton Vol. Fire Dept.

The trophy and plaque will be presented on September 15th at the Testimonial for outgoing President Jerry Gehrig. The Committee is still looking for representatives for those Counties still not represented on the committee.

Public Relations: Alan Way had No Report.

Queen's Pageant Committee: Tony DeMarco had No Report.

Resolutions Committee: No Report.

Topics Committee: No Report.

2% Tax Committee: Chairman Carl Veltri had No Report.

Website Committee: Chairman Tim Tyrrell reported that information on Convention Minutes, Constitution & By-Law updates and Testimonial dinner are being placed on the website: www.wnyvfa.org

Northern Central Liaison: David Sweet reported their next meeting will be at Wolcott, September 16th at 1:00 pm. Their annual banquet will be on October 20th at Waterloo and that their new 2nd Vice President, William Nichols was present today.

Southwestern Liaison: Pete Casey reported that their next meeting is September 16th.

Steering Committee: Chairman William Nichols thanked everyone who assisted at the recent FASNY Convention in Liverpool, NY and that all nominees were duly elected.

The contested office of 2nd Vice President was won by Kenneth Pienkowski.

President Anthony DeMarco resumed the Chair

Motion by Ken Fuller, Seconded by Forrest Skelton to accept Committee reports.
Carried.

Firemen's Home: Trustee David Wolf reported that the Home now has 73 members and two pending applications. They are redoing the rules and regulations and updating guidelines. He thanked all for their support and thanked recently retired Trustee Norm Eberle for his 10 years of service as Home Trustee.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Motion by Edward Dysard, Seconded by William Busch to approve the contract with the new program book solicitor. Carried.

Motion by Robert Walker, Seconded by David Wolf to adopt the 2012-13 WNYVFA Budget. Carried.

FASNY Report: Director David Sweet addressed the issue of appointments to fill unexpired terms. The FASNY By-Laws committee is giving this matter further review. Mentioned the program to "Train the Recruiting Class." Encouraged fire companies to open their doors for Fire Prevention Week. Mentioned Essay, Poster & Video contest information was available on the FASNY website: www.fasny.com And, that the deadline for tuition reimbursement was approaching.

Good of the Organization: Alan Way reported that a Vigil, from 8:00 am to 7:30 pm, will be held at the Brockport 9-11 Memorial on Tuesday September 11, 2012.

Guest List was read by 2nd Vice President Harold Wollaber.

Assistant Sgt-at-Arms Thad Gilbride reported that 43 had signed in.

Excused List was read by Secretary Tim Tyrrell.

A Moment of Silence Was Held In Memory Of
AL TAYLOR

A member of WNYVFA Bowling Committee

And

Mount Morris Convention Committee

Golf Tournament & Fire Police

Benediction was offered by Chaplain Alan Way.

Motion by Leon Randall, Seconded by Forrest Skelton to Adjourn at 3:08 pm. Carried.

The next meeting will be held on:

Sunday, November 11, 2012
2:00 pm
J. W. Jones Hall
354 Leicester St. (Rt. 36)
Caledonia, NY 14423

Respectfully submitted

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Assistant Secretary

Timothy Tyrrell
Secretary

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