

Western New York Volunteer Firemen's Association, Inc.



Minutes of the September 11, 2011 Regular meeting meeting

Acting Sgt At Arms Ken Curry pointed out exits

President Jerry Gehrig called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM

Gerald Gehrig
President
12 Hopkins St.
Mt. Morris NY 14510

Acting Sgt. At Arms Ken Curry led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Tony DeMarco
First Vice President
191 North St.
Caldonia NY 14423

Asst.Chaplin Bob Carncross led in the invocation
Motion to accept the minutes of was made by Norm Eberle
2nd by Jack Hurlbert carried

Wendi Walker
Second Vice President
2754 Stenzel St.
No Tonawanda NY 14120

President Jerry Gehrig welcomed every one.
Bill Kershner, Chairman of bylaws committee states we do not have a quorum for this meeting due to low attendance. After a brief Discussion President Jerry Gehrig stated this meeting will be for information only but some business has to be taken care of like bills,budget etc.

Timothy Tyrrell
Secretary
2306 River Rd. .
Niagara Falls NY 14304

Report of Recording Secretary Timothy Tyrrell He thanked ever one For electing him as secretary. I'm currently working on updating life membership list and getting prices on program book and post card mailing.

Chris Curry
Assistant Secretary
PO Box 63,
Silver Lake NY 14549

Motion to accept was made by Leon Randall 2nd by Bob Carncross carried

Thomas Mclaughlin
Treasurer
17 Orchard St.
Perry NY 14530

Report of Treasurer Tom Mclaughlin read balances in accounts Savings Acct. \$4,345.31 Checking \$1,724.78 after vouchers were paid Scholarship Acct. \$ 4,985.31 total balance as of 8-31-11 is 11,055.40 Books were audited and ok motion to accept carried

Jack Hurlbert
Assistant Treasurer
44 Hawthorn St.
Perry NY 14530

Committee Reports

Primo Biscaro
Jr Past President
3989 Miller Rd.
Warsaw NY 14569

Trustee Report: by Ken Fuller 4 present audited 2 committee books and are ok

Bowling Committee:Marc Kasprzak no report

Budget & Program Book: Bob Walker will stay on as budget committee and Ed Dysard will be on program book

Bylaws Committee: Bill Kershner reported there were 4 new amendments approved at convention. I turned them into the secretary and be posted on website I have 1 new proposed Bylaw change.

Convention Committee Judy Comfort I believe that everything went well there were a few snags and everything went smoothly. See you in Mt. Morris next year.

EMS Committee: Reported by Wendi Walker no report

Explorer/Junior Firefighter Committee: Report by Ken Fuller no report

Fireman of the Year Committee: Reported by Ken Fuller there are 39 nominees in all categories. We had to disqualify some due to no picture with letter. I am stepping down and Barb Barbera is taking over as chairman

Fire Officers Committee: Reported by Tony DeMarco We had a few seminars at convention And looking forward to meeting with local committee next year.

Fire Police Committee: Reported by Jenni Corser This years fire policeman of the year went to Lori and Christopher Naczynski and winners of drill competition were 1st Richard Reese 2nd Charles Curry 3rd Paul Crabtree 4th Ron Platt. We had a total of 6 entrants.

Fire Prevention Committee by Dave Schmidt essays have been sent out and Shirley is doing a great job, she wants to see more participants in counties.

Historical Committee: Reported by Frank Wilzack no report

Investment & Finance Committee: Reported by Tom Mclaughlin account balances Past Presidents 292.97 Scholarship \$4,985.31 Savings \$4,3454.31 checking \$1,724.79 FASNY Credit union \$86,060.15 total balance \$97,407.62

Legislative Committee: Reported by Dave Sweet before meeting we had a legislative caucus. On November 4th will be a legislative Caucus in Albany at the Holiday Inn .He reported on the agenda and score card.

Three officers for 2012 were sworn in Wendi Walker as 2nd vice president by Jack Hurlbert Chris Curry as Asst. Secretary by Dave Wolf and Leon Randall as Trustee from Orleans County

Wendi Walker took over meeting

Memorial Scholarship Committee: Report by Dan Evans We gave out 6 scholarships this year, we changed the amount given out to 1,800.00 from 1,500.00 And WNY Auxiliary member kids also qualify for these scholarships.

Nominations Committee: Report by Tony DeMarco no report

Nozzle Practice Committee: Report by Doug Wright practice took place on Friday, we had about 200 spectators, 19 fire companys were represented with 20 teams Alden Station 2 took first place in hydrant hook up and water ball, they were the winner of the Hotchkiss Trophy. There were 3 junior teams Rapids Shawnee and Frontier winning respectfully and a 100.00 Anomous donation to the jr. teams.

Parade Committee: Report by Jack Hurlbert The parade was very small with approximately 230 in the parade. We had ladies aux unit and 23 fire departments in parade. Strykersville was the overall winner and westerns payout was \$555.00.

Past Presidents Committee: Report given by Primo Biscaro We had our dinner at the Bryarcliff and had 14 present and 9 absent. They elected me (Primo) president, Dave Wolf secretary and Jack Hurlbert sergeant at arms. We donated \$250.00 to fireman's home

President's Participation Award: by Wayne Stanley thanks to everyone that helped me. There were 95 departments participated. Winner was Dansville with 302 points. I'm looking for some help and there are some counties with no reps on this committee.

Public Relations Committee: Report by Stanley MacWilliams I took over 450 pictures, attended most events and sent my report to FASNY magazine.

Queen's Pageant Committee: Report by Sarah Eddy last night we crowned the new queen Marissa Rymer, 16 of Mt. Morris and Princess Sara Latona, 16 of Mt. Morris

Resolutions Committee: Report by Michael Delemere no report

Topics Committee no report

2 % Tax Committee: no report

Web Site Committee by Tim Tyrrell hoping to get new bylaws to Jewel and on web site

Northern Central by Dave Sweet September 16th is next meeting

Southern Central by Robert Carncross Had a very big parade at our convention in Lakeshore with 62 departments, the new president is Larry Shorzack.

steering Committee bill Nichols no report

President Jerry Gehrig took over meeting

Motion to accept reports of committees was made by Bill Kershner 2nd by Doug Wright carried

FASNY Firemans home Norm Eberle home is in good condition, lots of water around home but no damage to the home. We are down 25% on our budget, We have a new administrator Again. I can get a person in the home in 30 to 40 days as we have only 1 person from WNY in the home.

FASNY report by David Sweet convention went well with a little bit of excitement. We have a new vp James Burns. We had a bylaw change and also if you want a copy of the minute from FASNY you must call and request them.

New Business Motion to accept the budget as rendered by Dave Schmidt 2nd by Primo Biscaro carried Motion to accept the investment and finance report by Dave Wolf 2nd by Ken Curry carried, Bob Walker needs a letter of resolution to put myself, Ed Dysard, Tom McLaughlin and Jack Hurlbert on the account, motion by Leon Randall 2nd by Bill Kershner carried, Wendi Walker talked about ordering officer badges and pat presidents pins motion to purchase by Dave Wolf 2nd by Tony DeMarco carried Asst. secretary asked any one giving reports to use mike and give him a written report.

Good of the Organization any body know how Leo Grenier is? his new address is

Leo Grenier c/o Charlotte Bundy 305 East Main St. Hazelhurst Pa. 16733

Ken Curry reported 42 present

Wendi Walker read excused list

Tony DeMarco read past presidents and guests in attendance

Benediction was give by Asst Chaplin Bob Carncross

Motion to adjourn by Jerry Gehrig 2nd by all

Meeting adjourned at 3:35pm

Respectively submitted by

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

SECRETARY

Chris Curry

Timothy Tyrrell