

WESTERN NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

LEGISLATIVE CLEARING HOUSE MINUTES

CAMBRIA FIRE COMPANY HALL

4631 CAMBRIA-WILSON ROAD

LOCKPORT, NEW YORK

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

Robin Schott called the Legislative Clearing House to order at 1305hr.

Robin went over the FASNY Scorecard:

Those that passed both Houses and waiting to be sent to the Governor for approval or veto by December 31, 2018 are:

Cancer Amendments, School Inspection, PFAS Ban in Firefighter Foam, Chief Standards, LOSAP Defined Contribution Increase.

A motion was made by Tony Demarco III, seconded by Primo Bascaro that if the Governor vetoes any of the passed bills the bill(s) be resubmitted. Motion carried.

Bills that passed one House:

EMS Billing, VFBL Increase, VFBL Prompt Payment of Death Claims, Boot Bill, VFBL Heart Permanent Authorization, VFBL Lung Permanent Authorization.

Motion was made by Harold Wollaber Jr., seconded by Edward Dysard that the above bills be submitted to the State Caucus by Western. Motion Carried.

The following bills are opposed by FASNY.

Blue Lights, 2% Tax Legislation, Gun Raffle.

Issues with significant progress for next year:

Upholstered Furniture, Illegal Modification, Educational Pathways – Volunteer Recruitment.

A Bill has been proposed to increase EMS Recertification from every Three Years to every Five Years.

The FASNY Legislative Conference will be November 1 – 3, 2019 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Troy, New York.

Session was adjourned at 1330hr.

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms Doug Wright pointed out the exits.

Past President Christopher Pettit called the meeting to order at 1400hr and turned the meeting over to President Michael Kislack.

Asst. Sergeant-at Arms Doug Wright the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Chaplain Alan Way offered the Invocation.

President Michael Kislack welcomed everyone.

President Kislack asked all Officers who were not able to attend the Installation Dinner to come forward to be installed.

A motion by Alan Way, seconded by Harold Wollaber Jr. to accept the minutes of the previous session. Motion Carried.

Report of the Recording Secretary – No Report.

Report of the Financial Secretary – Penni Dysard

Reported that the total dues collected for the year as of September 6, 2019 are:
From 85 Fire Companies and 106 Members: \$5,253.00

Motion by Alan Way, seconded by Bruce Mack to accept the Financial Secretary's report. Motion Carried.

Report of the Treasurer – Tom McLaughlin.

Savings:	\$ 3,574.10
Checking:	\$ 561.02
Scholarship:	\$ 650.13
Total:	\$ 4,785.25
Disbursements:	\$ 6,813.24

Motion was made by Doug Wood, seconded by David Nedell to accept the Treasurers report. Motion Carried.

Communications:

Received a Thank You Card from Mary Korkuc

Received a Thank You Card from Toni Casey

Received the September VFIS Newsletter

COMMITTEE REPORTS

First Vice President William Kershner Jr. assumed the Chair.

Trustees Report - Doug Wood reported

There are Seven Trustees present for the meeting

Bowling Committee – Tom McLaughlin reported:

Waiting for the place for the 2020 Tournament.

Budget & Program Book.

Budget: Bob Walker presented the proposed budget. This will be voted on under new business.

Program Book: Ed Dysard reported:

As of September 6, 2019 we have reached 12.46% of our 2018 goal and received \$1,203.40

Bylaws Committee: William Kershner Jr.

Amendments were approved at the Convention.

Convention Committee: Wendi Walker

Everything went well.

Ems Committee: no Report.

Explorer/ Junior Firefighter Committee: No report

Fireman of the Year Committee: No Report

Fire Officers Committee: Tony Demarco III

The seminars were well attended at the Convention.

Fire Police Committee: No Report

Fire Prevention Committee: No Report

History Committee: No Report

Investment & Finance Committee: Tom McLaughlin reported:

Scholarship	\$ 650.13
Savings	\$ 3,574.10
Men's Bowling	\$ 150.00
Women's Bowling	\$ 150.00
Past Presidents	\$ 520.00
America Bonds	\$54,946.34
BALANCE 08/31/18	\$60,470.57
Scholarship savings	\$ 4,615.59
CD – 106	\$ 2,659.36
CD – 107	\$ 5,776.43
TOTAL	\$13,051.78
FASNY Checking	\$ 561.02
Total Association Assets	\$74,083.37

Legislative Committee: Robin Schott

Had the Workshop earlier.

Memorial Scholarship Committee: No Report.

Second Vice President Christopher Curry. assumed the Chair

Nominations Committee: Wendi Walker reported:

Need to have endorsements in before the Convention in July.

Nozzle Practice – Doug Wright reported that there was a minimum of 200 spectators present to watch the tournament. There were Six (6) Teams and One (1) Junior Team participating.

Winners were:

SENIORS

JUNIORS

Hydrant Hook-up	1. Jamison Road	1. Doyle Exp.
	2. Wrights Corners	2.
	3. St. Johnsburg	3.
	4. Bergholz	
Hose replacement	1. Jamison Road	1. Doyle Exp.
	2. Wrights Corners	2.
	3. Bergholz	3.
	4. Rapids	
Water Ball	1. Jamison Road	1.
	2. Wrights Corners	2.
	3. Bergholz	3.
	4. Rapids	

Winner of the Hotchkiss Trophy was Jamison Road

Parade Committee: No Report

Past Presidents Committee: Reported Nine (9) Past Presidents present.

President Participation: Mike Kislack reported as follows for the Award:

Third Place	Brighton
Second Place	St. Johnsburg
First Place	Cambria.

Public Relations: Stan MacWilliams reported that information on the Convention has been sent to the State Magazine.

Queen's Pageant: The new Queen and Princess were Introduced

The Queen is Grace Mary Bernhard, the Princess is Melissa Rose DiPasquale.

Resolutions: No Report

Topics: No Report

2% Tax: Tony Demarco: No Report

Website: Up to date.

Northern Central Liaison: Next meeting is a Dresden next week, the Banquet is Oct. 19 at the Palmyra VFW.

Southwestern Liaison: Will be holding a reorganization meeting soon.

Steering: No Report

Delegates to Southwestern: No Report

President Michael Kislack resumed the Chair.

Motion was made by Tony Demarco III, seconded by Harold Wollaber II to accept the committee reports. Motion Carried.

FASNY Firemen's Home: Trustee Anthony Demarco III gave a report:

There are 68 residents to date, will be voting on a few more in the near future.

Looking for a new Administrator.

FASNY Director: Andy Pilecki. reported on the FASNY convention.

Committees have been appointed. Reminded the Counties that they should make recommendations to FASNY for Committee Appointments.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: The Proposed budget:

Motion was made by Robert Walker, seconded by Bruce Mack to approve the proposed budget for 2019-2020.

Motion Carried.

Good of the Organization: None

The Guest list was read by Second Vice President Christopher Curry

Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms Doug Wright reported the Attendance:

This meeting Forty five (45) Members.

The Excused List consisting of ten members was read by Recording Secretary Bruce Geschwender.

Motion was made by Robert Walker, seconded by David Sweet to accept the Excused List. Motion Carried

The Benediction was offered by Chaplain Alan Way

Motion was made by Doug Wood, seconded by Tony Demarco III to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 1500hr.

Respectfully submitted Bruce Geschwender, Recording Secretary.

Next Meeting will be November 10th 2019 at the St Johnsburg Fire Hall, 7165 Ward Road, North Tonawanda, NY 14120.