

WESTERN NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, IN0C.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NORTH COLLINS FIRE TRAINING CENTER
10543 MAIN STREET
NORTH COLLINS, NEW YORK
JUNE 10, 2018

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

President James Miller called the meeting to order at 1400hr

Assistant Sergeant-at Arms Doug Wright led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Chaplain Robert Carncross offered the Invocation.

President James Miller welcomed everyone.

A motion by William Kershner, seconded by Forrest Skelton to accept the minutes of the previous session. Motion Carried.

Report of the Recording Secretary – Bruce Geschwender received an e-mail from the Niagara County Convention Committee announcing a Testimonial for FASNY Chaplain Wayne Jagow on July 21 at 1800hr at the Wrights Corners Main Fire Hall on the occasion of his retirement from FASNY. Tickets are \$35.00 each.

Motion was made by Bruce Mack and seconded by Forrest Skelton to accept the Recording Secretary's report. Motion Carried.

Report of the Financial Secretary – Penni Dysard

Reported that the total dues collected as of June 10, 2018:

From 3 Fire Departments	\$ 90.00
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From 7 members	\$ 55.00
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For a Total dues collected for 2018:	\$145.00
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Motion by Tim Tyrell, seconded by Wayne Butts to accept the Financial Secretary's report. Motion Carried.

Report of the Treasurer – Tom McLaughlin.

Savings:	\$ 4,754.33
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Checking:	\$ 4,004.65
Scholarship:	\$ 939.03
Total:	\$ 9,698.01
Disbursements:	\$ 3,257.67

Motion was made by Michael Wutz, seconded by Tony Demarco III to accept the Treasurers report. Motion Carried.

Communications:

Received Lottery Tickets from the Western New York Exhibit Center for the period July 1 – Dec. 31, 2018.

Received information on the Southwestern Convention.

Received the last two issues of the 1st Responder Newspaper

Received a request for a donation from the Western New York Exhibit Center.

Received information from the Central New York Firemen's Association in conjunction with the Ononadaga County Volunteer Firemen's convention Committee concerning a Testimonial Dinner and Clambake for FASNY President Kenneth Pienkowski to be held September 29, 2018 starting at 1730hr. Tickets are \$55.00 each.

Received a request for an ad in Southwestern's Program Book

Received a request for an ad in Central New York Firemen's Assoc. Program Book and an application for their 1st Annual Charity Golf Tournament to be held July 13, 2018.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

President James Miller retained the Chair

Trustees Report - Doug Wood reported

There are Seven Trustees present for the meeting

Bowling Committee – Tom McLaughlin

Reported that the prizes will be mailed out shortly.

The Bowling Tournament showed a profit of \$2,750.40

Budget & Program Book.

Budget: no report.

Program Book: Ed Dysard reported

As of June 10, 2018 we reached 45.02% of our 2018 goal and received \$ 6,753.24

Bylaws Committee: William Kershner:

The second reading of the proposed Amendment to: Article III Section 22

This Committee will also select a site for the annual convention as per the following: When a person is elected to the position of Second Vice President of the WNTVFA in July, he/she will have until the September meeting to select a convention site for the Annual Convention during the year as President of the WNYVFA. **The Host Company or Organization will also be required to execute a contract with the Western New York Volunteer Firemen's Association which will detail the duties and obligations of the Host Company or Organization, including but not limited to all meeting and/or convention expenses that will be the responsibility of the Host during the year and up to the Annual Convention. This contract would need to be executed no later than the September meeting of the Association.**

This Amendment will be voted on at the July Convention.

Convention Committee, President Miller

Reported that everything is on track for the 2018 Convention.

Only eight camper sites left, need to get applications in for the Golf Tournament.

The hands on training is all set.

Ems Committee: Applications will be going out shortly to the Fire Companies

Explorer/ Junior Firefighter Committee: No report

Fireman of the Year Committee: Dan Evans

The various firemen of the year have been selected..

Fire Officers Committee: No Report

Fire Police Committee: No Report

Fire Prevention Committee: No Report

History Committee: No Report

Investment & Finance Committee: Tom McLaughlin reported:

Scholarship	\$ 935.03
Savings	\$ 4,754.33

Men's Bowling	\$ 150.00
Women's Bowling	\$ 150.00
Past Presidents	\$ 520.00
America Bonds	\$ 43,062.34
Balance 04/02/17	\$ 49,575.70
Scholarship savings	\$ 14,601.89
CD – 106	\$ 2,641.16
CD – 107	\$ 5,738.11
FASNY Checking	\$ 4,004.65
Total Association Assets	\$ 76,561.51

Motion was made by Wayne Butts, seconded by Tony Demarco III to accept the Finance Report. Motion Carried.

Legislative Committee: David Sweet reported.

There has been NO progress on any bills.

Memorial Scholarship Committee: Timothy Wolfanger

Five Scholarships were given out. The Winners are:

Jacob Spayer	Holland Jr./Sr. High
Erik Scharlou	Alexander Central
Hallie Dworzanski	Niagara Wheatfield
Molly Zurawski	Wm Brennen High (TX)
Nicholas Culver	Notre Dame High

President James Miller retained the Chair.

Nominations Committee: Forrest Skelton

Need letters of endorsement for all elected positions. Have Endorsements for the offices of President, 1st Vice President, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Trustee for Niagara County, and Trustee for Allegany County.

Nozzle Practice – Doug Wright reported

Trophy's have been ordered..

Parade Committee James Dermody reported,

Parade looks good to go

Past Presidents Committee: Bruce Mack

Reported Nine Past Presidents present.

The Letter for the Past Presidents Dinner has gone out.

President Participation: No Report

Public Relations: Stan Macwilliams: Need information sent in.

Queen's Pageant: Queen and Princess are present.

Resolutions: No Report.

Topics: Everything is all set.

2% Tax: all set for FASNY Convention

Website: Bruce Geschwender reported

The website is up to date.

Northern Central Liaison: Dave Sweet reported

He listed the meeting dates for next year. Next year's convention will be June 7 & 8 at West Webster.

Southwestern Liaison: Doug Wood:

Convention is August 1-4 in Belmont. Everything is a go.

Steering: Wayne Butts reported

Gave the endorsements for the FASNY officers. There will be a Hospitality Room at the FASNY Convention on some floor.

Delegates to Southwestern: Report by Dan Evans

President James Miller retained the Chair.

Motion was made by Tony Demarco III, seconded by James Dermody to accept the committee reports. Motion Carried.

FASNY Firemen's Home: Trustee Wayne Butts gave a report.

75 members are in the Home.

The new multipurpose building was dedicated and is in use.

FASNY Director: Diana Pfersick

The FASNY convention this year is August 9 – 12 in Syracuse. FASNY gave out 25 Scholarships this year, four winners were from the Western area.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Ed Dysard presented the contract for a new Solicitor. It is basically the same contract, 80/20 split with a guarantee of \$15,000.00. A Three (3) year contract beginning Aug. 1.

This was discussed.

A motion was made by Ed Dysard, Seconded by Primo Biscaro to approve the contract with the new Solicitor. Motion Carried.

President James Miller read a letter received from the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association sent by them to the FASNY Officers. He also read the letter from FASNY in response to the letter from Hudson Valley.

A discussion followed.

A motion was made by Michael Wutz, seconded by Doug Wright, to stay away from the conflict between Hudson Valley and FASNY. Motion Carried.

It was brought up that a portion of the scholarship fund be put into an account to accumulate more interest.

This was discussed.

A motion was made by Daniel Evans, Seconded by Timothy Tyrell to invest \$10,000.00 of the scholarship fund into an America Fund. Motion Carried

Good of the Organization: none

The Guest list was read by President James Miller and Past President Bruce Mack.

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Doug Wright reported the Attendance: as 50 Members, Delegates and Guests

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

Motion was made by James Dermody, seconded by Forrest Skelton to accept the Excused List. Motion Carried

The Benediction was offered by Chaplain Robert Carncross.

Motion was made by Wayne Butts, seconded by Bruce Mack to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 1545hr.

Respectfully submitted Bruce Geschwender, Recording Secretary.

Next Meeting will be July 27th 2018 at the North Collins Marion Fricano Park, 11065
Gowanda State Road, North Collins, NY 14111 starting at 0900hr