

WESTERN NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DANSVILLE AMERICAN LEGION POST
34 ELIZABETH STREET
DANSVILLE, NEW YORK
JUNE 13, 2021

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

President William Kershner Jr. called the meeting to order at 1400hr

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

Acting Chaplain Wayne Stanley offered the Invocation.

President William Kershner Jr. welcomed everyone.

A motion by Bill McGuire, seconded by Mike Kislack to accept the minutes of the previous session. Motion Carried.

Report of the Recording Secretary – Bruce Geschwender No Report

Report of the Financial Secretary – Penni Dysard

Reported that the total dues collected as of June 4, 2021:

From 1222 Fire Departments	\$2,885.00
From 85 Members	\$ 425.00
For a Total dues collected for 2021	\$3,310.00

Motion by Bill McGuire, seconded by Dan Evans to accept the Financial Secretary's report. Motion Carried.

Report of the Treasurer – Tom McLaughlin.

Savings:	\$ 5,034.96
Checking:	\$ 1,039.27
Scholarship:	\$ 1,346.67
Total:	\$ 7,420.89

Disbursements: \$ 3,831.44

Motion was made by Dave Wolf, seconded by Bonnie Sweet to accept the Treasurers report. Motion Carried.

Communications:

Received the last two issues of the 1st Responder Newspaper

Received the latest copy of the Volunteer Firemen Magazine.

Request for Delegates for FASNY Convention

Request from FASNY for donation for the Buckenmeyer Scholarship Basket Raffle. (turned over to the Steering Committee)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

First Vice President Chris Curry assumed the Chair

Trustees Report - Doug Wood reported

There are Five Trustees present for the meeting.

Bowling Committee – Tom McLaughlin

Next year's tournament will be held the weekends of March 5-6, and 12-13, 2022 at the Gates Bowl in Rochester. This will also host the 2023 tournament.

Budget & Program Book.

Budget: No Report

Program Book: Ed Dysard reported

As of June 13, 2021 we reached 63.5% of our 2021 goal and received \$ 9,531.20

Bylaws Committee: Dave Sweet:

The revised proposed Amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws was read to the members present. This will be held over until next year.

Convention Committee, No Report

Local Convention Committee: William Kershner Jr.: reported the schedule of events for Saturday July 24, 2021.

WNYVFA Memorial Service: 11:00am at the Four Square Church

Firefighter of the Year Awards: 1200hr at the Four Square Church

Audit of the Association Books: 1300hr at the Union Hose Clubroom

WNYVFA Meeting: 1400hr at the Union Hose Clubroom

Past Presidents Dinner: 1800hr at Jacks Gaslight Grill

Ems Committee: There will be no Award this year.

Explorer/ Junior Firefighter Committee: No report

Fireman of the Year Committee: Dave Evans reported.

Presentations will be in five categories: Explorer, 1-5 years, 6-20 years, 36-50 years, and 50+ years. Honorees are from three Departments.

There were no nominees for 21-35 years, nor for Heroism.

Fire Officers Committee: No Report

Fire Police Committee: Dave Evans reported for Alan Way.

Fire Policeman of the year has been selected.

Fire Prevention Committee: No Report

History Committee: No Report

Investment & Finance Committee: Tom McLaughlin reported:

Scholarship	\$ 1,346.67
Savings	\$ 5,034.95
Men's Bowling	\$ 150.00
Women's Bowling	\$ 150.00
Past Presidents	\$ 390.00
America Bonds	\$ 68,327.01
Balance 06/13/21	\$ 75,327.63

FASNY Credit Union

Scholarship savings	\$ 4,622.38
CD – 106	\$ 2,686.28
CD – 107	\$ 5,833.59
Balance on 6/13/21	\$ 13,142.25

FASNY Checking 6/13/21	\$ 1,039.27
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Total Association Assets on 6/13/21 \$ 89,580.15

Legislative Committee: David Sweet reported.

VFBL Bill and LOSAP Modification Bill Passed.

Memorial Scholarship Committee: Dan Evans reported:

Three Scholarships were given out. The Winners are:

Tessa DeCicco	Amherst Central High School
Morgan Nolan	Dansville High School
Brittany Hammond	Caledonia-Mumford High School

Second Vice President Gerald Dunst. assumed the Chair.

Nominations Committee: Forrest Skelton

Need letters of endorsement for all elected positions prior to the Convention. Looking for Second Vice President and Recording Secretary.

Nozzle Practice – Doug Wright reported

Hopefully next year.

Parade Committee No report

Past Presidents Committee: Mike Kislack

Six Past Presidents present.

President Participation: No Report

Public Relations: No report

Queen's Pageant: The Queen was present

Resolutions: No Report

Topics: No Report

2% Tax: No Report

Website: Mike Kislack reported

The website is being updated.

Northern Central Liaison: Dave Sweet reported

Met last week in Rush. Next meeting is September 19th. Banquet will be October 16th in Palmira.

Southwestern Liaison: Doug Wood:

Meeting was today. Convention will be in August in Fredonia.

Steering: No Report.

Delegates to Southwestern: No Report

President William Kershner Jr. retained the Chair.

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

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

Home is still Covid free, has opened up for visitations.

FASNY Director: FASNY First Vice-President Ed Tase Jr.

Reported on the upcoming Convention in August in Westchester County, he also reminded those present that the 150th Convention will be held next year in Terrytown, NY.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

The new contract for the Solicitor was brought up, gone over and discussed.

Motion was made by James Miller, seconded by Wayne Butts to authorize Edward Dysard to move forward with the contract for the Solicitor.

Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Michael Kislack, Seconded by Dave Wolf to reimburse Past President James Miller for expenses to attend the Central Association Convention in Owego, NY.

Motion Carried.

Good of the Organization:

The Hospitality room at the State Convention was brought up and discussed. It was decided to leave the Hospitality Room at the State Convention up to the Steering Committee.

The Guest list was read by Second Vice President Gerald Dunst.

Sergeant-at-Arms Doug Wright reported the Attendance: as 42 Members, Delegates and Guests

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

Motion was made by Forrest Skelton, seconded by Michael Kislack to accept the Excused List. Motion Carried

The Benediction was offered by Acting Chaplain Wayne Stanley.

Motion was made by Doug Wood, seconded by Wayne butts to adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 1515hr.

Respectfully submitted Bruce Geschwender, Recording Secretary.

Next Meeting will be July 24th 2021 at the Union Hose Clubrooms, Dansville, NY at 1400hr.