

WESTERN NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Hammondsport Fire Department

8521 State Route 54

Hammondsport, New York 14840

November 14, 2021

Asst Sergeant-at-Arms Anthony Demarco IV pointed out the exits.

President Christopher Curry called the meeting to order at 1300hr

Asst Sergeant-at Arms Anthony Demarco IV led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Chaplain Alan Way offered the Invocation.

President Curry welcomed everyone.

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

A motion by Bruce Mack, seconded by Harold Wollaber II to change the order of the meeting at this time, so the Queen's Committee could crown the Queen and Princess's. Motion Carried.

Report of the Recording Secretary – Michael Kislack:

Informed the membership present that the Lifetime Membership Meeting Notice cards had been sent out and that the new Directory was available for everyone. Any changes that needed to be made to the directory, please let the Recording Secretary know ASAP and it would be updated for next year.

Motion by Alan Way, seconded by Michael Lapinski to accept the report of the Recording Secretary. Motion Carried.

Report of the Financial Secretary – Penni Dysard

Reported that \$3,845.00 in dues has been collected to date, 89 Members and 141 Fire Companies. The 2022 dues notices will be sent out at the end of December or early January. Every member and Fire Company that is two years or more in the rears will be notified if they are not paid, they will be dropped from the membership rolls.

Motion by Daniel Evans seconded by William McGuire to accept the Financial Secretary's report. Motion Carried.

Report of the Treasurer – Given by Tom McLaughlin.

Savings:	\$1,020.00
Checking:	\$6,433.38
Scholarship:	\$1,525.73
Total:	\$8,979.11
Disbursements:	\$4,239.87

Motion was made by Bruce Mack, seconded by Wayne Butts to accept the Treasurers report. Motion Carried.

Communications:

Thank You card from William Kershner Jr. for the gift he received from WNYVFA at his Testimonial Dinner.

1st Responder newspaper.

President Curry adjourned the meeting for time for all Committees to have breakout session for approximately 30 minutes. Breakout session started at 13:20 and reconvened at 14:00.

President Curry retained the Chair at 14:00 and turned the Chair 1st Vice President for Committee Reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

First Vice President Gerald Dunst assumed the Chair.

Trustees Report - Doug Wood

Five Trustees present.

Bowling Committee – Tom McLaughlin:

This year's Tournament will be March 5th and 6th 2022 and March 12th and 13th 2022 in Hornell, NY.

Budget & Program Book.

Program Book: Ed Dysard:

As of November 14, 2021, we are at 7.32% of goal, we have received \$2,050.40.

Budget: Robert Walker

Had a meeting with the Steering Committee to increase the Steering Committee budget from \$800.00 to \$1,600.00. \$250.00 would come from State Hospitality Room line item, \$250.00 from the Memorial Scholarship line item, and they would need another \$300.00 from the association.

Bylaws Committee: William Kershner Jr:

The proposed Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws from two years ago, will be brought up for vote this year during convention. They are also looking at a few other proposals and will discuss more at the next meeting.

Convention Committee, Greg Horr:

The WNYVFA Convention for this year is scheduled for July 21,22,23 2022. All the planning is going very well for 2022. 2023 convention planning is coming along good and for 2024, a site may have been secured, more to come at the next meeting.

Ems Committee: no report

Explorer/ Junior Firefighter Committee: no report

Fireman of the Year Committee: Kayla Curry:

Letters will be going out in January 2022.

Fire Officers Committee: Anthony Demarco:

Local committee is planning a Water Rescue event.

Fire Police Committee: Anthony Caraco:

On October 7th, 2021 the Fire Police Award was presented to Elmer Walters from Wendelville Fire Company.

Fire Prevention Committee: Michael Lapinski:

Talked about how hard it has been to try and get into schools even to do essays, but they are going to continue and hope to be able to get in for next year.

History Committee: No Report

Investment & Finance Committee: Tom McLaughlin:

Scholarship	\$1,525.73
Savings	\$1,020.00
Men's Bowling	\$282.00
Women's Bowling	\$150.00

Past Presidents	\$410.00
America Bonds	\$71,488.79
Balance 11/14/21	\$74,876.52
Scholarship savings	\$4,623.54
CD – 106	\$2,694.77
CD – 107	\$5,849.80
Balance 11/14/21	\$13,168.11
FASNY Checking	\$6,433.38
Total Association Assets	\$94,478.01

Legislative Committee: David Sweet reported

David thanked all those who attended the FASNY Legislative weekend in Troy. David went over the four items on the FASNY Scorecard for this year and handed out copies for anyone that wanted one. The following are the items on the Scorecard.

- 1) The Fair Play Ambulance Cost Recovery for Fire Departments
- 2) Amend Penal Code to add endangering the welfare of fire and emergency personnel
- 3) Cancer coverage cost relief
- 4) Recover of 54-G funding to support code enforcement efforts.

Memorial Scholarship Committee: no report

Second Vice President Billy Boyd assumed the Chair.

Nominations Committee: No report

Nozzle Practice: Anthony Demarco IV:

Had a meeting with the local committee and everything is good to go for 2022.

Parade Committee: William McGuire:

Had a meeting with local committee and everything looks great.

Past Presidents Committee: William Kershner Jr:

Eight Past Presidents in attendance

President Participation: Penni Dysard:

Penni gave a report on the President's Participation Award for 2020/2021

4th Place with 17 points, was Brighton

3rd Place with 19 points, was St. Johnsburg

2nd Place with 22 points, was Cambria

1st Place with 37 points, was Dansville

The Trophy was presented to Greg Horr from Dansville.

Public Relations: No report

Queen's Pageant: No report, The Queen and Princess was all introduced and crowned at the beginning of the meeting.

Resolutions: No Report

Topics: No Report

2% Tax: No Report

Have some of the new books available today.

Website: Mike Kislack:

All is going good with the website, if anyone has anything they would like to have listed, please let Mike Kislack know.

Northern Central Liaison: Dave Sweet:

Next meeting will be in January and a location has not been set at this time.

Southwestern Liaison: Doug Wood:

Next meeting is April 3rd, 2022, at Kinney Hose in Westin Mills, NY

Steering: Wayne Butts:

Chairman will be Wayne Butts, Vice Chairman will be Greg Horr, Michael Kislack will handle the money.

President Curry resumed the Chair.

Motion was made by William Kershner Jr, seconded by Anthony Demarco to accept the committee reports. Motion Carried.

FASNY Firemen's Home: Trustee Anthony Demarco:

77 members are in the home and working on 2 more applications. Members are still Covid free. Pool has been reopened and it has been a great hit with a waiting list every day. We had one nurse supervisor come back to work for us after leaving due to the COVID-19 vaccination requirement.

FASNY Director: No Report

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

A motion was made by Bruce Mack and Seconded by Anthony Demarco to add \$300.00 to the Steering Committee budget. Motion Carried

Motion was made by Bruce Mack and Seconded by Harold Wollaber II, to support Wayne Butts for FASNY 2nd Vice President in 2022. Motion Carried.

Good of the Organization:

William Kershner Jr, spoke for a few moments on how important it is to be a member of FASNY, and asked that anyone that is not a member to please join.

The Guest list was read by Second Vice President Boyd.

Asst Sergeant-at-Arms Anthony Demarco IV reported the Attendance: as 37 Members, Delegates and Guests

The Excused List consisting of Eleven members was read by Recording Secretary Michael Kislack.

Motion was made by Alan Way, seconded by Bruce Mack to accept the Excused List. Motion Carried

The Benediction was offered by Chaplain Alan Way

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

Meeting Adjourned at 14:47hr.

Respectfully submitted Michael Kislack, Recording Secretary.

Next Meeting will be January 9th, 2022, at the starting at 1300hr