



Monroe County Volunteer Firemen's Association
Board of Directors Zoom/Teleconference Meeting Minutes
August 22, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 1910 hours by President Mike Lapinski.

Board members present were President Mike Lapinski, Jr. Past President Royer Pfersick, Directors Chris Dunn, Larry Ritz, Dale Nesbitt, Secretary Diana Pfersick, and association member Glenn Klingenberg who left at approximately 1955. Treasurer Jim Princehorn joined at approximately 2000.

Excused: Michael Marlowe, David Coon

The pledge of allegiance was led by Dale Nesbitt.

An opening prayer was offered by Royer Pfersick.

The May 30th minutes will be sent on August 23rd.

Communications/Secretary Report: Secretary Pfersick reported mail received was as follows: A copy of the Volunteer Firefighter, a copy of 1st Responder News, a letter from Domain Listings, and a mailing from the Jack Gligora with requests for participation and donations for the 9/11 stair climb and memorial bike ride.

Treasurer's Report: The report was emailed. A motion was made by Larry Ritz, seconded by Chris Dunn, and carried to acknowledge the treasurer's report.

Committee Reports: Only Committees with a report are listed

Audit: Chris Dunn noted that a written report is needed.

Budget and Finance: Chis Dunn reported that budget did not have an account for a bill from Lamont Trophies for \$45 for update of President's trophy. It was suggested and agreed that the charge would come from account 217. Also, some discussion on proposed possible activities for members which will impact the budget for next year. Those that are going to be pursued will need to be accounted for in the budget. The September meeting of the Board will be dedicated to activities planned for the upcoming year. The budget meeting will be in October.

Fire Prevention: Mike Lapinski noted that letters will be sent to Principals not Districts.

Investments: Larry Ritz reported that there has been some gain.

Legislation: Diana Pfersick reported that the Legislative weekend will be the first weekend in November at the Hilton Garden in Troy.

Membership: There was discussion on how to attract participants. Diana Pfersick noted that Onondaga County improved attendance by including program at each meeting and minimizing meeting agenda.

Delegate Reports:

WNYVFA: Dale Nesbitt reported that their Convention had a muster on Saturday with a parade after. Friday there was training on Active Shooter and Mercy Flight. The Past President Dinner is on September 21st and their next meeting is in Avon on the 22nd. The next two conventions will be in Dansville.

FASNY: Diana Pfersick reported that the Convention had a few hiccoughs both at the hotel and the convention center, but overall went well. The new 2nd Vice President had buses come in from Central New York, so no one else had a chance. Diana did note that she will run again for 2nd Vice President in 2026. That will be in Long Island, so she will need a lot of support from upstate.

Firefighter's Home: Mike Lapinski reported there are 83 currently at the Home and they will be voting on 4 more. There will be an open house at the Home on October 5th. Chris Dunn asked what gift the Home might need this year that we could give. Mike will check.

NCNYVFA: Diana Pfersick reported that Northern Central will be meeting in Nedrow on September 15th.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Diana Pfersick asked if any action is desired on the request from the Fallen Firefighter Association. Chris Dunn stated we have already donated to the Fallen Firefighters this year and the budget doesn't support further expenditure.

Bills: One bill: Lamont Trophies for \$45 to come from account 217 for trophy update. A motion was made by Larry Ritz, seconded by Chris Dunn, and carried to pay this bill. The trophy had damage that was repaired without charge.

Good of the Order: Larry Ritz noted that August 23rd is the 166th Anniversary of the Protectives.

A closing prayer was offered by Chaplain Royer Pfersick.

A motion was made by Royer Pfersick, seconded by Larry Ritz, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Pfersick
Secretary