



**Monroe County Volunteer Firemen's Association
Board of Directors Zoom/Teleconference Organizational Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 1905 hours by President Mike Lapinski.

Board members present were President Mike Lapinski, Jr. Past President Royer Pfersick, Directors Chris Dunn, Larry Ritz, Mike Marlowe, Secretary Diana Pfersick and Treasurer Jim Princehorn.

Excused: David Coon, Dale Nesbitt

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mike Lapinski.

An opening prayer was offered by Royer Pfersick.

A motion was made by Royer Pfersick, seconded by Chris Dunn and carried to approve the December Board of Directors meeting minutes as written.

Communications/Secretary Report: Diana Pfersick reported that the organization received 3 U-Line catalogs. She will contact them and ask them to remove the group from their mailing list. A mailing from Northern Central with an announcement for their Legislative Outreach Program on Saturday as well as the 2024 dues statement.

Treasurer's Report: The report was emailed. A motion was made by Larry Ritz, seconded by Royer Pfersick and carried to acknowledge the treasurer's report. Jim Princehorn reported that the 1099's have been sent. 1096 has been sent to the IRS. He and Larry Ritz are set to meet with Sage Ruttly, but the date may have to be changed.

Investments: Larry Ritz reported year end realized gains won't be reported until the end of the month.

Firefighter's Home: Mike Lapinski reported that the home has 88 residents.

Old Business: None at this time.

New Business: Committee list was reviewed. Meeting dates were sent out. There was discussion regarding potential topics including games of chance and update on local fire issues from County Coordinator Schalabba. President Lapinski noted that possibility that the June meeting could be a Chili cook-off. Discussion regarding if the Fire Prevention Essay Contest should continue. Mike Lapinski noted that he would like to have another year. He plans on hand delivering materials. Chris Dunn suggested having a power point for the superintendents and possible incentive for principals. There was also discussion on an income stream for the organization. Diana Pfersick noted a fund drive is less work with better return than a raffle. There is also planning to host a water ball tournament in 2024. A location needs to be determined by March 13. Other possible events could be a trap shoot with a picnic or pigs roast type of event.

Resolutions:

Resolved, that Royer Pfersick be and is hereby appointed to the position of Chaplain to the for the year 2024 and is to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors and

Resolved, that Joel Krane be appointed to the position of Attorney to the MCVFA for the year 2024 and is to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors and

Resolved, that Royer Pfersick from the Board of Directors, be and is hereby first in the line of succession in the event of the absence, death, or resignation of the President for the year 2024. This temporary position shall only be held until a successor can be appointed by the Board of Directors and

Resolved, that the Board of Directors for the MCVFA, authorizes the payment of mileage for the use of private vehicles in the course of official duties at the rate set by the Internal Revenue Service, and further resolved, that a claim for payment of mileage is to be made on a proper MCVFA check request forms and submitted to the Treasurer for Board approval. Motion to approve the above by Chris Dunn, seconded by Larry Ritz, and carried.

Resolved, that the Official Depositor Bank for the MCVFA for the year 2024 be designated as M&T Bank. Let it be also resolved that the Treasurer, James Princehorn be the authorized signer along with President Michael Lapinski and Director Larry Ritz on the above designated bank and

Resolved, that the official investment managers and administrators for the long and short term investment funds of the Association shall be Sage-Rutty, Inc. Let it be also resolved, that the Treasurer, James Princehorn be the authorized signer along with President Michael Lapinski and Director Lawrence Ritz on the above designated Institution. A motion was made by Royer Pfersick, seconded by Chris Dunn, and carried to approve the above.

Resolved, that the Board of Director of the MCVFA hereby adopts David Brasse as the Association Accountant for the year 2024 via a motion by Chris Dunn, seconded by Royer Pfersick and carried.

Resolved, that the Board of Director of the MCVFA hereby adopts Utica National as the Association insurance company for the year 2024 via a motion by Larry Ritz, seconded by Royer Pfersick and carried.

Resolved, that the Board of Directors of the MCVFA, hereby re-adopts and re-approves the Rules and Regulations, policies, procedures, operational guidelines, handbook, and other documents as previously approved via a motion by Chris Dunn, seconded by Larry Ritz and carried.

Appointment of the Sergeant at Arms yet to be determined.

Bills: Northern Central for 2024 Dues in the amount of \$15 from account 404. \$11.37 was charged to the debit card to mail the 1099 and 1096 by Treasurer Princehorn. A motion was made by Larry Ritz, seconded by Chris Dunn and carried to pay the bills.

A closing prayer was offered by Chaplain Royer Pfersick.

A motion was made by Mike Marlowe, seconded by Larry Ritz and carried to adjourn the meeting at 2033.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Pfersick
Secretary