



LEBANON COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION

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Mr. Zion Community Fire Company – 19 January 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Lebanon County Firefighter's Association was called to order at 19:30 hours with President Paul Snyder presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by the singing of the first verse of America. A moment of silence was observed for Charles Kreiser of Newmanstown followed by the invocation offered by Ron Miller.

President Snyder appointed Carl Sensing and Eric Reddinger as Sergeants At Arms.

The Address of Welcome was provided by Eric Reddinger, Fire Chief of Mt. Zion Community Fire Company, and the Response offered by Jason Weikel.

A roll call of officers and delegates was followed by the reading of the minutes from the previous meetings which were approved as read.

Officer's Reports

- President: Paul Snyder - President Snyder reported that he had been contacted by Pennsylvania State Police who are interested in making a presentation at a monthly meeting and he has scheduled them for the February 16 meeting at Lebanon's Station 1.
- Vice Presidents:
 - 1st VP: David Hull - No report
 - 2nd VP: Jason Weikel - No report
 - 3rd VP: Richard Kreitzer – No report
 - 4th VP: Frank Ceresini, III - No report
- Recording Secretary: No report
- Financial Secretary: Randolph Simmon reported a membership at 112 Beneficial, 26 Non-Beneficial and 296 life members for a total of 434. He also reported 34 members have none payment status. His written report was submitted for these minutes.
- Treasurer: Richard Bleistine presented the Treasurer's report for January. The report was accepted subject to audit on a motion by Frank Ceresini, III and seconded by Barry Batz. His written report was submitted for these minutes.
- Trustees: Williams Kale reported that the trustees had been requested to place a mailbox outside the fire training grounds gates to receive mail addressed to our assigned street address of 1 Zearfoss Drive.
- Fire Marshal: Fire Marshal Michael Tribioli reported no investigations in December.

Committee Reports

- Executive Committee: There was no meeting in December with the next Committee meeting scheduled for January 25 at Station 1.
- Fire Education: No report
- Auditing: No report
- Publicity: No report
- Memorial: Ronald Miller reported the Memorial Committee will meet in April to start the planning of this year's memorial service at Quentin.
- Membership: The Committee presented 1 person, Michael Fertig of the Neversink Fire Company for non-beneficial membership.
- Entertainment: The Entertainment Committee presented \$56.00 to the treasury from the 50/50 drawing of the evening and made 3 prize drawings.
- Chiefs: Chairman Paul Snyder reported the next meeting would be with Met-Ed representatives on January 27.
- Fire Training, Facilities & Equipment: Charles Killian reported the following:
 - Spring Essential are scheduled with February 18 registration at Prescott Fire Hall at 6:00 pm.
- Awards: Frank Ceresini, III, reported that the sponsors for this year's awards are nearly complete.
- Nominating: No report



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Special Committee reports

- Smokies: The Smokies met at the Independent Social Club on January 15 with the next meeting scheduled for this year's convention.
- Foam: No report
- Website: Current information regarding Spring Essentials has been posted.
- Honor Guard: No report
- By-Laws Committee: A proposed change to the By-Laws was presented which outlines how the assets of the Association would be distributed in the event the Association disbands. This amendment is required for application for State Sales Tax exemption and was tabled till next meeting.
- Convention Committee: Ed Treat reported the letter for Convention Book ads has been mailed.

Delegate's Reports

- Firemen's Association State of Pennsylvania: No report
- Southeastern Firemen's Association: No report
- Pennsylvania Fire & Emergency Services Institute: No report

Unfinished Business

It was reported that attorney Feeman has agreed to make our 503(c) nonprofit application for us for a fee of \$1,500.00.

The Sector Chiefs will meet with Met-Ed on January 27. There were additional discussions on the need for Sector Chiefs to attend the Associations monthly meeting to hear the concerns of the Association.

Frank Ceresini, III, inquired into the status of moving funds into the Edward Jones accounts set up for the purpose of greater returns on our investments.

New Business

A motion by Michael Tribioli, seconded by Charles Killian to move \$40,000.00 into the Fire School account from the death benefit account was defeated.

A motion by Larry Stohler, seconded by Ed Treat, to use Hershey Wagner funds as needed for classroom renovation at the fire training grounds was approved.

On a motion by Charles Killian, seconded by Lee Spencer, \$295.00 was approved expended from the Hershey Wagner fund for an Arson Scene Search class.

A motion by Frank Ceresini, seconded by Jason Weikel, to purchase a laptop for the Treasurer and Secretary, external hard drives for backing up data, and a digital recorder for meeting recording for the Secretary was defeated.

A motion by Frank Ceresini, seconded by Carl Bachman, to approve the \$1,500.00 expenditure for the filing of 501c tax status was approved.

On a motion by Randy Lebo, seconded by Frank Ceresini, III, the following bills shall be paid:

FFESI	\$100.00	Yearly dues
Lowe's	\$ 450.95	Fire School Classroom
Met-Ed	\$ 28.11	Fire School Electric
Quentin VFC	\$ 130.00	Convention Book Ads
Public Agency Training Council	\$ 295.00	Arson class for Assist. Fire Marshall
Graybar Electric	\$ 2,161.76	Fire School Classroom
Larry Helmuth	\$ 186.56	Reimbursement for Fire Classroom Expenses
Rapid 911	\$ 292.00	Clothing for Assist. Fire Marshall



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Roll Call of Companies & Past Presidents

There were 33 members with 7 past presidents representing 17 companies in attendance

Announcement of Next Meeting Place

The next regular meeting will be at February 16, 2016, at Perseverance Fire Company of Lebanon, at 19:30 hours.

Good of the Association - None

Adjournment

On a motion by David Hull and a seconded by Frank Ceresini, the meeting was adjourned until the 16th of February, 2016.

The Association rose with a vote of thanks to the host, Mt. Zion Community Fire Company.

Larry Helmuth
Recording Secretary