

## **A. C. V. E. S. A. Monthly Meeting**

April 5, 2001

Bendersville, PA

President Les Morton called the monthly meeting to order.

President Morton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prayer was given by Chaplin Don Sneeringer.

On a motion by Denise Strevig, Co.20 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Missy Zinn, Co.18 the previous months minutes will be accepted as printed.

Correspondence: We received a letter from Congressman Todd Platts thanking us for our letter requesting monies for the new training center. He in turn has contacted members of HUD about our request. He also sent a letter that he will be able to attend the morning portion of the convention.

We received a letter from Lt. Governor Mark Schweiker and PEMA director Dave Smith they will not be able to attend the convention.

A letter was received from State Fire Commissioner Ed Mann his schedule is still pending if he will be able to attend the convention.

At the time of roll call 21 companies were in attendance with 62 delegates. The following companies were present Abbottstown, Barlow, Bendersville, Bonneauville, Brushtown, Buchanan Valley, Cashtown, Conewago, East Berlin, Fairfield, Fountaindale, Gettysburg, Hampton, Heidlersburg, Irishtown, Kingsdale, Lake Meade, Littlestown, McSherrystown New Oxford, and York Springs. The following were not present Arendtsville, Aspers, Biglerville, Centennial, Greenmount, Midway, and Mt. Joy.

In the absence of Dave Martin, who is out of town, Les Morton read the bills that are to be paid. On a motion by Don Wills Co. 3 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Reid Co. 18 the bills are to be paid.

In the absence of Dave Martin, who is out of town, Les Morton gave the treasurers report. On a motion by Martha Shriver Co.7 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Francis Warner Co. 17 the treasurer's report was accepted as read.

We had a special quest from the State Treasurers Office, Ryan Buxton from the Invest Program. He gave a presentation on the Invest Programs that are available to fire companies. He talked about alternative way to invest our money. This program is run by the State for the benefit of the fire companies..

John Weiser and Lisa Staub of the New Oxford Junior Fire Company presented The Association with a \$100.00 check for the new training facility.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **CHIEFS**

Ken Kime Co. 1 reported that the Chiefs would meet on a quarterly bases their next meeting would be on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

The following would serve on the committee to investigate an accountability system Gordy Sachs Co.2, Dave Blocher Co. 1, Steve Rabine Co. 13, Dave Maring Co. 22, Larry Feeser Co. 14, Luke Whitsel Co. 18, and Bryan Tyler Co. 1. They will look into what is now being used and what will work best for us.

They will also be looking at the Incident Command System and incorporate this into county policy. The areas of most concern we will see if the National Fire Academy would provide an instructor for classes.

#### **EMS**

Denise Strevig Co. 20 reported that May 20<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup> is EMS week. They are still working on the baby-sitters cards. They are currently looking for a facility to hold EMS classes since HACC has deleted Gettysburg HACC as a location to hold these classes. This new development we see a need for our training facility.

#### **FIREFIGHTERS**

No report.

#### **JUNIOR FIREFIGHTERS**

No report.

#### **FIRE MASHALL**

Glen Herring reported that he had 1 structure fire investigation.

### **DEPUTY FIRE MARSHALL**

Jerry Poland reported that he had 2-structure fire investigation. He also said that he has been asked, by the State Fire Commissioners Office, to serve on a state wide Arson Task Force committee. He is looking forward to the challenge of this committee.

### **JOINT FIRE/RESCUE TRAINING COMMITTEE**

Don Hubbard Co. 22 gave a report with the numbers of fire fighters that have attended classes. These numbers reaffirmed the need for a training facility.

### **FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE**

Wayne Reid Co. 18 asked the membership secretary that at the end of June he receive a list of all deceased members so he can contact them of the memorial service.

### **BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

No Report

### **QUEEN COMMITTEE**

Missy Zinn Co. 18 no report.

### **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL COMMITTEE**

No report

### **PUBLICITY COMMITTEE**

Eric Bergdale Co. 1 has placed an article in the Gettysburg Times about the Fire Fighters Ball.

### **FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE**

Glen Herring reported that he has fire prevention material available.

### **TRAINING FACILITY COMMITTEE**

Dan Poist Co. 13 reported that the next meeting would be on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. The committee has met with Congressman Todd Platts to provide him with the information he placed in the letter he sent to the members of HUD.

### **MERGER COMMITTEE**

John Lawver Co. 1 ask that this committee be given more time to work out the details of the Fire Marshall Agreement with the County Commissioners. On a motion by Larry Weikert Co. 1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Reid Co. 18 they will be given more time.

### **FIREFIGHTERS BALL**

No report

### **FIRE REPORTING COMMITTEE**

Dale Reichert Co. 12 had no report at this time.

### **HOUSE NUMBERING**

George Eschbach Co. 26 reported that he has obtained all information needed to mail to all the municipalities in Adams County. He asked President Morton to review the letter he drafted and sign it for mailing.

### **BULK PURCHASING**

Larry Weikert Co. 1 reported that Hampton Fire Co. would be placing the order for tables in the next week. If interested contact Don Shemon Co. 10.

### **HAZ-MAT COMMITTEE**

No report

### **FUND RAISING COMMITTEE**

Randy Wolf Co. 10 reported that Martha has people to work at Apple Harvest we need permission to proceed with this project. On a motion by Jerry Poland Co. 19 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt Colm Co. 18 we will be selling apple strudel at Apple Harvest.

Randy Wolf Co. 10 reported on the information he had obtained on getting T-shirts printed. On a motion by Larry Weikert Co. 1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Poist Co. 13 we will be purchasing the shirts from the T-shirt Factory, we will then add \$2.00 per shirt to go to the county.

On a motion by Jerry Poland Co. 19 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vern Grove Co. 18 we will be using the blue t-shirt with white silkscreen, the shirt will have the county patch on the front and the county map on the back.

## **ALTERNATIVE FUNDING**

Jerry Poland Co. 19 reported that there are 5 options of raising money Adams County governmental assistance, Grants (federal, state, local), Capital campaign, in house fundraisers, Newspaper and TV education programs.

## **REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES**

### **REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ADAMS COUNTY EMA OFFICE**

Joe Schwartz Co. 13 handed out information packets to all companies that were present.

### **CONVENTION HOST COMMITTEE**

Randy Lory Co. 9 reported that information would be in the mail soon.

### **LAW AND LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Steve Sipe Co. 13 reported that Federal grant money applications are available it has 35 pages to it.

### **REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PA FIRE SERVICES INSTITUTE**

Steve Sipe Co. 13 reported that the next meeting would be in June at MSA in Pittsburgh.

### **REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

Next meeting at Shippensburg on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CUMBERLAND VALLEY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

Next meeting at Shippensburg on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SOUTHEASTERN FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

No Report

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

At this time on a motion by John Lawver Co. 1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Poland Co. 19 the Adams County Volunteer Emergency Services meeting was suspended to conduct the final business of the Adams County Fire Fighters Association at the conclusion of that meeting this meeting will be opened to finish business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Dave Martin Co. 3 attended the National Explorers Meeting held at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg. They are asking for our help with the individual contests. On a motion by Vern Grove Co. 18 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glen Herring Co. 4 we will help at this event.

### **GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION**

On a motion by Wayne Reid Co. 18 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Wills Co. 3 we will be purchasing 100 county patches from Moul Enterprises.

Larry Weikert Co. 1 reported that he could obtain extra copies of the Penna. Fireman that has the article of the Pub fire in Gettysburg the cost would be \$3.00 per copy.

It was questioned by some of the members of the association that since there has been no participation by anyone from Company 8 (Aspers), since the new organization started in October, do they know next months meeting is scheduled to be held at their facilities. President Morton will contact the Aspers Fire Company ASAP about holding our May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2001 meeting at their department. We will plan to have the meeting at Aspers, unless other wise notified.

### **LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING**

Aspers Fire Company on May 3<sup>rd</sup> starting time 7:00pm.

### **MOTION FOR ADJOURMENT**

On a motion by Vernon Grove Co. 18 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Lawver Co.1 the meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Pamela Jo Reichert, Recording Secretary  
Adams County Volunteer Emergency Services

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