



ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Scullville (Egg Harbor Township)

December 19, 2001

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, December 19, 2001 with President R. Thomas Hunter presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by a moments silence in respect to our deceased members. President Hunter then pointed out the exits.

The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present. Chief Wally Shields welcomed the membership to Scullville and in turn introduced Deputy Mayor Frank Sutton who gave his welcome to the attendees to Egg Harbor Township. Chief Shields also introduced Chief James Garth and Chief William Danz as well as Egg Harbor Township Chief Tony Canale.

Minutes of the previous meeting of November 21, 2001 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

The Report of the Treasurer was accepted as read.

Director of Training Mike Corbo reported that he is waiting for dates for several courses of the Division of Fire Safety and then will have the Spring Course Booklet available for distribution. Also needs the dates from the Division to complete his nozzle paper. Mike also reported the Graduation Ceremony for Firefighter I will be held on Monday, January 28 at 7 PM at the Fire Training Center.

The Pleasantville Fire Department is to donate a fire engine (pumper) to the Atlantic County Fire Training Academy to replace the present engine that was donated by Blairstown. The Fire Academy is hoping to receive a ladder truck to replace the present one.

Mike reported that Instructors are presently needed for the Fire Training Academy and those interested in being appointed should contact him or Marianne at the Training Center to obtain information and application for the instructors' position.

The Secretary reminded the membership of the fast approaching annual meeting of January 16, 2002 in Egg Harbor City and needs names of deceased firefighters of the County who have answered their last alarm during the past year. Names are needed ASAP so they may be properly honored and listed in the booklet for the evening's Memorial Service.

The Secretary also reported on the Cape-Atlantic 200 Club Memorial Services and Breakfast to be held on Sunday, February 24, 2002 and tickets and information are available from Fire Marshal Whitey Swartz, Ed Vincent, and Howard Guenther. Pictures are needed of the line of duty deaths of Firefighters of the County as well as names of their survivors. Pictures and names of survivors are needed ASAP.

Chief Garth reported that the next meeting of the Fire Chiefs' Association is scheduled for Tuesday, January 29th in Absecon. The February 28th meeting is to be held in Pomona.

DATE CLEARING

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| Sunday | Jan. 13 | Somers Point #2 | Breakfast (AYCE) | 8 AM to 12 noon |
| Wednesday | Jan. 16 | Egg Harbor City | ACFFA Annual Meeting and Memorial Services | 8 PM |
| Tuesday | Jan. 29 | Absecon | Atlantic County Fire Chiefs Assn. Meeting | 8 PM |
| Thursday | Jan. 31 | Absecon | Atl.Co.Firemen's Death Benefit Trustees Meeting | 8 PM |
| Sunday | Feb. 10 | Somers Point #2 | Breakfast (AYCE) | 8 AM to 12 noon |
| Sunday | Feb. 24 | Atlantic City | Cape/Atlantic 200 Club Annual Memorial Services&Breakfast | |
| Thursday | Feb. 28 | Pomona | Atlantic County Fire Chiefs' Assn. Meeting | 8 PM |
| Sunday | Mar. 10 | Somers Point #2 | Breakfast (AYCE) | 8 AM to 12 noon |
| Friday | Mar. 22 | Crab Trap-Somers | Point Atl.Co. Firefighters Assn. Dinner | 6:30/7:30 PM |
| Saturday | Apr. 13 | Oceanville | Oyster or Ham Dinner | 4 to 8 PM |
| Saturday | May 4 | Germania | Turkey or Pork Dinner | 4 to 7:30 PM |
| Saturday | June 1 | Cologne | Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc. | 1 to 7 PM |
| Sunday | June 2 | Dorothy | Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc. | 12 noon to 6 PM |
| Saturday | June 22 | Absecon | Housing | |
| Tuesday | Aug. 20 | Egg Harbor City | Atlantic Co. Caucus for 2002 Firemen's Convention | 8 PM |
| Fri & Sat | Sept 13 & 14 | Wildwood | 2002 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention | |

"In Union For The Safety Of All"

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| Saturday Oct. 5 | Germania | Turkey or Pork Dinner | 4 to 7:30 PM |
| Saturday Nov. 9 | Oceanville | Oyster or Ham Dinner | 4 to 8 PM |

Ted Reinhard reported that he has forwarded Christmas greetings to his friends from the different fire equipment manufacturers and suppliers. He has his wish list ready to send them for firematic supplies for the fire training academy.

A letter of thanks was received from the New Jersey Firemen's Home for the \$200.00 donation from the Firefighters' Association for the use of the guests during the year for their needs.

Oscar Dutch reported that he has received several uniform shoulder patches, but still needs patches from the following to complete the display of Atlantic County patches at the Home:

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| Belcoville | East Vineland | Estell Manor | Folsom |
| Mizpah | Nesco | Newtonville | Somers Point #2 |
| Sweetwater | | | |

Election of Officers for 2002 was next in order and as there was no opposition for any of the positions, a motion was made, seconded and carried for the Secretary to cast a ballot and he announced the election of the following officers for the year of 2002:

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| President | R. Thomas Hunter Jr. | Executive Committee (9) |
| 1st Vice President | Dennis Sharpe | Howard Berchtold Jr. |
| 2nd Vice President | Kathleen Dierwechter | Ronald Bird Jr. |
| Secretary | Howard R. Guenther | Anthony Canale |
| Treasurer | Lou Raciti | Oscar Dutch Jr. |
| Chaplain | Thomas Sweeny | James Garth |
| Sergeants-at-Arms (3) | Chester Crowell | Charles J. Guenther |
| | Clarence Guenther | Amor "Skip" Portale |
| | Charles Sander | Ted Reinhard |
| | | John V. Wagner |

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2002 at 8:00 PM in Egg Harbor City.

As this is the annual Memorial Services, members are requested to wear their dress uniforms for the meeting.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary

The Officers and members of the Executive Committee wish to extend to you and your families their best wishes for a safe, healthy and prosperous New Year.