



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Longport

February 20, 2002

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, February 20, 2002 with President R. Thomas Hunter Jr. presiding. President Hunter then pointed out the exits to the membership in attendance.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the reading of the rolls by the Secretary to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present.

The membership was welcomed to Longport by Chief Levon "Leffty" Clayton who in turn introduced Commissioner William Fiore who also extended his welcome.

Minutes of the previous meeting of January 16, 2002 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

The Report of the Treasurer was approved and accepted as read.

A presentation was given by Mark Remy of Virtua Health on BioHazard current procedures. He reported on the new accountability system that was implemented for their personnel. They are now carrying dual ID cards as well as going into the Incident Command System.

Minutes of the January 4, 2002 meeting of the Executive Committee were approved. The Board of Directors of the Fire Training Academy are to hold their meeting on March 11th.

Fire Marshal Whitey Swartz reported that there are still a few companies not forwarding their fire reports in to him.

Whitey also reported that the information for the Valor Awards program has been forwarded to all companies and nominations are due the end of the month and the committee will meet shortly to review them and make the presentations at the April 17th meeting at the Fire Training Center.

March 15th is cutoff date for receiving fire prevention posters and the committee will meet shortly there after to judge the posters on the County level and forward the winners to the State for final judging.

All companies are requested to forward their mutual aid updates to Whitey as soon as possible so that changes may be implemented and forwarded to all companies for their books.

Mike Corbo reported on the January 28 Firefighter 1 graduation and that it was well attended and went over well.

The new Firefighter 1 class has started February 14 with 30 students at this time.

Mike reported that certificates for all past courses have been made out and anyone with problems or questions to contact him.

New gear for the instructors has been ordered.

## DATE CLEARING

Sunday	March 10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast (AYCE)	8 AM to 12 noon
Friday	March 22	Crab Trap-Somers Point	Atl.Co. Firefighters Assn Dinner	6:30/7:30 PM
Saturday	April 6	Pomona Fire Co.	at Fred&Ethels Dinner & Comedy Show	info 652-2062
Saturday	April 13	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	April 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast (AYCE)	8 to 12 noon
Saturday	May 4	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast (AYCE)	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	May 18	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 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
Tuesday	August 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	
Saturday	Sept. 14	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Oct. 5	Mizpah	Housing	
Saturday	Oct. 5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 7:30 PM
Saturday	Oct. 19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Saturday	Nov. 9	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM

*"In Union For The Safety Of All"*

The Annual Firefighters' Association Dinner is to be held on Friday, March 22 at the Crab Trap in Somers Point and members who are planning on attending should notify Howard Guenther at (609) 652-7712 as soon as possible with the choice of dinner.

A tentative date of Thursday, May 23, 2002 has been set for the Annual Memorial Services at the Police and Firefighters' Plaza in Atlantic City. Further details will be forthcoming when the date is firmed up.

The New Jersey Volunteer Fire Chiefs' Association is to hold their meeting on Radio Road at the Mystic Island Firehouse on June 9, 2002 from 10:30 AM to 12 noon. For further information on the Volunteer Fire Chiefs' Association and the meeting, contact Eugene Enfield at (609) 296-6803.

Ron Bird reported that many new books are being received for the Library and firefighters are making use of the library.

Oscar Dutch reported on the NJ Firemen's Home and they have adopted a 5 year plan for building improvements. Currently there are 108 guests in the home, 76 on long term care and 32 on self care.

The Audit of the Association's books is being held over.

Whitey Swartz reported that he is looking into the possibility of starting up the Fire Police group again and more information is to follow.

Ted Reinhard, Chairman of the Procurement Committee, reported that numerous items are starting to arrive in response to his requests that he forwarded to equipment manufacturers. Ted also reported that many items are also being received for the library per requests.

The valve on the LP equipment at the training center is to be repaired shortly.

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390 million dollars is available for federal grants and there is a April 1, 2002 deadline for applying for the funds. Mr. Terry Dolan, City Administrator from Absecon, will be speaking on this year's USFA Grant Program.

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

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 20, 2002 in Folsom at 8:00 P.M.

Attested

Howard H. Berchtold Jr.

Secretary Pro Tem