



ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

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March 20, 2002

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, March 20, 2002 with President R. Thomas Hunter presiding. President Hunter then pointed out the exits to those members in attendance. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by a silent prayer for our deceased members.

Chief Larry Smith extended a warm welcome to the membership .

The Secretary read the rolls to ensure a quorum being present and to record attendance. Minutes of the previous meeting of February 20, 2002 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

The minutes of the March 1, 2002 meeting of the Executive Committee were approved and accepted as read.

A recap was given on the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Training Academy held on March 11, 2002.

Fire Marshal Whitey Swartz reported that the Valor Awards committee is to meet on Thursday, March 21 to go over the nominees for the awards which will be presented at the next meeting of the Association on Wednesday, April 17 at the Fire Training Center. The Fire Prevention Poster Committee is to meet on Tuesday, April 9th to judge the posters submitted and forward the best of each category to the State. Anyone having posters should get them to him as soon as possible so that they may be judged also.

Director of Training Mike Corbo gave a recap of upcoming training courses and remarked that they are being filled rather quickly and anyone desiring to attend any courses to get their applications in as soon as possible. List of courses are in the Training Course Announcement Booklet as well as being listed in the Nozzle paper. Mike reported that 35 trainees are enrolled in Firefighter I and 29 trainees enrolled in Firefighter II.

The Annual Memorial Services at the Police and Firefighters Plaza in Atlantic City will be held on Thursday, May 23, 2002. Time of event will be announced later. Whitey Swartz and Howard Guenther have been appointed to serve on the Committee representing the Fire Service.

Ron Bird reported that many new books and videos have been added to the Library stock and usage has increased following the start of the fire training courses.

DATE CLEARING

Saturday	April	6	Pomona Fire Co.	Dinner & Comedy Show at Fred & Ethels	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	April	20	Cologne	Stand Up Comedy Show	
Saturday	April	27	Seaview Marriott	Retirement Dinner for Chief Culleney	info 652-7617
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
Thursday	May	23	Atlantic City	Firefighters and Police Memorial Services	
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
Thursday	July	25	Egg Harbor City	Atl.Co.Firemen's Death Benefit Trustees Meeting	8 PM
Tuesday	Aug.	20	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co. Caucus for 2002 Firemen's Convention	8PM
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	9 AM til
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"

Chief James Garth reminded the membership of the Chiefs Association meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 26 at 8 PM in Landisville.

John V. Wagner reported that he and Howard Guenther met with the Legislative Aide of Assemblymen Blee and D'Amato and discussed different firematic legislation and that they have resubmitted the bill to increase from \$25000 to \$30000 the amount that the freeholders may contribute for communications and to include training in tne Bill. Members and companies are requested to Honorable Herry Green, Chairman of the Assembly Housing and Local Government Committee at 7-9 Watchung Avenue in Plainfield, NJ 07060 and request him to post this A-894 bill at the next meeting of the Committee.

The Ways and Means Committee reported that they have ordered a supply of T-shirts, etc. and they should be receiving the order shortly.

Oscar Dutch gave a report on the Firemen's Home.

Joe Ward reported that he is presently doing SCBA Fits tests and companies needing to be tested to contact him to set up an appointment.

The Comittee reportedthat they have interviewed 8 applicants who have submitted their applications and resumes to become Instructors at the Fire Training Academy and they recommend that all 8 be added to the Fire Training Academy staff. Motions made, seconded and carried to accept their recommendation and add all 8 to the staff.

It was announced that Galloway Township is to hold a testimonial dinner for retiring Township Chief Thomas Culleney at the Seaview Marriott on Saturday, April 27th.

Terry Dolan, the Adminstrator for Absecon, spoke on grant writing and gave some advise and pointers in completing the required forms and applications.

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, April 17 at the Fire Training Center at 8 PM. This is also the Valor Awards Presentations and we would like a large turnout for the meeting to honor the recipients of the Valor Awards.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary