



ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Longport

February 16, 2005

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, February 16, 2005 with President R. Thomas Hunter Jr. presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute. President Hunter then pointed out the exits. The membership was welcomed to Longport by Assistant Chief Bruce Funk who introduced the Mayor and members of City council who extended their welcome and thanks to the firefighters for all they do for their communities. The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present. The minutes of the previous meeting of January 19, 2005 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries. The Report of the Treasurer was approved and accepted as read.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is to be held on Friday, March 4 at 7:30 PM in Pomona. The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Training Academy is to be held on Monday, March 14 at 7 PM at the Training Center.

The Officers reported that the plaque designating Charles Sander as Historian Emeritus of the Firefighters' Association was presented to Mr. Sanders last evening at his home where he is recuperating from his broken hip.

The officers also recommended the purchase of a laptop for the Treasurer and a motion was made, seconded and carried for the Executive Committee to check and report on cost, etc. at the March meeting. The officers also discussed the Memorial Services and the bagpipers participation and recommended a donation of \$200.00 to the Sandpipers for past services and a motion was made, seconded and carried to accept this recommendation. The officers reported that the \$5000.00 received from the Simple Life Productions was deposited in a short term CD.

Director of Training Mike Corbo reported that the Spring 2005 Training Booklets have been distributed and that Firefighter I class starts on Tuesday, February 22 and Firefighter II class starts on March 28. Mike reported that there is to be a Train the Trainer class on SCBA fits test so company instructors can do their own fits tests. Starting in March, live burns will be held the first Wednesday of each month. Class to be held for Level I and II instructors to gain their CEU's. Mike reported that FDIC/EAST is the first week in October, 3 thru 8. The flashover Simulator is to arrive shortly and will be put together at the training center. Mike reported that the graduation for the 2004 firefighter I classes was held on Monday, February 7 and extended his and the committee's apologies for the mishaps of the evening.

Fire Marshal Whitey Swartz reminded the membership of the Grant Program presentation to be presented by Congressman LoBiondo in Vineland on Saturday. Whitey read off the list of county fire companies that have not submitted their fire reports to him. Whitey reported that forms have been forwarded for recommendations for Valor Awards and requested forms to be returned by the end of the month. Whitey reported that Fire Prevention is October 9 thru 15

DATE CLEARING

Sunday	March 6	Atlantic City	Cape/Atlantic 200 Club Memorial & Breakfast at Ballys	
Wednesday	March 16	Folsom	Firefighters' Assn. Meeting	8 PM
Thursday	March 31	Minotola	Fire Chiefs' Assn. Meeting	8 PM
Friday	April 8	Somers Point	Firefighters Assn. Dinner at Crab Trap Restaurant	
Saturday	April 9	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	April 16	Cologne	Comedy Night-Dinner and Show Info/Res 965-5193	
Wednesday	April 20	Training Center	Firefighters' Association Meeting & Valor Awards	8 PM
Saturday	May 7	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 - 7:30 PM
Wednesday	May 18	Germania	Firefighters' Assn. Meeting	8 PM
Thursday	May 19	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic County Relief Associations Book Exam	
Tuesday	May 31	Northfield	Fire Chiefs' Assn. Meeting	8 PM
	May	Nesco	Housing date and time to be announced	
Saturday	June 4	Cologne	Chicken Bar-be-Cue, etc.	1 to 7 PM
Sunday	June 5	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc	12 to 6 PM
Saturday	July 9	Egg Harbor City	Parade....	
Tuesday	Aug. 16	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co. Caucus 2005 Firemen's Convention	
Fri & Sat	Sept 16 & 17	Wildwood	New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Oct. 1	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 - 7:30 PM
Saturday	Oct. 8	Absecon	Housing	
Monday - Saturday	Oct. 3 thru 8		FDIC/EAST	
Saturday	November 5	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	March 13- April 10 May 8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon

A request was made if date clearing could be put on the website and the secretary was instructed to contact Webmaster Kurt Umscheid to see if this could be accomplished.

Howard Guenther reminded the membership of the Cape/Atlantic 200 Club Memorial and Breakfast on Sunday March 6 and if planning to attend to get requests for tickets in. Howard also reminded the members of the Firefighters' Association dinner on April 8 at the Crab Trap in Somers Point.

Ed Vincent reported that the Chiefs' Association has formed a committee with Oscar Dutch as chairman to go over the radio policy for the County as well as attempting to get EMS off of the Fire frequency. Ed also reported that District 25 is to be dispatched by the County Sheriff's department and to begin around March 1.

Dennis Sharpe reported on the activities of the photographers group for the past month.

The President is to appoint a committee to go over the By-Laws of the Association.

The Firefighters' Association has received a Business Registration Certificate from the State of New Jersey.

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

The New Jersey Disaster Critical Incident Stress Response Team Program is to be presented at the March 16th meeting in Folsom. We desire to have a good turnout for this very informative presentation.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday, February 16th, at 8 PM in Longport.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary