



ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

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March 16, 2005

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, March 16, 2005 with President R. Thomas Hunter Jr. presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute. President Hunter then pointed out the exits. Howard Berchtold led the membership in prayer in remembrance of our deceased members and Past Chief James Habermehl of Farmington and Officer McMeekin of the Atlantic City Police Department. The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present. The minutes of the previous meeting of February 16, 2005 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 Executive Committee meeting held on Friday, March 4 were read as well as the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Training Academy held on Monday, March 14.

The Executive Committee recommended the purchase of a laptop for the Treasurer and a motion was made, seconded and carried to purchase the laptop with the price not to exceed \$700.00

Director of Training Mike Corbo reported that the Spring 2005 Training Classes are going along good and that there are 42 trainees enrolled in Firefighter I and that enrollment for other classes are starting to fill up. The Firefighter II class is to start on Monday, March 28. Graduation ceremonies for the Firefighter I class are to be held at the Training Center on Monday, June 27 at 7 PM. Mike reported that there are to be several Train the Trainer classes on SCBA fits test so company instructors can do their own fits tests. Live burns will be held the first Wednesday of each month. Class to be held for Level 1 and II instructors to gain their CEU's. Mike reported that FDIC/EAST is the first week in October 3 thru 8, 2005 and that the FDIC/EAST in 2006 will be held in June. The flashover simulator is to arrive shortly and will be put together at the training center and a concrete pad is to be put in place before it arrives. Ed Vincent is to compile a list of materials needed to construct a platform for the confined space trainer. We now have the title to the old Pleasantville truck that was donated by Campbell Supply and will dispose of it. Several of the Fire Academy instructors have been removed due to being inactive and three applicants have been interviewed and added and there are now 30 instructors. Starting a database for records of trainees.

A storage problem exists at the training center and the county is to erect a building in rear of center for storage as well as putting some of the vehicles in it. County to supply 10 SCBA's for the Academy as well as getting quotes for turnout gear, etc, which they will supply as well.

Fire Marshal Whitey Swartz reported that he has received 8 nominees for the Valor Awards and the committee is to meet Monday evening to go over the incidents and make their choices for awards which will be presented at the next meeting of the Association on April 20. Whitey also requested companies to get the winners of the fire prevention posters to him for county judging.

"In Union For The Safety Of All"

DATE CLEARING

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' Assn. 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
Saturday	May 7	Nesco	Parade and Housing	11 AM
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 for 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	Oct 31	Elwood	Golf Tournament	8:30 AM
Saturday	Nov 5	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM

Sunday	Apr 10 May 8 June 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
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Howard Guenther reminded the membership of the Firefighters' Association dinner on April 8 at the Crab Trap in Somers Point and if planning to attend to advise him and the choice of entrée by March 30. Howard also reported on the March 6 Cape/Atlantic 200 Club Memorial Breakfast and that there were 730 in attendance. We need uniform patches for the memorial roll call from the following: Bayview, Germania, Mizpah, Oceanville, Pleasantville. Give them to Howard and they will be returned after scanning with the firefighters' picture.

Oscar Dutch reported on the New Jersey Firemen's Home and that they are making application to convert some of residential rooms into long term care rooms. Oscar also reported on the radio policy committee and they compiled recommendations which they are to present at the Chiefs' Association meeting on March 31 in Minotola. Oscar also stated they are looking into a grant which may be used for centralized county dispatch. Oscar reported that District 25 is now being dispatched by the County Sheriff's Department.

Mike Parameter of the New Jersey State Police made a presentation of the New Jersey Disaster Critical Incident Stress Response Team program which was very interesting and informative.

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 next scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 20 at the Training Center at 8 PM.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary