



ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Germania

May 18, 2005

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, May 18, 2005 with President R. Thomas Hunter Jr. presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation by Reverend Thomas Sweeney, Chaplain of the Association. President Hunter then pointed out the exits. The membership was welcomed to Germania and Galloway Township by Assistant Chief Clyde Stockton Jr.

A brief Memorial Service was held for Historian Emeritus Charles Sander by Reverend Thomas Sweeney assisted by Howard Berchtold Jr.

The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present. The minutes of the previous meeting of April 20, 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, May 6, 2005 were read with several items to be taken up under new business. The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Training Academy held on Monday, May 9, 2005 were read.

Director of Training Mike Corbo reported on training courses being presented during the Spring 2005 semester. Mike reported that a pad approximately 12 by 40 is to be poured for placement of the flashover simulator. Mike also reported that both classroom 1 and 4 have video and electronics installed in them and that classrooms 2 and 3 remain to be completed at a later date. Mike reported that Firefighter I graduation is to be held at the training center on Monday, June 27 at 7:00 PM. Mike requested all companies to let him know how many firefighters are still in need of I-200 and if need warrants to set up another class.

Fire Marshal Whitey Swartz reported that there was a good turnout for the Valor Awards presentations at the last meeting and it was well received by the public and firefighters in attendance. Whitey reported on the Fire Prevention Poster contest and that 5 winners from the County were forwarded for judging on the State level. Whitey also reported that he is to set up a meeting with the 200 Club in regard to the Fallen Heroes Memorial.

Fire Coordinator Ed Vincent reported that the new field communications unit should be delivered in June. Ed also reported that District 25 communications are now being dispatched by the County Sheriff's dispatch center. Ed requested that when any company has any updates to be made in the mutual aid book to get them into him promptly. Ed is to get mutual aid agreements from all municipalities of the County. Ed brought the membership up to date on several items of interest. Ed will be forwarding a monthly report on fire coordinators' and field communications activities which will go out with the minutes and if anyone has questions in regard to the report to bring them up at the next county meeting or contact him directly.

The Executive Committee recommended the purchase of 500 shoulder patches for the Fire Training Academy and a motion was made, seconded and carried to make the purchase. The committee also reported they hope to dispose of the old fire truck by the June meeting.

"In Union For The Safety Of All"

The 4-11 Committee reported that the fair is to be held on August 11-12-13 this year and they are starting to make plans and will give a report at a future meeting

Oscar Dutch reported that the New Jersey Firemen's Home is to convert several residential units into long term care units. Oscar also reported that a South Jersey Home is still being taken under advisement. Oscar also reported on the Radio Policy Committee and that some of the problems that were being experienced with communications are starting to get corrected

Howard Guenther reported on several pieces of proposed legislation of interest to the fire service.

Division of Fire Safety Southern Region Coordinators Mike Gallagher and Joe Lehman spoke on the role of the Division and what resources they have to offer and will provide assistance as requested. Their presentation was very informational and they answered many questions.

DATE CLEARING

Tuesday	May 31	Northfield	Fire Chiefs' Assn Meeting	8 PM
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
Wednesday	June 15	Richland	Firefighters' Assn Meeting	8 PM
Thursday	June 16	Egg Harbor City	Death Benefit Trustees' Meeting	8 PM
Saturday	June 18	Weymouth	Yard Sale	8 AM to 3 PM
Monday	June 27	Training Center	Firefighter 1 Graduation	7 PM
Saturday	July 9	Egg Harbor City	Parade	
Saturday	July 16	Estell Manor	Sub Sale	11 AM to 2 PM
Sunday	July 17	Weymouth	Breakfast	7 AM to noon
Tuesday	Aug 16	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co. Caucus for 2005 Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept 10	Weekstown	Pig Roast	3:30 to 7 PM
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	June 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to
	July 10			12 noon
	Aug 14			

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

The next meeting of the Firefighters' Association is to be held on Wednesday, June 15 at the Richland Firehouse at 8 PM.

Attested
 Howard R. Guenther
 Secretary