



# LEBANON COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION

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Bellegrove Fire Company – 17 May 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Lebanon County Firefighter's Association was called to order at 19:30 hours with President Paul Snyder presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by the singing of the first verse of America. The invocation was offered by Ron Miller.

President Snyder appointed Mike Light and Robert Kreiser as Sergeants At Arms.

The Address of Welcome was provided by Mark Blauch, Fire Chief, and the Response offered by Carl Bachman.

A roll call of officers and delegates was followed by the reading of the minutes from the previous meetings which were corrected and approved as corrected.

## Officer's Reports

- President: Paul Snyder – President Snyder reported that Karen Baxter of First Energy / Met Ed had contacted him with information of the Safety Trailer demonstration on June 23 at the Lebanon Service Center.
- Vice Presidents:
  - 1st VP: David Hull – VP Hull noted that he had been contacted by the American Red Cross and had scheduled a presentation for the July meeting. He also reported that he continues looking for committee members for next year's committees.
  - 2nd VP: Jason Weikel - No report
  - 3rd VP: Richard Kreitzer – No report
  - 4th VP: Frank Ceresini, III - No report
- Recording Secretary: No report
- Financial Secretary: Randolph Simmon reported a membership at 116 Beneficial, 27 Non-Beneficial and 295 life members for a total of 438. He also reported 33 members have none payment status. His written report was submitted for these minutes.
- Treasurer: Richard Bleistine presented the Treasurer's report for May. The report was accepted subject to audit on a motion by Jason Weikel and seconded by Frank Ceresini, III. His written report was submitted for these minutes.
- Trustees: No report
- Fire Marshal: Fire Marshal Michael Tribioli reported 3 investigations for April: 1 Accidental Structure Fire, 1 Undetermined Structure Fire and 1 Incendiary Structure Fire and submitted a written report for these minutes

## Committee Reports

- Executive Committee: Frank Ceresini, III, reported that the Executive Committee met on April 26 at the Cleona Fire Company. The next scheduled meeting is at May 23 at President Snyder's resident at 18:30 hours.
- Fire Education: No report
- Auditing: No report
- Publicity: No report
- Memorial: Ron Miller reported that the Memorial Committee will meet on May 11 with Quentin UCC Church leaders to plan the Memorial Service for this year's convention.
- Membership: No report



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- Entertainment: The Entertainment Committee presented \$66.00 to the treasury from the 50/50 drawing of the evening and made 4 prize drawings.
- Chiefs: No report
- Fire Training, Facilities & Equipment: Charles Killian reported the following:
  - Essentials classes are in progress
  - Ladder testing is complete with all ladders passing after a few repairs
  - The ladders approved at last month's meeting have been ordered
  - A Classroom Renovation project update
  - Compressor was tested and certified
- Awards: Frank Ceresini, III, reported that the Awards Committee met May 1 to select award winners from nominations.
- Nominating: Robert Meyer announced that Larry Stohler has withdrawn his name for the position of Assistant Treasurer and that Larry Helmuth has withdrawn his name for Recording Secretary to accept the nomination as Treasurer. Meyer did continue by nominating Larry Helmuth as Treasurer. President Snyder opened the floor for any additional nominations of Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Assistant Treasurer but none were offered.

## **Special Committee reports**

- Smokies: The Smokies will meet June 17 at 9:00 pm at the Quentin Fire Company.
- Foam: No report
- Website: Detailed information regarding the Met-Ed Safety Trailer will be posted on the website.
- Honor Guard: The Honor Guard will now not march in Lebanon's Memorial Day Parade.
- By-Laws Committee: David Hull reported that our name on the legal filed corporation papers with the State of Pennsylvania should be amended to reflect the Association's new name of Firefighter's Association instead of the original filed Firemen's Association
- Convention Committee: Ed Treat reported on the final preparations of this year's convention.

## **Delegate's Reports**

- Firemen's Association State of Pennsylvania: No report
- Southeastern Firemen's Association: No report
- Pennsylvania Fire & Emergency Services Institute: No report

## **Unfinished Business**

Treasurer Bleistine reported that a new account Edward Jones investments cannot be set up until we have obtained legal nonprofit status.

## **New Business**

On a motion by Frank Ceresini, III, seconded by Jason Weikel, the Association voted to purchase online storage for data backup from Cubby for a cost of \$380.00. The backup plan includes backup for 5 officers in the Association.

The proposed changes in the Constitution and By-Laws raising the minimum age of membership to 18 was moved off the table on a motion by Michael Tribioli, seconded by Charles Killian and presented for a vote. The proposed changes were defeated on a vote of 3 yes, 24 no.

Michael Tribioli moved that the issue of mandated child abuse clearances for members of the Association be referred to the Associations' solicitor. The motion failed on a lack of a second.



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David Hull moved, seconded by Randy Lebo, that our name on the legal filed corporation papers with the State of Pennsylvania be changed to reflect the Association's new name of Firefighter's Association instead of the original filed Firemen's Association. Motion passed.

On a motion by Frank Ceresini, III, seconded by Charles Killian, the nomination for officers were closed expect for the unfilled Recording Secretary and Assistant Treasurer.

On a motion by Ed Treat, seconded by Robert Meyer, the Recording Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for next year's officers in that none were contested.

On a motion by Randy Lebo, seconded by Barry Batz, the following bills shall be paid:

GrayBar	\$ 182.60	Fire School Classroom Project
Met-Ed	\$ 31.66	Fire School Electric
Lowes	\$ 433.35	Fire School Classroom Project
HACC	\$ 360.00	Fire School
Charles Killian	\$ 100.00	Burn Facilitator
KLR Fire Services	\$ 667.04	Ladder Inspections

## Roll Call of Companies & Past Presidents

There were 31 members with 11 past presidents representing 19 companies in attendance

## Announcement of Next Meeting Place

The next regular meeting will be the Annual Convention, June 18, 2016, at Quentin United Church of Christ hosted by the Quentin Volunteer Fire Company at 9:00 hours. The Memorial service will also be at Quentin United Church of Christ on June 17, 2016, at 19:00 hours.

## Good of the Association

Charles Killian noted that he along with President Snyder and Secretary Helmuth had made a presentation of thanks to Lebanon County Career and Technical Center's Joint Operating Committee that evening and presented a token of our appreciation for their cooperation and services in the classroom renovation.

## Adjournment

On a motion by Jason Weikel and a seconded by Michael Tribioli, the meeting was adjourned until the 18<sup>th</sup> of June, 2016.

The Association rose with a vote of thanks to the host, Bellegrove Fire Company.

Larry Helmuth  
Recording Secretary