

# LEBANON COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION

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Bunkerhill Fire Company 21 June 2025

The annual meeting of the Lebanon County Firefighter's Association was called to order at 0900 hours with President Steve Yeagley presiding. President Yeagley appointed Charley Vandosa and Ed Bolles as Sergeants at Arms. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by the singing of the first verse of <u>America</u>. The Invocation was offered by Chaplin Chris Light. The Address of Welcome was provided by Rick Kreitzer and the Response offered by Frank Ceresini.

A roll call of officers and delegates was held, followed by the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting which were approved as read.

### Officer's Reports

- President Yeagley- No report.
- Vice Presidents:

1st VP Ceresini: No report. 2nd VP Lyons: No report.

- Recording Secretary Marks: No Report
- Financial Secretary: Simmon: As of 31 May 2025, there are 94 Beneficial, 29 Non-Beneficial, 254 Life members, 17 Non-Beneficial Life members, 29 New Members, 394 Total members, 44 Unpaid members, 3 deaths, Death liability \$69,600.
- Treasurer Ditzler: read her monthly report, submitting the same for these minutes. On a motion by Brian Vragovich and seconded by Bill Kale that the report given by the treasurer be accepted, subject to audit.
- Trustees:
  - o Weikel: No report
  - o Dulac-
    - Maze door parts have been picked up.
    - Concrete work around hydrant to be started end of June.
  - Stohler- No report
  - o Spencer- No report.
  - o Hull reported:
    - Inventory of the safe has been completed, report submitted for these minutes.
    - Reported that vehicles have been parking on the grass between the tower and maze. No vehicles should be parking on the grass at any parts around the training facility.
- Fire Marshal: Trooper Herb read his monthly report, submitting the same for these minutes. .

#### **Committee Reports**

- Executive: Next meeting 24 June 2025, 1900 @ Fire School.
- Auditing: Audit to be done 21 July at 1900
- Publicity: No report
- Memorial: Pastor Chris reported that the memorial service went well and all involved did a great job.
- Membership: 3 New members for membership.
- Entertainment: \$75 submitted to the general account, \$25 donation.
- Chiefs: No Report.
- Nominating: No report.
- Fire Training, Facilities & Equipment: Jay Rhoads reported:
  - o Essential training done- No June class
  - o Burn building inspection in July
  - Matt Marks submitted state grant
  - o Jay Rhoads turned all his keys into Association president.



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\*\*A 10-minute recess was taken\*\*

- Awards: The Awards Committee presented the yearly awards to the following recipients:
  - o County Firefighters Association Attendance award presented to: Persy Jonestown
  - o Firefighter of the Year award presented to: Christopher McCullough- Palmyra
  - o Frank Ceresini Chemical award presented to: Stan Smith Sr-Neptune.
  - o Russell Aulenbach award presented to: Trooper Jansen Herb
  - o Emergency Services award presented to: Joe Shay- Mt. Gretna
  - o Eugene Moore Fire Chief of the year award presented to: Edgar Berkhimer- Palmyra
- By-laws: No report

### **Special Committee Reports**

- Website/social media: Being updated as needed
- Honor Guard: 4 present for the memorial service, thank you to Stacey Marks for filling in as the 4<sup>th</sup> person
- Convention Committee: Dave Hull thanked everyone for their participation for the memorial service and the members of Bunkerhill Fire Department for hosting the 103<sup>rd</sup> Convention and business meeting.
- Leb. Co. Department of Emergency Services: No report

#### **Delegate's Reports**

- Firefighters Association, State of Pennsylvania: Upcoming meeting 11, 12 July 2025- King of Prussia
- Pennsylvania Fire & Emergency Services Representative No report

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Installation of officers: Trooper Jansen Herb swore in the newly elected officers.

Trooper Herb also swore in the newly elected Association President-Frank Ceresini.

Association President Frank Ceresini presented past president Stevey Yeagley with the past President pin.

Convention Speaker-Trooper Jansen Herb & Boonie Loy- Chairman of the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of America Committee, large event to be held at the Lebanon Expo Center on 4 July 2026.

#### **New Business**

Motion made by Lee Spencer to accept a letter from the Mt. Gretna Volunteer Fire Company on their plans to host the 2026 Convention. Motion seconded by Dave Hull.

Motion made by Steve Yeagley for Stacey Marks to go to 911 Rapid Response and be fitted for an honor guard uniform. Cost not to exceed \$900. Motion seconded by Bill Kale.

Motion made by Serena Ditzler for the Association to have a square or Venmo account for electronic payments. Tabled till executive officers meeting.

Motion made by Randy to accept the 3 new members into membership. Motion seconded by Matt Marks.

Motion made by Randy Simmon to pay the death benefits of Robert Umberger and Dennis Copenhaver. Motion seconded by Dave Hull.

On a motion by Lee Spencer and seconded by Eric Dulac, the following bills shall be paid:

KB Welding	\$413.80	Door
Graybill Carting	\$50.00	Garbage
JDM Office Supplies	\$83.53	Supplies for awards
Met-Ed	\$13.39	Electric
USPS	\$210.00	Post office box fee
Pits Truck Repair	\$284.48	Yearly Inspection- PT
Tyler Welsh- Fisher	\$120.00	Burn Tech 8 hours
Andrew Becker	\$120.00	Burn Tech 8 hours
Matt Berfield	\$60.00	Burn Tech 4 hours



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Dennis Martin	\$60.00	Burn Tech 4 hours
Ashley Norton	\$90.00	EMT 6 hours
Tom Scholl	\$90.00	EMT 6 hours
Serena Ditzler	\$60.00	EMT 4 hours
Stacey Marks	\$75.00	Secretary gift
Randy Simmon	\$75.00	Financial Secretary gift
Serena Ditzler	\$75.00	Treasurer gift

### **Roll Call of Companies & Past Presidents**

There were 43 members, 11 past presidents, and 3 guests representing 15 companies in attendance.

## **Announcement of Next Meeting Place:**

The next regular meeting will be at Goodwill Station 30- Myerstown on 15 July 2025 at 1930 hrs. **Good of the Association:** Update on Ron Miller presented, Pastor Chris offered a prayer on continuation of Ron's healing.

#### Adjournment

On a motion by Dave Hull and seconded by Bill Kale, the monthly meeting was adjourned until 15 July 2025.

The Association rose with a vote of thanks.

Respectfully submitted:

Stacey L. Marks, Recording Secretary