

**Columbia County Volunteer Fire Chief's Association**  
**General meeting** **July 19, 2011**

Meeting called to order by **President: Ted Beck**

Tri-Village Fire Chief, Ed Knott welcomed the members.

**Motion by Bill Hunt/George Huston to accept the reading of the minutes of the previous General Meeting – Carried**

**The minutes of the previous BOD Meeting were read for informational purposes only.**

**Motion by Bill Hunt/Wally Engel to accept the Treasurer's Report as read by Russ Wheeler – Carried.**

**A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.**

**No Advisory Board minutes have been received to date.**

**Coordinators Report:**

**Jim introduced Foster Haedtscheimer a guest and Past President.**

**Jim expressed his thanks to all those involved at the Chatham and Niverville fires.**

**He is training people to complete the information for the I D Tags**

**Guest Speaker: Bob Jewell of OFPC and Round Lake Fire Dept gave a informative presentation on responding to and recognizing Chemical Suicide.**

**Clothing Fun:**

**Per Jim 14 people were assisted in relationship to the fires in Chatham and Niverville.**

**Cause & Origin: Bill stated there have been 9 incidents.**

**Fire Safety & Prevention:**

**Mark presented information on purchasing Smoke & CO Detectors and a new Sparky outfit.**

**A motion by Bill Hunt/George Hoover to purchase batteries for the detectors for the fair (14/0 carried).**

**A motion by Wally Engel/Jose Ortiz to purchase a new Sparky outfit carried.**

**Aug. 13 Sat. 9:00 am there will be a work detail at the fair booth.**

**The trailer will be at the fair Aug. 30 - Sept. 6.**

**Legislative & Judiciary:**

**Hudson Mohawk Association will be holding an informational meeting concerning 2% Money.**

**Education & Training:**

**Sun Dog Solar will be at the next General meeting in Clermont discussing Safety and Solar Panels in relationship to the fire scene.**

**Grants:** Greene County Bank has okayed their grant to us.

**Bills:** There was no bill from the Tri-Village Fire Co for refreshments.  
A motion by Bill Hunt/George Huston we pay the bills - carried.

**Communications:**

A letter received from Paul D'Onofrio for support in his bid for Columbia County Coordinator. Motion to keep the letter on file Ed Goldfrank/Bill Hunt carried.  
Motion Wally Engel/Dick Howard the secretary sent letters in support of Jim Van Deuesen to continue as Columbia County Coordinator be sent to Columbia County Board of Supervisors and Columbia County Public Safety Committee carried.

**Old Business:** Bill Hunt reminded everyone of the success of J-Fire.

**New Business:**

There will be a Raffle during the fair.  
Reminder of the Firefighters' Memorial Oct 14<sup>th</sup>.

Jim Brady of Mellenvile won the 50/50

**Announcements:**

The next Board of Directors meeting will be August 16, at the Valkin  
The next General meeting will be September 20<sup>th</sup>. at Clermont Fire Sta. #2

Bill Hunt/George Hoover motion to adjourn - Carried.

Secretary,  
Irene Huston