

Columbia County Volunteer Fire Chiefs Association
General meeting **November 15, 2011**

Meeting called to order by President: Ted Beck

Stuyvesant Falls Assistant Fire Chief, Ben Webster welcomed the members and introduces a guest Ann Leiser-Hamilton.

Motion to accept the reading of the minutes of the previous General Meeting Dave Goold/ Jose Ortiz – Carried

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

Russ Wheeler expressed his sincere appreciation to all those who sent get well wishes to his wife.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read by Russ Wheeler Ed Goldfrank/Mark Sheline – Carried.

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

Constitution & By-laws: Ted would like these updated in the future to correspond with the needs of the organization.

Clothing Fund: There were 3 incidents (Clermont, Philmont, & West Ghent).

Haz-Mat: Is always looking for new members.

C&O: Clermont incident was early the day of this meeting.

Ed Goldfrank reported on the "In service training opportunity" at Montour Falls.

Fire Safety & Prevention: Dave Goold reported on the participation in Stuyvesant Falls and Niverville. Jose Ortiz reported on the large Dalmatian Day participation and that they can always use help.

Legislative & Judiciary: FASNY has received a grant for college education of its members and other persons of the county. If you are interested in returning to college in any career.

Sunshine Fund: Dues are payable as of this meeting for the next year.

A motion that the secretary will send a card to Wally Engel due to the loss of his grandmother George Huston/Bill Hunt - Carried.

CCVFFA: A new director has been elected from Taconic and the budget has been passed.

Grants: Mark Sheline informed us that we have received another year's extension on our grant.

Bills: A motion to pay the bills Ed Goldfrank/Ben Webster - Carried.
Stuyvesant Falls has donated the refreshment money to the Sunshine Fund.

Communications: A letter has been received from Rogers Hose to purchase an ad in the upcoming annual yearbook.

A motion to purchase a half page ad Dave Goold/Ben Webster - Carried.

Anita Crosby sent a thank you note of her appreciation for the clothing voucher.

Old Business: Ted will send out the new list of meeting dates and places for 2012.

Coordinators Report:

Jim gave a report on additional paper work expected on the tower and the up coming classes.

Roger Schofield is the new Field Representative.

New Business:

Ted Beck present the slate of officer. A motion by Bill Hunt/Vern Higgins to continue with the current officers.

President - Ted Beck

1st. Vice President - Mark Sheline

2nd. Vice President - Tom Rector

Treasurer - Russ Wheeler

Secretary (to be appointed at the next Directors meeting)

Directors - George Huston, Ed Goldfrank, Mike Briscoe, Jose Ortiz, & Wally Engel

There were no nominations from the floor.

The Secretary cast one ballot for the election of the officers as read - Carried.

Ted Beck reported that both Jim Briscoe and Matt Larabee names have been submitted to the advisory board for re-appointment.

Mark Sheline has the report on 2% money if anyone would like a copy let him know.

Announcements: Dave Goold says Tri-Village has a working Single Phase Siren if anyone is interested please contact Dave.

Ben Webster won the 50/50.

Next BOD meeting December 20 at the Valkin.

Next General meeting January 17, Ghent Fire House.

Motion to adjourn Jose Ortiz/Vern Higgins - Carried.

Secretary,
Irene Huston