

Columbia County Fire Chiefs' Association  
Directors Meeting was held May 19, 2020 at 19:15  
Due to the situations surrounding the Corona Virus.

The meeting was brought to order by the Chairman, Gregg Gilliland.

Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes of February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020,  
Bill Hunt/Bob Adriance – Carried.

The minutes of the January general meeting were read for informational purposes.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was read by Gregg Gilliland, it was incomplete at this time.

A copy of the report will be submitted as soon as it is available.

Coordinator's Report: Provided by George Keeler is attached to these minutes.  
James Schermerhorn, Jr is the new Deputy Coordinator

Safety Trailer: Per Dick Howard one of the fans is not working.

Fair: The Annual convention has been cancelled. The Fair Board will be making their decision by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Scholarship: Wally Engel will meet with Kayley Gier the recipient of the scholarship and present her with a check for \$500.

Training & Education: Daryl Garafalo suggested when training resumes we invite the Sheriffs' Office to give a demonstration on drones.

Sunshine Fund: Flowers were sent to the family of George Huston.

Clothing Fund: 18 People were presented with gift cards due to the Allen Street fire in Hudson, totaling \$1,350. An additional 3 persons may need assistance due to Thursday's fire in Philmont. Also, the vouchers handed out at the incident in Livingston were never used and there was a 90 day time limit on them.

Communications: We received \$1,500 from CCVFA toward the Clothing Fund.  
A donation of \$50 in memory of George Huston was received from Pat & Justin Carl.  
A list of any other donations will be made available for the secretary.

Old Business:

We are now utilizing Wal-Mart Gift Cards instead of the voucher system.

There was a review of the situation with Walmart (e-mails are attached).

A discussion was held concerning the issue with not having a treasurer, the signing of checks and that Russ is the only person who can sign checks for the Burned-Out-Victims-Fund.

A suggestion was made to change banks. Gregg Gilliland will approach Green County Bank.

It will remain our policy to require two signatures on all checks.

The resolution that authorizes the Chairman the power to sign checks, when or if one of the signers is unavailable or incapable and time is a factor will be presented at the next general meeting.

Gregg stated that the CDs that come due in Oct & Nov, will remain in the Berkshire Bank until that time.

What to do about acquiring a Treasurer is ongoing.

New Business:

Wally Engel reported that the 2019 Tax information was delivered to the accountant on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

There was a review of when the insurance and registrations come due.

Wally will ask Laura Foster to inquire about a plaque possibly on a stand or monument for the training tower in memory of Jim Van Deusen. The cost of a bronze plaque is \$525.

Wally stated that hats, t-shirts, sweatshirts, etc. with an embroidered Chiefs' insignia are available through the association.

Bills: Gift Cards dispersed \$1,350.

Additional Gift Cards available for dispersement \$1,425.

Flowers for Huston family, Helmet fronts for Russ Wheeler & Bill Williams, and Embroidered vest for Russ.

Motion to pay the bills Bob Adriance/Bill Hunt – Carried.

Next General meeting is not scheduled at this time.

Next Directors' meeting is not scheduled at this time.

Motion to Adjourn: Dick Howard/Wally Engel – Carried.

21:12

Secretary,  
Irene Huston