

QUARTERLY MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2020  
STUYVESANT FALLS FIRE COMPANY # 2

Meeting called to order @ 19:30 by Chairman of the Board Kyle Wilber  
Invocation was given by Chaplain Herrick  
Chairman of the Board lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome by the President of the Stuyvesant Fall Fire Company Mike Bortugno

Roll Call of Officers, directors, Past President and Past Officers by the Recording Secretary

1 <sup>st</sup> VP Trowbridge, Tim	Past Pres Foster, Laura
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP Ostrander, Larry	Past Pres Montie, Steve
Chairman Wilber, Kyle	Past President Chapman, Dave
Director O'Neil, TJ	Past Pres Haigh, Craig
Director Layman, Michael	Past Pres Blaauw, John
Director Grimes, Gary Jr.	Past Pres Browning, Eugene
Rec Sec Foster, Foster, Laura	Past Pres Bonifacio, Dominic
Treasurer Snow, Edward	Past Pres Butterworth, Wayne
Chaplin Herrick, Dan	Past Rec Sec Brady, James
Past Pres French, Jeff	Past Rec Sec French, Jeff

Roll Call of Companies:

SW Smith, Chatham	2	Columbia County Fire Police	2
Germantown	3	Red Knights Chapter # 29	2
Ghent	3		
Greenport St # 1	2		
Greenport St # 2	2		
Greenport St # 3	2		
HW Rogers Hose	1		
Lebanon Valley	2		
Mellenville	3		
Niverville	1		
Philmont	7		
Red Rock	1		
Stuyvesant	4		
Stuyvesant Falls	8		
Valatie	1		

Due to the Cancellation of the Our Annual Convention in July of 2020, Election of President for 2021 will now take place:

Chairman of the Board Kyle Wilber read Letter from the Stuyvesant Falls Fire Company # 2 Endorsing Timothy Trowbridge for the Office of President.

Chairman Wilber then recognized Danial Bopp for the Nomation of President Seconded by Richard Dick Frick

There were no more nomation for President, a motion was made by Michael Layman to close the Nomations and have the Secretary Cast One Ballot for President, seconded by Paul McCagg, all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

At this time CCVFA Past President Dave Chapman Swore Newly Elected President Trowbridge into Office.

Chairman of the Board Wilber then passed the Gavel to President Trowbridge who processed with the Meeting.

Minutes from the last Meeting, May 13<sup>th</sup> 2020 Zoom Director's were read by Recording Secretary Laura Foster and a Motion was made to accept by Gary Grimes Jr, Seconded by Michael Layman. All in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

President announced there will be no Red Hat passing due to COVID however the Hats will be in the back at the end of the meeting for those wishing to contribute.

**Annual Convention Reports:**

**Annual Audit Report** – No Report not done due to Covid

**Hudson Valley** Report was given by Barbara Fischer, updated us on New Officers, Looking for Updated Emails.

**Hudson Mohawk** Report Dave Chapman stated there was no Convention looking to have a meeting in October. Barbara Fischer also maintains the Website for Hudson Mohawk, please send any information to her to get on the Website.

**Board of Directors** Annual Report was given by Kyle Wilber Gave the highlights of what has been an interesting year with no Convention. Report is attached to these minutes.

**Treasurer's Report** given by Treasurer Ed Snow and a motion was made to accept by John Onufrychuk Jr., seconded by Paul McCagg, all in favor and none opposed so carried.

**Financial Secretary** No report due to absence

## **Correspondence:**

Received Notice for HVVFA Meeting to be July 25, 2020

Received Invite for HVVFA Past President Dinner for Jack Delaney will be held January 23, 2021 at the Best Western Hotel in Kingston. Also looking for Ad for Dinner Journal

Received from Nassau County presenting Walter R. Frame for Trustee of the Firemen's Home

Received Elect Santo Chan Rivera for FASNY 2<sup>nd</sup> President on August 8<sup>th</sup> at the Albany Hilton Hotel

Received FASNY Registration for Annual Meeting August 8<sup>th</sup> at the Albany Hilton Hotel

Received FASNY The Volunteer Firefighter May/June & July/August magazines

Received Letter from the Philmont Fire Company requesting permission to sell the Yearbook for the 2021 Convention.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Fire Chiefs** - President Wally Engel reported no Safety Trailer for the rest of the Year and the next Meeting is September 15 at West Ghent Firehouse

**County Ladies Auxiliary** - Barbara Fischer reported new President Deb Pulver

**Coordinators report** - Via Telephone CC 1 George Keeler gave us update on recent calls in the County and New Training Center. Center is open and classes have resumed Report is attached to these Minutes

**Fire Advisor Board** - Next Meeting is October 21<sup>st</sup> all other meetings were cancelled.

**County Fire Police** - Meeting September 10<sup>th</sup> at Stuyvesant Firehouse

**By Laws**- no report

**Fund Raising** - The Steak Raffle did not happen since no Convention. Not all tickets have been handed out. Plan it to mail remaining tickets. Proposed new date of Raffle drawing will be January 13, 2021 at the Quarterly Meeting.

**Legislative Committee** - Dave Chapman will update us as not too much is happening due to the shutdown due to Covid.

**Firefighter of the Year/Lifetime Achievement** 3 Applications were received no action taken due to no Convention.

**2020 Yearbook** - Tim Trowbridge gave report on yearbook, not what was expected but due to COVID ad sales were down. 350 books were printed, they are available tonight and will be passed out throughout Companies in the County. Report attached to these Minutes.

**CCVFA Website** - Frank Bevins is not here but send him information to add to website

**2021 Convention** - Parade Chairman not in attendance tonight but all is in the works most Parade event will take place at the VFW as previous Conventions here.

**Membership** - No report

**Publicity** - No report

**Red Knights** - Christmas In September is this Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>

**Scholarship** - Applications will be Due January 11<sup>th</sup>

**Committee Reports cont.**

**Historian** - Jeff French brought us back to years ago when Stuyvesant Falls hosted.

**Past President** - No outgoing President for us.

**Annual Holiday Party at the Home** - Unknown what will be protocol to attend

**Recruitment** - James Brady spoke on how Chatham won FASNY award for their Recruitment program.

**Unfinished Business** – Discussion of Company Dues, failure to pay, this should be reviewed by the By-Law Committee.

**New Business –**

Motion was made by Craig Haigh Seconded by Gary Grimes Jr. to pay the Salary of \$ 300.00 each to The Treasurer, Financial Secretary and Recording Secretary. All in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

A motion was made by John Blaauw seconded by Craig Haigh to make our Annual donation of \$ 1000.00 to the Firemen's Home for the Activity department, normally presented at Hudson Valley Day that has been cancelled for this year. All in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

A motion was made by John Onufrychuk Jr., seconded by Kyle Wilber to split the cost with the Columbia County Chief's Association cost of James VanDuesen Tower Memorial Plaque at the New Training Center. Our cost would be \$ 270.00. All in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

Received bill for \$ 105.38 reimbursement to Recording Secretary Laura Foster for office supplies, motion made by Gary Grimes Jr., seconded by Barbara Fischer to pay the bill, all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

Motion was made by Michael Layman, seconded by Kyle Wilber for the Philmont Fire Company to sell the Yearbook as letter requested; all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

Larry Ostrander spoke about increasing attendance, discussion on changing rules suggesting of companies needing to attend meetings to be eligible for trophies. Encouraging more to attend meetings. This to be discussed at the next Director's Meeting.

Brian Ostrander from Philmont inquired on the CCVFA possibly increasing the amount of Convention funds to help offset cost. This will be discussed at the Director's Meeting in October. Members of Philmont will be invited to attend.

Barbara Fischer is Committee member for Explorer Program please have your post reach out to her if your Company has an Explorer Post.

## **Elections of Officers**

Recording Secretary Read the following endorsements letters for Elections

Letter from Philmont Fire Company in support of Larry Ostrander for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Letter from Ghent Fire Company in support of Kyle Wilber for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Letter from Greenport Pumper Company # 3 in support of Edward Snow for Treasurer

Letter from Niverville Fire Department in support of Henry Swartz Jr. for Financial Secretary

Letter from Germantown Hose Co. # 1 in support of Laura Foster for Recording Secretary

A Nomination was made by Brian Ostrander, Seconded by John Blaauw for Larry Ostrander for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, there were no other nomination and a motion was made by Michael Layman to close the Nomination's and for the secretary to cast one ballot for Larry Ostrander, seconded by Paul McCagg, all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

A Nomination was made by Chris Breenan, seconded by Wally Engel for Kyle Wilber for 2<sup>st</sup> Vice President, there were no other nominations and a motion was made by Michael Layman to close the Nomination's and for the Secretary to cast one ballot for Kyle Wilber, seconded by Paul McCagg, all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

A Nomination was made by John Onufrychuk Jr, seconded by Chris Pierro for Edward Snow for Treasurer, there were no other nominations and a motion was made by Michael Layman to close the Nomination's and for the Secretary to cast one ballot for Edward Snow, seconded by Paul McCagg, all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

A Nomination was made by Tim Stever, seconded by Craig Haigh for Henry Swartz Jr. for Financial Secretary, there were no other nominations and a motion was made by Michael Layman to close the Nomination's and for the secretary to cast one ballot for Henry Swartz Jr, seconded by Paul McCagg, all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

Frank Bevens was thanked for his years of Service and is Granted Lifetime Membership as serving as Financial Secretary.

A Nomination was made by Michael Lawson, Seconded by Chance Impeatri for Laura Foster for Recording Secretary, there were no other nominations and a motion was made by Dave Chapman to close the Nomination's and for the Treasure to cast one ballot for Laura Foster, seconded by Barbara Fischer, all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

The Secretary then read letters of support from Greenport Pumper # 1, 2 and 3 in support of Mark Taylor of the position of Director for 2027

Discussion was brought to the Floor referring to By-Laws of Greenport hosting a future Convention, due to past history of dropping out of previous commitment. This will be discussed at the next Director's Meeting

A Nomination was made by John Onufrychuk Jr., seconded by Thomas Shumsky for Mark Taylor of the Greenport Fire District for the Director Seat of 2027, also noted to be there 100-year Anniversary no other Nominations for Director so motion was made by Wayne Butterworth, seconded by Paul McCagg all in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

CCVFA Past President Dave Chapman came forward and swore all newly Elected Officers in.

Newly Elected Director Mark Taylor spoke as he is following in his grandfather's footsteps and thanked everyone for his support in taking this position.

**Company Announcements:** Sub night at Greenport, Chicken at Ghent, and Chicken and Ribs at Germantown

Attendance awards based on two Quarterly Meetings go to: 1<sup>st</sup> to Mellenville (33), 2<sup>nd</sup> to Philmont (28), 3<sup>rd</sup> Valatie (18) will be receiving monetary awards.

**Benediction** was given by Chaplin Dan Herrick

Next Meeting will be a Director's Meeting on October 14, here at the Stuyvesant Falls Firehouse.

Past President John Blaauw reminded us Friday is 9/11.

Motion was made Michael Layman, seconded by Paul McCagg to dedicated this meeting and moment of silence in Memory of those loss by Covid 19 especially the front-Line workers.

Motion was made to Adjourn by Mark Taylor seconded by Gary Grimes Jr. at 21:19 All in favor and none opposed; so, carried.

Respectfully Submitted  
Laura Foster, CCVFA Recording Secretary

SPECIAL BORAD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
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At the end of the Quarterly Meeting a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors was held for the purpose of Electing a Chairman of the Board

Motion was made by Gary Grimes Jr, Seconded by Mark Taylor to Elect TJ O'neil as Chairman of the Board of Directors. All in favor and none opposed. So, carried.

Meeting was adjourned and exchange of Pins/pocket badges happen.

Respectfully Submitted  
Laura Foster, Recording Secretary