

Columbia County Fire Chief's Association Directors Meeting April 15, 2014

Meeting was brought to order by Acting Chairman, Jose Ortiz.

Minutes: Motion to accept the corrected reading of the previous Directors' meeting minutes, Dick Howard/Dave Goid – Carried.

Reading of the previous general meeting minutes for informational purposes only.

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept the treasure's report as read by Russ Wheeler, Wally Engel/Dick Howard – Carried

A copy of the report is attached to these minutes. Russ researched various banks and their interest rates on CDs. He recommends, upon receipt of the inheritance, we purchase 1-\$20,000 CD at 1% and 1-\$20,000 CD at 1.1% from the Berkshire Bank. Motion for Russ to purchase the CDs as recommended Bill Hunt/Mark Sheline – Carried.

Coordinator's Report: Bill Hunt stated that the Coordinators' Office has attended 8 meetings and has been present at 11 incidents requiring 1 Battalion response, 1 C&O investigation, and 1 Haz-Mat response during the last month. To date 8 fire schools have been completed with 150 students attending, representing 1,669 student hours.

Melissa Eigenbrodt has been appointed County Fire Instructor and will begin on June 1st. We currently have one candidate pending his assessment for the second open instructor position.

John is currently researching a grant possibly to replace C&O 16.

We have 3 J-Fire members scheduled to attend a J-Fire Seminar in Montour Falls next week.

Reports of Committees: Safety Trailer: Dave Goid reported Philmont has requested the use of Patches the end of April. Both trailers have been registered.

Legislative: Mark Sheline gave a status report on various bills pending legislation.

Banquet: Mark Sheline reported that a date of Friday, October 10th at Kozels has been set by the CCVFFA for the Past Presidents' Dinner.

Communications: Columbia County Volunteer Fire Fighters' Association is asking for our support by purchasing 50 Raffle Tickets at the cost of \$1.00 each.

Old Business: A discussion on how to use the remaining grant money resulted in: Mark Sheline reported that 40-10 year smoke detectors have been received free of charge. It was suggested that we purchase 40 CO detectors and a concentrated effort be made to distribute them. It was suggested to possibly have a monthly column in the newspaper by the Association.

Mark will inquire about the possibility of paying the insurance for the trailers using the grant money.

Replacing the literature for distribution at the fair. George Huston will acquire a rubber stamp to be used on various literature.

Russ will inquire about, to whom we should send a Thank You for the inheritance from Mr. Baraka.

New Business: It was decided to recognize the heroic efforts of the child who alerted everyone and possibly saved their lives due to a fire that occurred in Stuyvesant. Wally Engel will work on setting this up a.s.a.p. Wally Engel asked everyone to sign a get well card to be given to Ben Wheeler.

A motion we purchase the Raffle Tickets from CCVFF Wally Engel/Dave Goold – Carried.

Bills: Trailer registration of \$59.00 was paid.

Next General meeting will be May 20th at the Mellenville Fire Station. Next Directors' meeting will be June 17th at the Vanderbuilt in Philmont.

Motion to adjourn Bill Hunt/Dave Goold – Carried.

Secretary Irene Huston