

Columbia County Fire Chief's Association

General Meeting

September 16, 2014

Meeting was brought to order by President: Mark Sheline.

Members were welcomed by Assistant Chief Gary Smith of the Tri-Village Fire Company.

Reading of the Minutes: Motion by Jose Ortiz/Ted Beck to accept the reading of the previous general meeting minutes – Carried.

Minutes of the directors meeting were read for informational purposes only.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by George Huston/Jose Ortiz to accept the treasurers' reports as read by Russ Wheeler – Carried.

A copy of this report is attached to these minutes.

Coordinator's Report: John Howe expressed his thanks for the card and donation. The Coordinators' Office has responded to 4 incidents since the last meeting and has been present at 8 meetings and other special functions. There have been 18 fire schools complete to date with 292 students graduating, representing 6,405 student hours. We currently have a FF1, a Scene Support, and an EVOC courses running. October 11th. At 9:00am we will be hosting the first joint FF1 graduation of the Stockport and Chatham classes at the Columbia Greene Community College. Please attend if you can and show your support.

Battalion meetings have been scheduled for September 23rd. at the Ancram Fire Station and September 25th. at the East Chatham Fire Station.

Reports of Committees:

Haz-Mat: Saturday, September 27th. There will be a drill including Fire, EMS, Police departments and Hudson Hospital. Saturday, December 10th there will be a drill with the Health Department and a Systems test.

Fair: Dave Goold reported that the bicycles were donated by the Lebanon Valley Protective Association and the Philmont Fire Company. Also, that Wal-Mart has a program to get the bikes for free.

Fire Safety: Dave Goold reported that the trailer will be at the Home day , October, Dalmatian Day and in Stottville October 28th.

Banquet: Please RSVP by September 30th.

Bills: CCVFFA would like a detailed list of the expenses from the fair. Ted Beck/Paul Hoffman pay bills – Carried.

Entertainment: Deluca, Executive Director New York State Fire Chiefs' Association gave an overview of some of the issues the state association is working toward adoption of an International Fire Code and New Construction Residential Sprinklers. He asks your support by mentioning to the media, when possible, if a residential sprinkler could have made a difference in the outcome of a fire.

Communications: Thank yous were received from the Ghent Food Pantry and Kathleen White.

Old Business: Wally Engel reported \$2,385 from the raffle at the fair. Dan Lamarre won the Pink Helmet.

New Business: Starting in December new members will under-go a sex offender back ground check. The form will be the same as it was for arson. See Section 753.

Steven Montie donated \$10.00 to the Burned Out Victims Fund.

Nominating Committee: Ben Wheeler, Jose Ortiz, and Tom Rector This year 2 Directors are needed in addition to the regular slate.

For the Good of the Organization: Claverack September 20th. Car Show and Chicken BBQ Stuyvesant Falls. September 26th. Chicken BBQ Ghent September 28th. Open House and Chicken BBQ

50/50: was won by Dick Howard.

Next Directors' meeting: October 21st. at the Vanderbuilt in Philmont.

Next General meeting: November 18th. at the Lebanon Valley Fire Protective Station.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn Jose Ortiz/Ted Beck – Carried.

Secretary

Irene Huston