

**Columbia County Fire Chief's Association
Directors Meeting February 18, 2014**

Meeting was brought to order by Jose Ortiz.

**Minutes: Motion to accept the reading of the previous October Directors' meeting minutes. Due to inclement weather the December meeting was cancelled, George Huston/Tom Rector – 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.**

Coordinator's Report: Bill Hunt stated that the project for the radios is progressing. A discussion was held on procedures to be used when the new communications system has been installed.

Reports of Committees: C&O: There has been 1 incident.

J-Fire: There are 2 persons interested in joining the team and there is 1 possible referral.

Haz-Mat: The new procedure of filing reports of hazardous materials on individual sites has begun.

Grant: A brief discussion was held on how to utilize the remaining grant money and how to best distribute smoke detectors.

Scholarship Fund: Discussion was held on creating our own scholarship fund, set our own rules, and make our own selections. This will be brought to the next general meeting.

Old Business: Russ Wheeler reported that the question concerning the upward movement of the officers and directors is already in the by-laws. Therefore, no further action is necessary.

Wally Engel reported on the guidelines for the Shine Fund as follows: In the event of a death of a member a \$50 donation be made as indicated by the family. In all other situations a card will be sent.

Only under Special Circumstances will a decision by the members take precedence.

New Business: Russ Wheeler reported that 2 CDs are coming due and he believes it would be better renew them at Trust Co Bank at a higher interest rate.

No bills were presented.

Announcements: Ghent Ladies Auxiliary are holding a Hot Sub Sale Friday, February 21. Ancram Fire Company is holding a Chicken BBQ Saturday February 24. Mellenville Fire Company has pizza every Friday night until late spring.

Motion to adjourn Tom Rector/Ben Wheeler

Secretary Irene Huston