

Columbia County Fire Chiefs' Association

Directors Meeting December 15, 2015

Meeting was brought to order by the Chairman, Ben Wheeler.

Minutes: Motion to accept the reading of the previous Directors meeting
Ben Wheeler/Tom Rector – Carried.

Reading of the previous General meeting for informational purposes only.

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

Coordinator's Report: Was not available.

Bill Hunt reported that the Coordinator's Office will be looking for a Deputy from
the 3rd Battalion.

Reports of Committees:

C&O: Was called to a house trailer fire in Ghent.

Haz-Mat: Has their new truck. And the training program for its members is being
revised.

Safety Trailer: Dick Howard stated that both trailers have been registered for
2016. Lock boxes will be put on both trailers. The question "Are the trailers being
inspected when they are returned from use?" Gregg will speak to George Keeler
and ask if he will do the inspection. A motion to give George a \$100 gift card for
his time and gas, Wally Engel/Gregg Gilliland – Carried.

Dick Howard stated that the fire extinguisher simulator has not been returned.
Tom will contact Jose about returning it. Also, Patches' speaker is not working.
Gregg will have Wayne Gearing check it.

Scholarship: Ted Beck has sent copies to all the fire companies and it is now on
line.

Sunshine: Wally Engel made a motion to donate \$50 to Richard Jennings of
Craryville, who has leukemia, second by Bill Hunt – Carried.

The secretary will send a Christmas card to Sa'fyre Terry, a little girl badly burned who has asked for Christmas cards.

Communications: A \$75 donation has been received from the A.B.Shaw Ladies Auxiliary toward the clothing fund. The secretary will send a thank you letter.

Old Business: January will be the first month general meetings will offer training. Doug Garrison is sending out fliers to all fire companies and it will be on the web site. A discussion was held on how to encourage members to attend general meetings.

New Business: A decision was made to charge \$5 to non-members and give them an application to join the Chiefs' Assoc. As stated at the previous meeting certificates of completion will be given out at the following general meeting. Jim Van Deusen has located the keys to the safe and if no one wants it he will have it moved to his garage.

Good of the Association: A memorial service will be held for Elwood Hoyt on Jan 2, 2016, who was a 71 year member of the Ancram Fire Company.

Next General meeting January 19th Ghent Fire Station.

Next Directors' meeting February 16th Vanderbilt, Philmont.

Motion to adjourn Jim Van Deusen/Tom Rector – Carried.

Secretary
Irene Huston