Columbia County Fire Chiefs' Association

General Meeting

May 17, 2016

7:30pm

Meeting called to order by President Tom Rector

Welcomed by Chief Ben Wheeler of the Lebanon Valley Protective Association.

Minutes: A motion to accepted the corrected minutes of the previous General meeting Greg Gilliland/Paul Pratt – Carried.

Minutes of the previous Directors meeting read for informational purposes only.

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept the report as read by Russ Wheeler,

Bill Hunt/Jim Van Deusen – Carried.

Reports of Committees:

Advisory Board report was not available.

Coordinator's Report: Bill Hunt stated, 2 new candidates for the C&O have their resolutions in.

C&O trailer has been lettered. County is making repairs and it will be back soon.

The old trailer has been turned over to the county.

The Wild Land Fire Suppression class has been canceled due to lack of enrollment. Bill expressed his disappointment considering the increase in brush fires.

The site at Commerce Park is no longer available. The county has establish a committee to assess the amount of space that will actually be needed to house all the services.

Safety Trailer: Dick Howard reported that the Safety Trailer has been requested by the City of Hudson for June 11th, Flag Day and June 19th. Hudson Pride Parade, also Philmont has request the trailer for July 9th Community Day.

Legislative: The Legislature has passed the bill allowing volunteer firefighters with cancer to receive benefits similar to those of professionals.

Scholarship Fund: Applications for the 2016-17 year are available.

Communications: Dick Howard presented a letter requesting our support in his run for President of the Hudson-Mohawk Firefighters' Association.

Motion to send a letter of support Jim Van Deusen/Ted Beck – Carried.

The secretary will send the letter.

Letters were received from James A. Interdonati seeking the Office of Trustee and Steven E. Klein seeking the office of 1st Vice President, at the Firemen's Home both of Nassau County. Both requests were tabled until the next general meeting.

FASNY is requesting a donation to help support their Scholarship Fund. The donation must be dropped off at the Desmond Hotel in Albany. A decision was made to table the request until the next general meeting.

Old Business: Motion by Jose Ortez/Bill Hunt to approved the applications for membership of: Michael LaForge, Chris Pierro, David Proper, Dane Shadic, and Randi Shadic – Carried.

New Business: Bob Adriance of Churchtown reported Sunday, May 22 at 10:00 there will be a Helicopter Landing Zone training course in Germantown. Please try to attend.

Bills: The night's refreshments were donated by the Lebanon Valley Protective Association.

Announcements: Next Directors' meeting June 21st at the Vanderbilt, Philmont.

Next General meeting July 19th at the Claverack Fire Station.

Motion to adjourn Gregg Gilliland/Rich Lindmark - Carried.

Secretary

Irene Huston