



**Directors Meeting  
September 11, 2019  
Mellenville Fire Company**

Meeting called to order at 7:35 PM by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Tim Trowbridge and gave the Invocation and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome was done by Chief Michael Layman

Gavel was passed to Chairman of the Board Kyle Wilber and he also thanked Mellenville Fire Company for hosting tonight's meeting.

Roll Call as follows; 24 in attendance

1<sup>st</sup> VP Tim Trowbridge

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Larry Ostrander

Chairman Kyle Wilber

Director TJ O'Neil

Director Michael Layman

Director Gary Grimes Jr.

Recording Sec. Laura Foster

Financial Sec. Frank Bevens

Treasurer Ed Snow

Past Pres. Laura Foster

Past Pres. Steve Montie

Past Pres. Craig Haigh

Past Pres. Joe H. Loeffler

Past Pres. Jim MacArthur

Past Pres. John Blaauw

Past Pres. Eugene Browning

Past Pres. Wayne Butterworth

Past Pres. William Blaauw

Past Pres. Angelo Nero

Past Pres. Joe F. Loeffler

Past Sec. James Brady

County Car 1 William Hunt

Deputy CC George Keeler

Pres. Fire Chiefs Wally Engel

Motion was made by Michael Layman, seconded by Larry Ostrander to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accepted them as emailed presented; all in favor and none opposed so carried.

Treasurer's Report was read by Ed Snow, motion was made by to accept by Tim Trowbridge, seconded by Gary Grimes Jr. all in favor and none opposed so carried. Report attached to these minutes.

Financial Secretary Report was given by Frank Bevens; Dues are just being accepted, motion made to accept report by Gary Grimes Jr., seconded by Steve Montie all in favor and none opposed, so carried. Report attached to these minutes.



#### **Correspondence:**

**Received letter from Columbia County Fire Advisory Board, stating they are willing to help with our recruitment and retention of new firefighters.**

**Received thank you note from Frida VanDeusen, for honoring Dick at the 94<sup>th</sup> Convention**

**Received letter of support from Becraft Pumper Co # 2 supporting Chief John Onufrychuk for Deputy Fire Coordinator of Columbia County.**

**Received Invite to Hudson Valley Day, September 22 at the Home and donation seeking letter from Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen Association, INC.**

**Received The Hudson Valley Firefighter August 2019 Issue**

**Received FASNY Volunteer Firefighter July/August issue**

#### **Committee Reports**

**Fire Chief's Association President Wally Engel reported on the Fair Booth and there is a meeting next week at West Ghent. Looking for Treasurer and Secretary.**

**County Ladies Auxiliary Laura Foster reported meeting will be September 16<sup>th</sup> in Valatie**

**Coordinator's Report Coordinator Bill Hunt New fire schools, then passed to George Keeler to give progress report on the new training building who reported bids going out and many winter projects.**

**Cause and Origin Joe Loeffler reported one call to Philmont**

**Haz-mat Team George Keeler reported call this past Saturday at Greene Correction in Coxsackie**

**Fire Advisory Board Wally Engel reported all is quiet and that the board was looking for candidates for Coordinator.**

**County Fire Police No report**

**By-Laws No report**

**Fund Raising TJ O'Neil reported 3225 tickets were sold. Gary Grimes and TJ O'Neil will be working of this year's raffle. Discussion about prizes being increase and the cost of the grand prize.**

**Legislative No report**

**Clothing Bins No report**



**Firefighter of the Year/Lifetime Achievement Steve Montie reported all went well. Committee will discuss changes to applications.**

**2020 Yearbook Tim Trowbridge reported pictures are being taken, they will be selling ads soon and going door to door.**

**CCVFA Website Frank Bevins Up and running send events and pictures to Frank**

**2020 Convention Tj O'Neil reported Officers will meet to discuss and work on budget. Discussion of the attendance awards and Motion was made by Tim Trowbridge, seconded by Michael Layman to continue awards as incentive to attend meetings.**

**Recruitment James Brady reported he went Lebanon Valley Speedway for Fire Ems night. Also, the Bank of Greene County will be having Recruitment needs in their branch officers.**

**Scholarship Laura Foster reports no change in the application, due January 2020.**

**Historical No report**

**Past President's Dinner Laura Foster reported she is working with Past President Silliman. Chief's Association does not have an outgoing President this year.**

**Annual Holiday Party December 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at the Firemen's Home.**

**Unfinished Business Discussion about to changing Banks, purchase of laptop.**

**Looking to downsize the Board of Directors**



**New Business**

**Motion was made by Gary Grimes Jr., seconded by TJ O'Neil to donate \$1000.00 to the Firemen's Home for Hudson Valley Day. All in favor and none opposed so carried.**

**Discussion on Friday Convention to limit reports given, maybe move them to second session.**

**Michael Layman is going to work on merchandise to sell at the Quarterly Meeting in October**

**Motion to Adjourn made by Larry Ostrander, seconded by Steve Montie all in favor and none opposed so carried @ 08:40 PM**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Laura Foster, Recording Secretary**

