

May 17, 2023 OCVFA Monthly Meeting Camillus Fire Department

Present: Jeff Barzee, Mike Block, Mike Caron, Tom Czajak, Warren Darby, Floyd Duger, Ron Forss, Rick Nemier, Ben Page, Marty Pine, John Roder, Dave Steinberg, Judy Strazzere, April Thomas, Marty Thomas.

Excused: Joe Nemier, Marissa Wick.

The meeting was called to order at 7:34pm by President Marty Pine.

The Pledge was led by Sgt. Of Arms Marty Thomas.

The Prayer was led by Chaplain Floyd Duger.

The Welcome was done by Camillus Asst. Chief Joe DeFabio.

The Response was done by PP Rick Nemier.

There was a quorum.

A motion was made by Ron Forss and seconded by Harold Smith to accept the minutes and it was carried.

Speaker: None

County Chiefs: Jon Barrett reported the next meeting is May 31st, 2023 at Otisco Fire Department at 6:30 for social time and 7:00pm for the meeting. There will be 2 speakers, 1 from the Sheriff's office and 1 from 911 Center. Everyone is welcome.

State Chiefs: Rick Nemier reported that the conference at the State Academy had a 101-102 attendees. The Educator of the year was announced. The conference will be at the Oncenter for the next 3 years. They will be busing to the Training Center.

Fire Advisory Board: They are putting a new Mutual Aid Plan in place. The original plan had 20 pages and Monroe County had 68 pages. The new plan has 35-36 pages. The rough draft has been sent to the next level. Nimes, etc. was included.

Central: The Convention is July 21-23, 2023 at Homer Fire Department. It is in conjunction with their 150th Anniversary. It is being held between the Fire House and the CNY Living Center on Route 11 before the Cortland Hospital. Go to their website for details: cnyfa.com. The parade is on Saturday.

Northern Central: The Convention is June 9-10, 2023 at Nedrow Fire Department. Firefighter Night at the Ball Park is Friday night.

NYS Fair: The next meeting is April 22, 2023. Pottersville will represent a station. 70 letters were sent out to Madison and Onondaga Counties to respond if they can work. Confirm your dates with Marty Pine. They are upgrading the puppet area into the 21st century along with the Lithium Batteries Room.

FASNY: The Home: There is 83 members. They are residing the building and activities are picking up. The annual Memorial was held last weekend. Ken and Barb Pienkowski said they would do a zoom meeting from Dick Weslowski's room if anyone wants to chat with Dick.

Treasurer's Report: Ben Page

Income:	\$24497.44	Expenses:	\$12985.47	
Checking	\$17833.77	Savings:	\$5000.94	\$ 22884.71
Vehicles:	7 CD's		\$91719.95	\$114604.66
Scholarships:	6 CD's		\$35684.34	
	Checking		\$3547.29	\$ 39684.34
Total:				\$153836.29

A motion was made by Harold Smith and seconded by John Roder and carried to accept the Treasurer's report as read.

Communications was read Secretary Judy Strazzere.

Committees:

Banquet: The banquet is planned for September 2024. Warren Darby would like to have clams and it was suggested calling Jon Abbott to cater the event. Also looking into the American Legion in Cicero.

Conventions: Northern Central is June 9-10 at Nedrow Fire Department and Central is July 21-23 at Homer Fire Department. OCVFA is trying to host Central for their 125th Anniversary in 2024. Tom Czajak tried to coincide it with the Minoa Field Days but Central wants it in July. Mike Caron told Central we could have the meetings in 2024 at the Jordan Elbridge Community Center and have the Elbridge Fire Department do the meal.

Sports: Mike Block told about the State Summer Games at Baldwinsville June 16-18 2023. If you have any questions, please contact the Chief of Baldwinsville.

Fundraising: We have brought in \$14654.77 so far this year which is \$807.31 ahead of last year.

Memorial Service: It is May 18, 2023 at the Paladium at 6:00pm and the media is scheduled to be there.

Golf Tournament: June 4, 2023 at Pompey Golf Course. We have lots of teams, Dinner is \$40.00 and we have 2 scholarship winners.

Fire Police: There was a good presentation at the meeting last week in Cicero.

Membership: Departments are at 42 that have paid their dues and 5 individuals for a total of \$3780.00.

FASNY: Mike Caron reported that Recruit NY was a success. The convention is August 10-12 at Niagara Falls and the testimonials are on Saturday.

Training: Jon Barrett reported that Tom Miller of West Virginia will be at the convention. Old Forge will have training September 14-16. Legislation is not happy with the way the budget went. The good news

is the things on the table are going forward. The school tax bill has momentum. LOSP will waive the school tax up to \$12000.00 and will also apply to your spouse if you pass away. Friends of Fairmount on face book have information. Ways to recruit and retain firefighters were also discussed. Gregg Poppo may have some updates. 25 scholarships were presented. 3 were from Onondaga County. They were from West Genesee, Cicero and Clay. We have only received 1 application for a scholarship.

Steve Kay: FASNY Youth Advisory Committee wants to have 1 youth for each section by June 1st.

Steering: The steering committee is backing Marty Thomas.

Training Education: We will try to get Gregg Poppo for either June or July.

Believe 31: Events: They are planning a corn Hole tournament on July 23 at the Pub in Liverpool at \$30.00 per person. Helmet Raffle or \$500.00 cash to be given away August 13th. The tickets are \$5.00 each. Challenge coins are \$10.00 each. Believe 31 and Southern section are having a joint golf tournament. August 10-13 are the DeRuder Field Days. FASNY wants to have a car show. Elbridge has a car show on August 12. May 21 they will be at Southwood Fire Department. June 25 will be at Brewerton, July meeting will be a possible cook out. March 23, 2024 will be the next event in Canastota.

Coalition: There will be a ball game July 16th at the ball park at 1:00pm. We rented the Patio on the 1st baseline.

Budget: Last month we couldn't vote on it. Gordy Kotars made a motion not to read it and Harold Smith seconded it and it was carried. Mike Caron made a motion to vote on the budget. It was seconded by Rick Nemier and carried.

Safety Trailer: It was in Lysander. Come out and help us and get the parents involved.

Old Business: Next Monthly meeting is June 21 at Minoa if we can get the building.

New Business: Judy Strazzere mentioned there is a parade August 12 in Elbridge for their 175th Anniversary.

Southern Section: Harold Smith made a motion to get a \$50.00 hole sponsor for their Golf Tournament. It was seconded by Warren Darby and carried.

Good and Welfare: The Bibles for Kimmy Darby has brought in \$4795.00 so far and that purchased 959 Golden Bibles.

50/50: \$60.00 each was won by Judy Strazzere.

Floral Fund: \$39.00 was collected.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:13pm was made by Carl Alley and seconded by Tom Brown and carried.

Submitted by Judy Strazzere

Secretary

