

10/12/2022 OCVFA Board Meeting Nedrow Fire House

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

Excused: Marissa Wick.

Call to order at 6:45pm by President Martin Pine.

Mike Caron reported that the Legislative Weekend is November 4, 5, & 6, 2022 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Troy, NY. Floyd Duger is going to attend. We need a list of those that are going to go. There is a new company that has taken over the Fire Fighters magazine for FASNY. Past President John Farrell's Testimonial Dinner is October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Anthony's. April & Marty Thomas are going to attend.

Central: Productive Meeting at this time. We are not going to help out financially until things are done right.

Safety Town: Looking into coins for Safety Town but we have a financial situation that we can advertise for. If Mike Caron pays \$500.00 for them to be made, he would like recognition for it. Rick Nemier said any profit from the sale of the coins can't go back to the store. December 7th there will be a meeting at 1:00pm at Nedrow Fire House about Safety Town Corporation. They have added Marty Pine to the group. Harold Smith wants to know who is going to run it. OCVFA has a place at the table. They are talking adding a transformer for the electric. If profit goes to the store, they can pay for it.

Winter Games: February 3-5, 2023 at Greek Peak. Mary Beth Paul finally got a hold of Mike Caron.

Mike Block is going to have a Zoom call with the Legislators. We want to put it up on the website.

Marty Pine has been HACKED. Use these e-mails: [martin.pine1954@gmail.com](mailto:martin.pine1954@gmail.com) or [mpinecny@hotmail.com](mailto:mpinecny@hotmail.com) or [mpine85@yahoo.com](mailto:mpine85@yahoo.com)

Lt. Chris Halliday of Manlius called to see if we can get a proclamation for the Juniors at Manlius Fire Department. We can give it to them at one of our meetings.

Proclamations & Awards: Marty Plunkett called and said they are doing a reception for Jeb Bealers wife for her 50 years in the Howlett Hill Fire Department Auxiliary on November 19<sup>th</sup> at the fire house. We will do a proclamation or a Red Jacket Award. The proclamations will be signed by either Chiefs or President and Secretary.

Rick Nemier presented the Claude Belge award to Ben Page and the Bill Barden award to Mike Block.

Rick Nemier Made a motion to give PP John Farrell a \$250.00 gift certificate at his testimonial. It was seconded by Warren Darby and carried. Dave Steinberg made a motion to give Ladies Auxiliary Past President a \$50.00 gift certificate. It was seconded by April Thomas and carried

Communications was read.

Treasurers Report: September 30<sup>th</sup> Ben Page stated we had a total of \$126232.99 in our accounts.

Dave Steinberg: Nothing

Rick Nemier: Nothing

Ron Forss: Nothing

Warren Darby: Working on PP Banquet.

Jeff Barzee: Potential sponsor for Fire Fighter Night.

John Roder: Nothing

Marty Thomas: Nothing

April Thomas: September Fundraising: 25 donors with 22 being repeat for a total of \$830.00. We are behind by \$310.00 from last year.

Mike Block said that Howlett Hill Fire Dept. and Juniors were at Loew's in Camillus with the smoke trailer. Suggested we put together receipts of \$300.00 for an account to get to \$2500.00 for the Juniors. Fairmount is getting back into the Juniors again. The trailer will be in the Parade of Lights Parade in Baldwinsville on November 26, 2022. Command stickers will be put on the trailer to promote fire safety. The conversation went well with the Legislators. There is a grant request in John Mannion's office for \$102000.00 for a new trailer. Matthews Auto also has a request for a new truck. Pushball was back at some departments this year. It was suggested OCVFA do a recognition award for them. Golf committee meeting will be held Nov 9<sup>th</sup> before our BOD meeting at Solvay at 6:00pm.

Joe Nemier will share on facebook page that Mike Block is looking for people to help out with the trailer by driving, helping to speak to the people or any other way possible.

Tom Czajak stated that Sullivan County's Convention will be advertised in the Fire Fighter magazine by Eagle. Also that we should get ahold of the State Government to advertise the 2<sup>nd</sup> week as Fire Prevention Week on the digital highway signs like other states do. Minoa Field Days will be hosting the 2023 & 2024 Conventions. Next years is County convention. They will elect new officer's in January 2023. The new Chief will be Don Grandaldi. We can have a corn hole tournament and the scaffolding will be put up by a trained team for the games. There were great comments on the Banquet. Thank You to the Banquet Committee. Tom Czajak will get a hold of Denny from Minoa.

Floyd Duger: Needs the score card and Ben Page will take care of it. Ron Shendahowa told Rick Nemier that Danny Shendahowa Passed.

Judy Strazzere reported the dues have been mailed out.

Mike Block stated that Chief Isgar suggests we support the chiefs to request 911 to straighten out about calls and cancelled as a no show so that they can receive credit for it.

A motion was made by Ben Page and seconded by Ron Forss to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. Motion was carried.

Judy Strazzere

Secretary

