

MINUTES OF THE 845TH CORPORATION MEETING, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

President Rob Shillington called the meeting to order at 19:32 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Present- 59; Excused- 21; Absent- 40.

John Boullie made a motion to accept the minutes of the 844th Corporation Meeting (07/13/15). Ray Crozier seconded. The motion passed.

Presentation – Peer Fitness Training - Medical Officer: Dr. Adam Corrado

- The new peer fitness trainers are: Capt. Dave Bourgoïn, Katherine Matousek, Capt. Joseph Speich, Lt. Aaron Gelber, Thomas Sherber, Jeremy Kaswer, and Gina Kline.
- The Wellness Program is focusing on combatting The Big Three: Cancer, Heart Disease, and Suicide Prevention. The broad scope of the program covers a 10-year focus on retention, recruitment, retirement, and replacing personnel.
- Dr. Corrado wants to send two peer trainers to a Fitness Center for formal International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) certification (\$1000/person) that lasts 2 years.

Correspondence – Secretary Jean Barton

- Thank you card from the parent of a child who was locked out of their home (July 27th).

Treasurer’s Report: Joe Kowalczyk

Total cash in the corporate account is \$903,000. Of this amount:

- 1) Encumbered funds = \$117,000
 - 2) Town of Avon Grant = \$613,000
 - 3) Live Burn Funds = \$59,000
 - 4) Other Restricted Funds = \$561,000
 - 5) Unrestricted Corporation Funds = \$113,000
- This month we wrote a check for \$105,000 to go to the Live Burn. As a result, there are no more restricted funds from donations. The only remaining Live Burn Funds are designated as “Board Restricted”. We can “un-restrict” this money at any time.
 - The Corporation still has positive net income thus far (\$36,000).
 - The Budget account is running at \$663,000. So far, we have spent \$65,000 of that sum.

Officers’ Reports:

AV 1: Chief Michael Trick –

- The “Fight for Air” climb will occur on March 5, 2016 in New Haven and on April 23, 2016 in Hartford.
- T-17 is out in the parking lot. The radio and lights have been installed. It will strictly be for training use.
- The 09/11 ceremony was well attended. Thank you to Lt. Jean Barton, Capt. Nolan, Pastor Joe Piccirillo, and others.
- On behalf of AV3, we want to let everyone know the next Live Burn will be occurring on October 3rd.

AV 2: Asst. Chief Bruce Appell – no report

AV 3: Asst. Chief Chris Kunzelmann – no report

AV 4: Asst. Chief Kline -

- The Police Department has a new 911 system to replace the old. The new system will allow for better information searches and rescue operations.
- Knox Boxes are being replaced. However, some boxes have been reported missing. Please notify Chief Kline about any recovered boxes.
- Please use the “I Am Responding” software since we are paying for it.

AV 20: FMO Jamie DiPace

- The ground-breaking ceremony for the Burn Building will be on October 29th.
- There will be a fundraising car show on October 24th.
- Verizon will be installing a small antenna booster. Revenue from it will be \$6000 each year. The original system was installed in the 1960’s.
- There is the possibility of a new car dealership on Rt. 44. It is currently in the planning stages. It will be located on the Dakota’s lot. The plan for the dealership is awaiting approval.
- Meeting with WTIC Radio on Deercliff Rd. FEMA installed a backup transmitter system. It’s a 2500 watt system.

AV 21: Capt. Mike Nolan

- Welcomed a new member to Company 1.

AV 22: Capt. Dave Bourgoin

- Requests help with preparing Engine 11.

AV 23: Capt. Joe Speich – no report

AV 24: Capt. Tim O’Neil – no report

AV 25: Capt. Ken Sedlak

- Lt. Jean Barton represented Capt. Sedlak. She extended congratulations to the new Mr. and Mrs. Crozier on their marriage.

AV 26: Capt. Dave Theriault – no report

AV 28: Medical Officer Adam Corrado

- Department physicals need to meet the requirements of the NFPA.
- Dr. Corrado and Capt. Speich have been working on revamping the training manuals.
- Flu vaccination schedules will be emailed shortly.

HQ Director/Personnel Services: Lynn Sedlak – no report

Buildings: Bob Theriault – no report

Committee Reports - Dennis Bianchi:

- Fundraising & Community Outreach-
 - Clambake raffle – \$1140; Teacup - \$721; Silent Auction - \$725. Grand Total: \$2586.

- The AVFD Halloween Parade has been cancelled.
- The Children’s Holiday Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 12, 2015. An email with additional information will be sent soon.
- We need more coverage for Avon Day. Please contact Dennis to sign up.
- On October 9th a Fire Prevention event will be held in several schools.

Planning Committee – no report

75th Anniversary Committee – Capt. Dave Theriault

- The committee is open to everyone. Please check your email for meeting dates.

Additional Committee Reports – Lt. Jean Barton

- Both Capt. Michael Nolan and Jaci Nolan have agreed to be the coordinators of the 2016 Clam Bake.
- The Annual Dinner will be on November 21st. Check the November Running Card for RSVPs.

Unfinished Business – none

New Business:

- Ramona Mansfield made a motion to accept William “Tad” Green to the open Board position. Clarence Evans seconded. Tad Green was welcomed to the Board.

Pot of Gold and Attendance Award:

Pot of Gold –Sue Anderson – donated money back to the AVFD

Attendance Award – Sue Jansen – Awarded \$10.

- James Keith won a DD gift card.

Meeting Adjourned 20:40.