

MINUTES OF THE 849TH CORPORATION MEETING, May 9, 2016

President Robert Shillington called the meeting to order at 19:34 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Prayer from Chaplain Piccirillo

Roll Call: Present - 63; Excused - 21; Absent - 30.

The 848th Corporation Meeting minutes were approved.

Correspondence – Lt. Jean Barton

- Thank You notes and donations were noted.

Treasurer's Report – Joe Kowalczyk- was absent

- Financial reports were out for the members to take.

Oaths of Office – Capt. Ken Sedlak

- Ramona Mansfield took Oath of Office and was promoted to Captain of Co. 2.
- Jeremy Kaswer took Oath of Office and was promoted to Lieutenant of Co. 2.

Membership Oath – Capt. Ken Sedlak

- Andrew Ozmun took the Membership Oath and is now a regular member.

April Board Meeting Highlights – Rob Shillington

- The voting of By-Law Article V will be discussed in more detail under New Business.
- **Dr. Adam Corrado-** Results of the stair climb FF Peter Delap finished 1st in his age group, FF Dave Costill finished 2nd in his age group, Capt. Ramona Mansfield finished 1st in her age group and FF Tom Sherber finished 1st in his age group. AVFD was awarded the largest and second fastest team. FF PJ Piccirillo won 2016 On-Air-Stair Challenge.

AV1: Chief Michael Trick –

- Blood drive did very well this year. Thank you everyone who helped with this event.
- I recently made some changes in staffing and leadership for the department. First I would like to thank Capt. Tim O'Neil for his service as an officer of both Co. 1 & 4 and look forward to continued substantial contribution as a FF at Co. 3. Then the two promotions Ramona Mansfield Capt. Of Co. 2 and Jeremy Kaswer as her Lieutenant. Will also be shuffling some of our current officers around. Capt. Dave Bourgoin and Lt. Matt Caron will be placed at Co. 1, Capt. David Theriault and Lt. Chris Balich will be placed at Co. 3. Capt. Aaron Gelber and Lt. Collin Plourde will take over duties at Co. 4 lastly Capt. Mike Nolan will be assuming duties at the Logistic/ Special Operations. Will make everyone aware of any other changes.
- 5K in Suffield, CT Lt. Chris Balich is putting a team together please sign up if you are interested.
- Thank you for all who participated in the 5K for St. Matthews & Fire Police for helping. Lt. Chris Balich finished 2nd accompanied by his dog, FF Dave Cappello finished in 3rd accompanied with his neighbor's dog. Thank you again for all your help.

AV2: Asst. Chief Bruce Appell: Reported by Chief Trick

- Budget Referendum meeting Wednesday May 11th at the Senior Center.
- Hose testing will be done at Co.1 in the next couple of weeks.
- New Engine 11 is almost done and will be placed at Co. 1 until the floors are finished being reinforced at Co.4
- Truck 6 looking into a cab body for our department.

AV3: Asst. Chief Tom Kline:

- Please keep using IAMRESPONDING
- Meeting with the PD about the CAD and new technology in the new trucks.

AV4: Asst. Chief Joe Speich:

- Live Burn on May 22nd at Hartford County burn building, meeting at 7:30am at Co.1
- Please sign up for June Fire School courses they are filling up fast.
- The old Hartford building will start being demolished, was happy all companies were able to get in there and train.

AV20: Jamie DiPace:

- Talk of sprinkler systems in the houses built up on Avon Mountain.
- Talk of leveling the huge dirt mound on Climax Road to match with the Town Hall.
- The Live Burn and Training Facility – The slab of where the burn building will be built is finished. Hoping the burn building kit will be arriving middle of June.
- Ken and I went to the CFSI conference down in Washington DC and interesting information one that was appealing is if a business or home owner install sprinklers talk of receiving a tax credit, will keep you posted on any other information.
- Golf tournaments coming up:
 - June 6th National Firefighters Memorial Golf Tournament CT Stanley Golf Course
 - June 11th Tunxis Hose Golf Tournament at Farmington Woods Golf Course
 - June 16th Simsbury Golf Tournament Blue Fox Run Golf Course, Avon

AV21: Capt. Dave Bourgoin

- Members of CO. 1 please meet after the meeting, thank you

AV22: Capt. Ramona Mansfield

- Members of Co. 2 please report to the Board room after clean up, thank you.

AV23: Capt. Dave Theriault:

- Congratulate Capt. Nolan for taking over the Special Operations position. Co. 3 members please meet after the meeting, thank you.

AV 24: Capt. Aaron Gelber

- Thank you all who helped with moving Co. 4 basement material into the storage unit. Please after the meeting Co. 4 members meet in the meeting room, thank you.

AV25: Capt. Ken Sedlak

- Accountability tags are being done tonight.
- Attended the CFSI conference down in Washington DC with Jamie and heard important factual information comparing career and volunteer fire departments.

AV28: Medical Officer Adam Corrado:

- Highlighted on current projects emphasized the roll out of the wellness and fitness initiative

HQ Director – Lynn Sedlak

- HQ members please report to drill at CO. 1, 7:00 on May 16th to discuss rehab accountability with Fire Police. In case there is a large incident and additional resources are required.

Buildings- Robert Theriault

- Please be patient with the status of work orders. DPW priority is working on renovation of CO. 4
- Lighting of Co. 2 meeting room is being looked into.

Committee Reports:

- **Community Outreach- Dennis Bianchi**
 - Still need more participants for the 9/11 Memorial museum bus trip.
 - August 8, 2016 will be the 3rd Annual golf tournament will need assistance getting sponsors and golfers.
 - Food Drive will be held on June 25, 2016 at the Simsbury Stop and Shop from 8:30am. -3:00pm please sign up or give donations.
 - Need a driver for May 13th, TV free week visiting PGS to hose the kids down, Lt. Matt Caron offered to drive.
 - May 17th will be the Fundraising letter mailing, please contact me if you will be able to help, dinner will be offered.
- **75th Anniversary Committee- Capt. Dave Theriault**
 - Heard back from Valley Community Baptist Church, they will cancel their last sermon the day of the parade.
 - Next meeting will be June 9th at Co. 1 from 7:00-8:00
- **Additional Committee Reports- Lt. Jean Barton**
 - Parade season is upon us please have your uniforms cleaned & pressed.

Unfinished Business:

- Jim Keith asked regarding the statement of activities report what the Board Expenses (6046) were used for. Also asked why there were credit card fees (6052). Joe Kowalczyk will get back to him regarding his questions.

New Business:

- Article V- By-Law Amendment there were copies of the original and the revised By-Laws changes projected to the screens for the members to look at. Rob Shillington explained to the membership why the changes were being suggested and also what they were. After some discussion it was decided to take a vote whether you are for or against the changes to By-Law Article V. Clarence Evans made a motion to take a vote on By-Law Article V with Nick Mathein 2nded. The ballots were tallied up and the vote did not pass, 17 for and 40 against.

Good and Welfare- No Report

Pot of Gold and Attendance Award –

Pot of Gold – Capt. Ramona Mansfield \$10.15

Attendance Award – \$10 Tad Green

Starbucks Gift Card – Kristen Shaw

Meeting adjourned at 21:43.