

## 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee Minutes

July 26, 2017

Call to Order: 7:05 p.m.

Present: Dave Theriault, Steve McMahon, Diane Delap, Diane Theriault, Bob Theriault, Bobby Sanderson, Dennis Bianchi, Scott Grizzly, Pat Kiser, Laura Ward, Brian Baldwin, Sharon Levine-Shein, Chief Trick

Correction to previous minutes: Sp. Memorabilia under Harvey Reeser; Add: 2018 to Annual Dinner under Jen Reeser.

Minutes accepted as changed.

Ad Book: Nothing to report.

T-Shirts: Nothing to report.

Convention: Steve: Labels are in; 300 invitations going out for Convention. Irregulars Dinner gave date for our Convention. PO Box all set for Convention and Ad Book, PO Box 186.

Dave: Registration forms submitted for Taftville Convention this year, Sept. 15-17, 2017. Delegates same as last year, 6 rooms reserved. Steve, Dave, PJ, Bob, Harvey and Jen. Heather Underwood (Wilcox) who will sing at our Convention will room with Jen. Meeting open to anyone. They will be voting on by-law changes to Connecticut FF Assoc. at meeting. Parade Sunday, September 17. Diane & Diane will be there to take money for early registration from 8:30-11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 16.

First mailing to Fire Departments in January 2018 for our Convention. Save the Date postcard for Convention will be mailed in July 2018. In FD letter to residents will advise that we are hosting FF Convention in September. Laura will put in Annual Report to town about Convention, Open Houses, Library Events. AVFD Calendar will also include these events. Laura will also put in Quarterly Town Newsletter and possibly website also. Possibly do a handout at Avon Day (??? water bottles).

Open House: No report

Hartford County Memorial Service: No report

5K: Chief Trick: Will be held April 14, 2018. New Balance will be sponsor. Dennis will reach out to sponsors from Pine Grove Road Race. Need 15-20 people for race support on the day of race. Will get shirts (150). Race timer will advertise in on line running sites. Will ask Fire Police to help on Main Road. Invest in banner for race and set up at Company 3. Chief will get events permit for Race and Dave will get permit for Convention from Planning and Zoning.

May 11, 2018 Concert: Dennis: At Senior Center with a Puppet Show for Seniors. Cost \$225. Will be open to public.

Library: Pat Kiser. Booked gallery space for January (can also have for February). Need pictures/articles by December. Need help with gathering photos, etc. for exhibit. Need photos of all members. Date set for August 7 for photos to be taken with Class A uniform. 6:00 p.m. at Co. 1. Those without uniform can wear white uniform shirt. Contact Jean or Sharon for a white shirt.

Will line up movies to be shown at Library in September/October 2018. Pat will get exact dates. Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. and 1 night at 6:30 p.m. We will supply popcorn, cookies, candy, etc. September exhibit in history room of Fire equipment and how its changed over the years.

Official opening to kick off 75<sup>th</sup> year at Library with talk: "We Don't Just Fight Fires." This will be January 13, 2018. (time & speaker ???) Wine and cheese will be served.

Publicity: 2018 calendar. Possibly have historical photos, older apparatus, cover to represent 75 years, purchase price/years apparatus. Send ideas to Laura Ward. She will forward outline of what she and Carol proposed to Dave and he will send to committee for comments.

Laura will work with Governor's office to get letters for Ad book (Governor, Lt. Governor). Will ask Governor to present proclamation at Convention.

Next Meeting: August 16, 2017 at 7:00 at Co. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Theriault & Diane Delap