

MINUTES OF THE 864th CORPORATION MEETING November 19, 2018

Vice President Mike Galliher called the meeting to order at 19:40
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Present: 66 Absent: 36

The 863rd Corporation Meeting minutes were approved.

Correspondence

- Thank You notes, and donations were noted.

Oaths of Membership:

- The following Probationary Members took their Oaths of Membership:
 - Maggie Light, Mike Light, Jake O'Malley and Ben Roland

Oath of Office:

- Mark Wilson took the Oath of Officer for Lieutenant at Company 3

Treasurer's Report – Joe Kowalczyk (away)

- Financial reports were out for the members to take and read.

Highlighted Items from November Board of Director's Meeting – Vice President Galliher

- November Highlights
 - There were two open Board seats, but only one person applied. The Secretary will do the vote.
 - There are 3 open Board seats.

Committee Reports:

- **75th Anniversary-Captain David Theriault**
 - There is still an exhibit at the library in the history room.
- **Health & Wellness – Captain Corrado**
 - The following members are on this committee: Rick Solari, Joann Campbell, Steve Gottlieb, Mark Wilson, Dave Bourgoin, Mike Trick and John Ryan. This committee worked on the Contamination Control Binders which are in all stations and will be posted to the members only section on the department website. There are also Decon kits on all the apparatus.
 - Chief Trick also showed the membership the award that the department received at VCOS for our efforts in health and safety.
- **Company 4 Building – Captain Aaron Gelber**
 - Final stretch just small things have to be completed
- **SCBA – Assistant Chief Joe Speich**
 - SCBA has been ordered. Looking to receiving everything by the end of the year so that in January the officers can get trained on the new packs. The new masks have been ordered and hoping to get them in soon so that members can get fit testing. Any inserts for members with prescription glasses please get your eyes examined at Avon Vision Center so that the inserts can be ordered. The apparatus will be going out to get new mountings in preparation of the new SCBA.
- **Fundraising and Community Outreach – Dennis Bianchi**
 - Fundraising letter has brought in \$57,700 after expenses.
 - The Golf Tournament brought in \$6,000.
 - Mrs. Brighenti gave the department a donation in the amount of \$3,500. In the past she has given the department \$5,000. In the last 2 years she has sponsored the dinner at the Golf Tournament and gave a donation of \$3,500. This year she wanted the \$3,500 to go towards something that would benefit the department and not just go into the general fund.
 - Bingo Day went very well. A lot of the prizes for the silent auction and the tea cup raffle were donated for the Clambake but were used for the Bingo since there was no Clambake this year. The silent auction and the tea cup raffle brought in \$1,040. The expenses were \$492 so the

net proceed were \$548. Dennis was asked if he could do another one and he said he would do one in the Spring, but there would not be a lot of prizes as there was this year.

- Children's Holiday Party will be December 1, 2018 at Company 1 starting at 1:00 p.m. Make sure all presents are at Company 1 before that day.

- **Members Survey Committee – Any Ozmun**

- The committee is done and is putting together a presentation for the January Board meeting.

Committee Executive Report – Andy Ozmun

- There are sign up sheets in the foyer. Please sign up for a committee and if you would like to chair one please contact Andy.

Good and Welfare: Pat Kiser is at St. Francis Hospital. She fell and broke her back.

Steward's Report – Rick Solari

- The department is changing from red ties to black ties. If anyone needs a black tie please contact Rick. He will be ordering them soon.

Secretary's Vote – John Ryan

- There were two board seats open, but only one person applied. Ray Crozier reapplied to stay on the Board and no one else came forward for the open seat that was open from Rob Shillington's seat.
- Secretary Ryan voted to accept Ray Crozier on the Board for a 3-year term.

Board Open Seats Applicants – John Ryan

- There are now three open seats on the Board. The open seats are from Tad Green who has moved to Retired Veteran, Matt Polesel who is going back to school and cannot devote his time to the Board at this time and the last one is the one to fill Rob Shillington's open Board seat. Anyone interested please send in a letter of intent to HQ. John Ryan will put out an email with further information.

Jim Keith asked if the Deputy Chiefs are mentioned in the By-Laws as officers. He was told that not specifically, but the Board is looking into changing that By-Law to reflect Deputy Chief positions,

Officers Reports:

- Chief Trick had Avery Turner come up and gave him a Chief's Challenge Coin for a great job helping the Explorers where they had to be and letting them know what jobs they had for the State Convention and Parade Weekend. Congratulations to you Avery Turner. Great Job!
- Chief Trick addressed the membership about his 8 years as chief.

Assistant Chief Bruce Appell Report:

- **Capital Improvement Budget**

- The budget was presented to the Town Council on November 14, 2018.
 - The primary focus is putting money into all stations and a storage building at the MH Rhodes property. The amount that was requested was \$500,00 each year for 3 years to work on Company 1 4th bay and renovations to all stations to make them more inviting to members to spend time at the stations.
 - Replacing Rescue 8 and Truck 16.

- **Town Referendum:**

- December 12, 2018 there will be a town referendum for the new radio system upgrade and the artificial turf and new track at the high school. If these are passed, then the town will go out for bonding which will help the department with the town having the money for those projects.

- **Operating Budget:**
 - We have gone in with a 5.1% increase over last years budget. Instead of the town having 2 budget accounts for the department grant Assistant Chief Kline asked them to combine the Fire Stations and Firefighting Accounts into one account. Assistant Chief Kline will be working on reducing the number of accounts that are currently being used in our budget to simplify our accounting.
- **Truck 13**
 - Should be in before Thursday 11/22/18 at Company 2. Out to Sign Pro for graphics right now.
- **Reorganization of Department:**
 - Flow chart was shown and discussed. Still a work in progress. Once it is finished it will be posted in all the stations.
- **Captain Dave Bourgoin:**
 - Congratulated Ray Crozier for passing his Q2 test.
- **Captain Adam Corrado:**
 - Introduced the new members of the Medical Division:
 - Margie Bourgoin
 - Trina Manganello
 - Laurie Mucciciarro
 - Nanaz Khosroshahi (in process of becoming a member)
 - Tracy Beloin (in process of becoming a member)
 - Robert Miller (in process of becoming a member)
 - Susan Miller (in process of becoming a member)
 - Toxic Exposure Reports are in binders at all stations. Please make sure you fill one out even if you're not sure you were exposed to any toxic elements.
 - PPQ for those that need it will have to be done before December 31, 2018. Please contact your captains if you need to do this.
- **Captain Ramona Mansfield:**
 - Live burn will be next Monday November 26, 2018. Please try to get there by 6:00 p.m. or as close to 6 as you can. All stations are doing the live burn.

Pot O' Gold – \$6.37 Dave Bourgoin
Attendance - \$10.00 Andy Ozmun
AVFD Throw Blanket – Jay McCaffrey

Adjourned: 21:25