

Minutes

The regular business meeting of the Bergen County Fire Prevention and Protection Association was called to order on April 14, 2010 at 7:30 P.M. by President T.E. Simpson at the Closter Firehouse. 60 total were in attendance including all officers.

An informative presentation was made by Mr. P. Dansbach regarding the retrofit code and night clubs.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as read following a motion by Chief Raush, 2nd. by Mr. Walis.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Dansbach reported that with the last reported balance being \$6,946.37, deposits being \$1,593.00 and disbursements being \$750.00; our current balance is \$ 7,789.37. The report was accepted following a motion by Mr. Elenio Sr., 2nd. by Mr. Elenio Jr..

DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY REPORT: Mr. Elenio has posted and submitted a written report for the record.

COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT: Mr. Hennig reported progress.

COUNTY COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Mr. Rausch reported that the U.A.S.E. group will be providing "red" pagers to full-time fire service personnel so designated by respective municipalities and approved by the County. All such persons shall be properly trained in radiation detection. Persons with Disabilities training now required is available on-line at N.J. Learn. Pamphlets including log-in information are available as this training is not available otherwise. N.F.I.R.s non-compliant jurisdictions have been reported to the State. Grants can often depend on such compliance.

N.J. STATE FIRE PREVENTION ASSOCIATION: V.P. Silvia reported progress.

COMMITTEES:

Posters- Mr. Silverman reported on winners. Problems arose where certain departments submitted an excessive amount of posters. All but division 5 yielded winners, all have been submitted to the State level.

Merchandise- Various items are still available.

Fire Safety Trailer- Chief Rausch reported that \$80,000 is available from the County to purchase 2 trailers. The chief will attend the Harrisburg Fire Show to obtain quotes for these propositions. The Elmwood Park Fire Prevention Bureau donated \$400.00 towards this cause.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Simpson expressed gratitude to all especially Chief Raush for contributing helpful efforts to the Association. All jurisdictions are strongly urged to be N.F.I.R.s compliant. All Bergen County L.E.A.s have filed current reports.

UNFINISHED BUISNESS: None reported.

NEW BUISNESS: Mr. Elenio commended Mr. McGrath Sr. and Mr. McGrath Jr, on their collective years in the fire service so reported in First Responder. Mr. McGrath inquired to the treasurer regarding dinner ticket cost being included with dues vouchers. Mr. Dansbach will investigate and advise. Mr. Silvia reported that the Consumer Product Safety Commission is recalling name brand voltage testers which have proved to malfunction. Such devices have been manufactured since September of 2009.

FIREMEN'S HOME: Mr. McGrath is President of the Bergen County Firemen's Home Association. Residency at the home costs \$850 monthly without the seizure of personal assets. Donations are always appreciated as such funds are used solely for the guests. All are welcome and encouraged to attend a Bergen County Sunday.

A motion by Mr. Silverman, 2nd. by Mr. Elenio Sr. was accepted to forward \$500 the Bergen County Firemen's Home Association.

GOOD and WELFARE: Frank Bocchino was hospitalized following a fall.

The meeting was adjourned following a motion made by Mr. Frey, 2nd. by Mr. Walis.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angelo Castronovo
Sec'y, B.C.F.P.P.A.