

WASHINGTON COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE AND
RESCUE ASSOCIATION

The regular meeting of the Washington County Fire and Rescue Association was held on March 20, 2008 at Williamsport Fire and EMS Company.

The meeting was called to order by President Glenn Fishack. Jason Baer gave the invocation and lead in the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL - All member companies were present except Company 10 and 19. All officers were present except the Secretary, Chaplain and Assistant Treasurer.

GUEST:

Doug Mullendore, Sheriff, reported: A. There will be a meeting on March 26, at the Pleasant Valley School concerning the tower on Keep Tryst Road. Support is needed at that meeting. B. He has received complaints about the emergency vehicles being driven to fast and in a reckless manner. Please remind all drivers that it is important to get there safely. C. The radio project is progressing and is on schedule to go on line the 1st quarter of 2009.

Kevin Lewis, DFES, reported: A. Copies of his report are on the table up front. B. He thanked all the people who participated in the fire suppression in Boonsboro. He commented that the post incident analysis was probably the best he has seen in his 25 years in the fire service. C. He had a short budget presentation with the BOCC. He will have another session soon. D. Financial reports are due from companies who operate on a calendar year budget. Only the two EXCEL reports on the thumb drives and a statement on Company stationery are needed. E. The Elliott Parkway facility should be available in July. F. Consolidated Dispatch is progressing. G. Several drills are coming up: Greg is planning a Hazmat drill and Phil Ridenour is planning a drill at the airport on April 19. Contact Phil or Greg for more information. H. Grant opportunities are being worked on. I. Brigitte has information in the report concerning Protocol Rollout Train the Trainer training. There is also information concerning the Star of Life.

Jennifer Barciz, Washington County Fire Queen reported: A. The County Ladies Auxiliary has been supporting her, but additional assistance will be necessary. B. The State Queen Contest is on Monday of the Convention at 3:45 p.m.. Please come and support the Queen.

Steve Heefner asked if the Association had money to support the queen. Glenn said that the Association will support the queen as needed. If additional help is needed, he will get back to the Association.

MINUTES: Dan Grove made a motion to approve the February minutes as written. Harry Gossard seconded the motion and the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The P & L Statement is in the packet. The bank balance is \$8381.86.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chief's: The minutes of the meeting are in the packets.

Computer: Skip reported that there have been problems with the Fire Reports. They are now due on the third Thursday of the succeeding month. A form with directions for transmitting the reports is in the packet. Please see that the Chief receives this form. It is very important that the directions are followed.

LOSAP: A very important meeting of the Coordinator and Assistant Coordinators will be held on March 31 at Company 2 at 1900. There will be a presentation by the County.

EMS: Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

Fire Police: Doug Snow wanted to clarify that the money given to the child was money paid by each of the Fire Police for the meal. Company 12 donated the meal to the Fire Police.

Property: Charlie Shindle reported that a contract has been let to insulate the office. Ellsworth Company will wrap the HVAC ducts and insulate the building for \$700.

Standards: A. All companies need to get Chief Officer credentials into the office. B. Standard Dispatch for Airport and Other Large Incidents are in the packet and will be voted on at the next meeting.

Legislative: A report is in the packet.

Picnic: Tickets were distributed at this meeting. Each Company received 10 tickets. The money or the tickets are due back at the June meeting. If the unsold tickets are not returned, the Company will be charged for them. If the tickets are purchased and used the money will be returned to the Company. If more than 10 tickets are

required for a Company see the committee, the money for more than 10 will not be returned.

OLD BUSINESS: No new business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS: A. Mr. Blake of Company 7 announced that a Fund Raiser was going to be held to benefit the Chris Nicholson Memorial Fund. A memorial will be built in the park in Smithsburg. The money bonanza will be held

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at Company 2 on April 5. Tickets are \$20 and are available at Susquehanna Bank. Leiter's will cater the event. B. There was a motion by Harry Gossard seconded by Dan Grove to change the June meeting to June 12 because of the Convention. The motion passed. C. Dave Irvin thanked the Chaplain for attending his father's viewing and for the card. D. Harry Gossard made a motion to purchase an American-made auto for the President's use. The motion was seconded by Dolores Boward. The motion Passed. E. The President announced that the Chief's and the EMS Committee members were given packets for physicals. A P. O. Number will be needed to get a physical. If there are any problems contact Rick Blair.

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

NEXT MEETING: THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT ENGINE 5 HOSTED BY ENGINE 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Murray
Secretary