WASHINGTON COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE
AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held on September 19, 2019 at Engine 4.

The meeting was called to order by President Moncrief at 1930. Chaplain Horst led the prayer and Pledge. All companies except Company 5 were present. All officers except the Chaplain and Assistant Treasurer.

GUESTS:

Tom Brown, DFES, reported: A. Flu shots are available. Contact the office and they will come to the Company meeting to give them.

Ben Kurtz, Candidate 2 VP MSFA, spoke.

Hobby Howell, Candidate for Trustee MSFA, spoke.

Chuck Walker, 1VP MSFA reported: A. The Trustee manual was rewritten. B. Exec Meeting this weekend. C. Social Media and Sexual Harassment to be adopted. D. Soft launch of MSFA website soon. E. 4 Exec mtgs. / year. 1st one at OC at Convention.

Jon Hart, DES, reported: A. Have not heard from Safer Grant. B. Turn Out Gear 1st of Oct. BOCC to approve from Fire Store. C. Working to revamp Physicals and Fit Testing. Fit Test to be done at Health@Work w/Physical. No Physical done at a station. D. Dave and Sara are refining the Accounting Reporting. E. Knox Box being refined. F. MOU between City and County is being changed. G. Request from Steve Ganley, BOE, to preplan Schools. This to be referred to Chief’s Committee. Request that most work be done when students are not there.

MINUTES: Minutes accepted as corrected. Date of Remembrance in the Park should read September 10.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING: A. A meeting of all Company Presidents and Treasures was held at Engine 4 on September 5, 2019, to learn how to enter data to SEK for reimbursement.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chaplain: Doug DeHaven's mother passed and will be buried Saturday @ 1300.

Chiefs: Meeting Thursday night.

Tech Ed: 20 students enrolled. Completed SCBA. Start new HazMat curriculum class on Monday. Committee meeting on Tuesday.

EMS: Waiting on audit. Full audit of all EMS companies by County to begin soon.

Legislative: List of bills passed last session in packet. Locally Fire Tax discussion is taking place. Gaming Funds could be in jeopardy.

LOSAP: August thru October processing applications. See page 15-16 for schedule. All Coordinators must be sworn in by Clerk of Court by 2020.

R and R: Chandler announced a 1st Responder Prayer Service at St. Marie Goretti on 9/30 @ 1045. REV Committee to be reorganized.

Training: Questionnaire in packet on pp 52-58 from Todd Dyke.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. MOU between City of Hagerstown and BOCC is being revised. If anyone has questions or suggestions contact President Moncrief.

B. A question about how box dispatches are being changed was asked and discussed. No final answers were presented.

C. Social Media Policy was brought up again. There are questions about how it will be enforced and how punishment will be handled. Contact President Moncrief with comments and changes. Motion was made to table for 3 months and have lawyer revue document. PASSED
NEW BUSINESS:
A. President appointed a Nominating Committee for 2020-2021 Election. Dave Irvin, Dale Martin and Blaine Snyder. Anyone wishing to run for office should contact one of them before October 11. Nominations will be presented at the October 17 meeting. At that time nominations will be accepted from the floor. If the person being nominated from the floor is not present there must be written permission presented before the nomination is accepted. The Election will be held at the November 21 meeting. The new slate will take office on January 1, 2020.

GOOD OF ASSOCIATION:  

B. Preparedness Day at Lowes on 9/28 from 1000-1400.

C. Ribbon Cutting for Little Meritus Medical Center at Children's Village on 10/2, 1630-1730.

D. Make a Difference Breast Cancer Screening see page 22 in packet.

E. Keep Ernie Truax and Dennis Huffer in your thoughts.

F. Co 11 Pot Pie dinner Saturday at 1600.

G. Review River Box Cards in packet on pp. 61-68.

NEXT MEETING:  THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT CO4 CLEAR SPRING ON OCTOBER 17, 2019 AT 1900. FOOD WILL BE SERVED.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Murray, Secretary