

**2 nd Quarter Meeting of the**  
**Old Fire Farts of York County PA**

April 22, 2018 at the Dover Twp. Fire & Rescue Sta. #9

- Meeting was called to order by President Roy Gentzler at 13:00 hours. There were 9 members present.
- Pledge of allegiance was given followed by a moment of silence for those in the military and public service who have given the ultimate sacrifice.
- Last Meeting Minutes, the Secretary read the minutes of our Annual Meeting held on January 20, 2018 at Lincolnway Fire Co. Sta. 505. The minutes were approved by Paul Hoover and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Isaac Burke.
- Treasurer's Report, no report due to the absence of the Treasurer.
- Secretary Communications, a report of communications:
  - \* He read a thank you letter from the Greater Hanover Area Fire Museum for our donation of \$500.00.
  - \* He gave a report on our Flea Market and indicated that everyone was very happy with the location. He did not have a financial report on what was made. \* He attended the Mt Airy Flea Market and sold a lot of merchandise at the event. All monies were turned over to the Treasurer.
  - \* We held a breakfast on April 14<sup>th</sup> and had 24 members in attendance. We sold a lot of shirts and a patch and collected several memberships.
  - \* The Secretary has several items under New Business.
- Members-At-Large, Dolly Hoover had no report.
- Vice-President, there was no report due to his absence.
- President, had no report.
- Committee Reports:
  - \* Financial Report, no report due to absence of Treasurer
  - \* Scholarship Report, Bob reported that John Senft, Scholarship Committee, was approached by a donor who would like to give us money for two scholarships in honor of Ivan and Zach. I shared information with John about our program and he was going back to the donors.
  - \* Preservation & Historical Report, Dick Lehr is working with Bill Newbould to get the old Engine 14 fixed by Penn Waste at no cost to the Old Fire Farts

or the York History Center. A meeting is planned for May 1<sup>st</sup> to move the project forward.

\* Public Relations / Communications Report, Bob will begin to promote our Scholarship Program starting in early May. We have already begun a promotion of our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual York Fire Muster.

- Old Business: Greg Halpin gave an update on the creation of our Web-Site. It is up and ready it is Old Fire Farts.Org Greg asked for approval to pay the cost for 2 years at \$28.34 then \$20 /yr. after that. It was approved Bob Straw and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dolly Hoover.
- New Business:
  - \* Bob Straw explained the new Muster Safety Rules that has been approved by SPAAMFAA. There was some discussion and it was determined that we already cover the new rules and the change will be made to our Muster Rules to be in sync with National. This was approved by a motion from Greg Halpin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dick Lehr.
  - \* Robb Green submitted a request in writing that we as a group and individually ask for our Congressman Scott Perry to support HR 3918. This bill amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to include a fire police officer within the definition of “public safety officer” for purposes of death benefits under the Public Safety Officers’ Benefits program. This bill change was submitted on Oct.13, 2017 to a Subcommittee and has no action taken to date.
  - \* We received an e-mail from Jeff Kirchner from Wrightsville about a donation to the Old Fire Farts of 100-150 police and fire vehicles to us. These are all in perfect condition and are Road Champs and Corgi Trucks. Their sales value is from \$5 to \$25 and Ladder Trucks sell for \$75. It was suggested after much discussion that we look into this offer and get more details like where we can store them, we would need to get a Tax # because we would now be selling taxable items. Greg suggested that we could use them for our Christmas Party. Bob will check and get more information.
- SPAAMFAA NATIONAL CONVENTION: Several members will be attending the SPAAMFAA Convention in Cherry Hill, NJ. The Old Fire Farts will have an ad in the Convention Booklet and will have a Flea Market Table. It was

approved to pay for the Ad and Flea Market Table at this event approved by Harold Reinhold and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dick Lehr.

- Open Floor Discussion:

- \* Dick Lehr reminded everyone that the York City Fire & Rescue Memorial Service is April 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in front of the St. Matthews Church on West Market St. just passed the York Fire Museum.

- \* Dolly Hoover thought that the Memorial Service at the York Expo Center for the LODD Firefighters was organized very well and paid tribute to Ivan and Zach. She was happy to see so many Old Fire Farts there.

- Next Quarterly meeting is Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at Eddie Schwartz's Museum. This will be our Annual Picnic and we will be socializing with members of the Union Historical Fire Society at Eddie's beginning at 10 am. Our Picnic will kick off at Noon and our meeting will follow our meal about 1:30 pm.

- Adjournment was asked for by Dick Lehr and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg Halpin and at 2:40 our President Roy adjourned.