

# Old Fire Farts of York County Quarterly Meeting October 20, 2019 Rescue Fire Co. No. 1, Dallastown, PA

### **Presentation**

Frank Tremel (President) and James Derstine (Trustee) from SPAAMFAA presented Rescue Fire Co. No. 1 the Preservation Award for their 1948 Mack engine.

#### **Call to Order**

President-elect Kraig Herman called the meeting to order and called for the Pledge to the Flag and a Moment of Silence. There were 13 members present for the meeting.

# **Reading and Approval of Minutes**

The July 2019 Quarterly Meeting minutes as posted on the web and Facebook pages were read by Bob Sells.

Dolly Hoover made a motion to approve the minutes. Keith Stamets seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

# **Officer's Reports**

#### **Treasurer**

Paul Hoover gave the treasurer's report.

Dolly Hoover made a motion to accept the report. Erick Sanford seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

### Secretary

Bob Sells reminded everyone that 2020 annual dues can now be sent in. Bob Straw noted that Bob's contact information is now on the bottom of the application and renewal form.

### Members-At-Large

Dolly Hoover gave the Members-At-Large report. The muster was great with good weather. Attendance seemed to be down a bit. Some shirts left, but small sizes. She was Impressed with Hahn showing and the DJ did a good job. This event is something to be proud of.

Bob Sells commented on the awards given to Strinestown FC and DJ.

#### **President-Elect**

Kraig Herman had no President-Elect's report, but di apologize to group for the ruckus that he caused just before the muster due to personal issues.

### **President**

President Gentzler was not present.



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# **Committee Reports**

Financial (Paul Hoover): No additional report.

Scholarship Fund (Glenn Jansen): Not present.

**PR/Communication (Bob Sells)**: Bob Straw and Greg Halpin are working on getting the Facebook page and website info to match up. Bob Straw has talked to the gentleman (NJ state assemblyman) who has rights to the Ward LaFrance license (old parts, etc.). He wants to meet with muster group next month about funding next year's muster.

Greg Halpin and Bob Straw were at the York History Center Oyster feed with an old Gamewell box, fire rattle, and other historical items to show. \$25 was received in boot donations for the fire museum memorial restoration.

**Scholarships:** John Senft reported that Glenn Jansen has resigned as the chairman. One scholarship was selected and announced at the county convention in August. \$3,845 awarded for the year. Bob Straw suggested that the President appoint a new Chair and add a replacement member for the committee. Bob Straw noted the money received from the disbanded Firefighter's Association of York Co. Ladies Aux. needs to be located and moved to a restricted account.

**Preservations/Hist. Ref. (Ed Swartz):** Kraig Herman noted that he was at the Fire Museum yesterday. Tony & Brandon Sawyer were there trying the get the Grantley Buffalo started. All are welcome to help get things cleaned up.

Org. Safety Officers (Kraig Herman): No report.

York Fire Muster (Bob Straw): 58 trucks, 19 of them Hahns, were shown. Former workers from the Hahn factory judged the trucks. Trophies were paid for by 1-800-Boardup. 6 food vendors and 20 flea market vendors attended. Aerial photos were taken by Erick Sanford. Mike Whitzel was Smokey the Bear. Downtown, Cannonball Charlies and Sparky were there. The Kids Corner was a success (hose roll, stuffed animal rescue, Hornet water hose fire attack). Let's keep getting more businesses to donate to reduce costs.

**Audit (Bob Straw):** All money was accounted for. Money was found in the General Fund that should be in Restricted Funds. Paul Hoover will create a spreadsheet to separate and track each account. Bob Straw recommended that an audit review be done at the end of June every year.

Bylaws (John Senft): No meetings have been held.

### **Old Business**

Bob Straw discussed current By-Laws 2-year terms and term-limits (originally recommended by CGA Law Firm). The Bylaws Committee will be reviewing these.

# **New Business**

Bob Straw reported that SPAAMFAA has asked our chapter to host the Winter 2021 meeting (mid-March?). He has already met with the York Convention and Visitors Bureau representative (will take care of registrations, setting up tours, etc.) and York History Center representative (willing to open downtown historical buildings and plan tours). The event will be held at Wyndam Garden for 350



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people. Two tours (Thu & Fri) and a mini-muster inside with hand pumpers, flea market, and modelers will be planned. Costs will be mostly covered by registrations and SPAAMFAA reservations for meeting rooms. We need to submit a bid to SPAAMFAA to host. Paul Hoover noted that he has helped with these meetings before and they are a bit of work, but very rewarding. Keith Stamets made a motion to host the 2012-2021 SPAAMFAA winter convention, Bob Reilly seconded the motion. Discussion followed on meal options. The motion was approved.

Kraig asked that anyone Interested in serving on a convention committee contact him.

Officer openings for 2020 are President-elect and Board member. The President will need to appoint a Nominations Committee.

# **SPAAMFAA Chapter Update**

See New Business.

#### **Open Floor Discussion**

Dick Staub with Rescue Fire Co. thanked OFFYC for submitting their 1948 Mack for the SPAAMFAA Preservation Award. Bob Straw noted that it is only the 5<sup>th</sup> award given nationwide.

### **Next Quarterly Meetings**

Christmas Party – December 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM at Hanover Fire Museum. OFF to provide meats and members to bring covered dishes. Wrapped children's gifts to be wrapped for Santa.

Annual Meeting – January 19, 2020 at West York Hoss's with dinner at 6:00 and meeting at 7:00.

President-elect Kraig Herman called for an adjournment which was seconded by Erick Sanford and the motion was approved.

Respectfully Recorded,

Robert A. Sells

Secretary