



**Old Fire Farts of York County  
Quarterly Meeting  
January 21, 2024**

**Hoss's Steak and Sea House, 3604 East Market Street, York, PA**

**Call to Order**

President Neil Gunnet called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. with 14 members and guests in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a Moment of Silence was held.

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the October 22, 2023 meeting were read by the Secretary. The minutes were approved on a motion by Jeff Stauffer, seconded by Dick Staub.

**Officers Reports**

**Treasurer**

Bob Straw read the Treasurer's report. He discussed the CD currently at Members 1<sup>st</sup> credit union. He will bring it up later in the meeting for a motion. Bob reported we made \$264 on the Unication G4 pager raffle. The report was approved on a motion by Ron Emenheiser, seconded by Harold Reinhold. Bob also reported on the Secretary's debit card for People's Bank, which was activated prior to the meeting.

**Secretary**

Greg Halpin reported annual membership dues are now payable and must be paid by March 31<sup>st</sup>. He also reported he would like to get a newsletter completed and sent out shortly. If anyone has anything for the newsletter, get it to him ASAP.

**Vice President**

Dick Staub, nothing to report.

**President**

Neil Gunnet apologized that he was unable to attend the last meeting. He reported that last year he was a judge at the CAFAA muster in Maryland and was impressed by the staff shirts they used. That was why he had suggested getting staff shirts for the SPAAMFAA convention and muster. Neil also asked if we want to get members of other organizations to help with the SPAAMFAA convention and muster. A discussion followed on staff shirts/vests for our events. Neil also reported that he assisted with the train garden at the Greater Hanover Fire Museum, which brought 4,300 guests to the museum throughout the event.

**Directors-At-Large**

Greg Moul was not in attendance. Harold Reinhold was in attendance. No report.



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### Committee Reports

**Financial:** Bob Straw reported that the Members 1<sup>st</sup> CD matures in February. He suggests to roll-over \$5,000 into a new 15 month CD at 5.25% interest, and moving the remainder into the savings account, which he can then transfer to Peoples Bank for liquid finances for the convention.

- **MOTION** by Harold Reinhold, seconded by Ron Emenheiser, to approve the proposal for the CD. Motion carried.

**Communications:** Bobby Sawyer asked about raffling off another Unication pager, this time a G5 pager, and to run the raffle through the SPAAMFAA convention.

Greg Halpin reported that he has an updated SPAAMFAA convention page for the web site and has been waiting to hear back from Bob Straw. Bob provided updated information prior to the meeting.

**Scholarship:** No report.

**Preservations/Historical Reference:** No report.

Bob Straw talked about fire museum donations.

**Flea Market:** Jeff Stauffer suggests that we skip a flea market for early this year, due to the SPAAMFAA convention. He said we may want to consider one for the fall.

**Benevolent:** Bob Straw reported that no members have passed since our last meeting. He also reported that Frank Tremel, SPAAMFAA president, is doing fine.

**Christmas Party:** Bob Straw sent a thank you to the caterer.

**Trailer:** Bob Straw reported that the trailer is at the fire school. He has the pink slip for the title but has not received the title yet. Patti Webb reported that she will need information off the pink slip for the insurance.

**York Fire Muster:** Jeff Stauffer reported that the 2024 muster will be a part of the SPAAMFAA convention.

**Org. Safety Officer:** Jeff Stauffer, no report.

### Old Business

**2024 Convention:** Bob Straw reported that SPAAMFAA will allow him to speak at the meeting about the ATHS fiasco. The welcoming dinner will be at St. Matthew Church, Ginger Babies of North York will be the caterers. Three bus trips are scheduled. The host Hotel is the Four Points by Sheraton York. Overflow hotel will be the Tru by Hilton York. The SPAAMFAA dinner will be Saturday night at Union Hose firehouse in Dover.

**Dover Township Bingo:** We do not have any more bingo games scheduled.



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**Pager Raffle:** Bobby Sawyer asked if we can get PayPal or Venmo for selling raffle tickets and other payment needs. President Gunnet said we can use his, but there was a question of 501(c)(3) funds going into a personal account. Bob will check with Peoples bank to see what they suggest/recommend. ZRick Witten suggested that we also check with Members 1st.

- **MOTION** by Bobby Sawyer, seconded by Mike Gladfelter, to raffle a Unication G5 pager. Motion carried.

**Auction at SPAAMFAA Convention:** Bob Straw reported on the auction at the convention. He reported that we need items to be auctioned. Some items have already been received.

**Officers' Bond:** Patti Webb reported that the bond has been switched to another agency.

**New Business**

None.

**SPAAMFAA Chapter Update**

Jeff Stauffer reported that membership dues have increased. He suggested that we may want to switch officer reimbursement to the digital membership level.

**Open Floor Discussion**

None.

**Next Meeting**

Next meeting will be on Sunday, April 14, 2024. President Gunnet asked for suggestions for location. Greg Halpin suggested Hoss's West York as a change of pace. Patti Webb said she will contact Hoss's to see if we can have the meeting there.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gregory C. Halpin*  
Secretary