

Volunteer Firemen's Association of Cambria County & Vicinity

The meeting of the Volunteer Firemen's Association of Cambria County and Vicinity was hosted by the Reade Township Volunteer Fire Department, April 25, 2019 with the President Christopher Cox presiding.

President Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

President Cox gave the opening prayer for the meal and the meeting.

Members in attendance stood for the pledge of allegiance.

At this time President Cox ask for a short recess for the meal to be served that was prepared by the members of the Reade Township Volunteer Fire Department.

At 7:20 President Cox reconvened the meeting with asking for the previous meeting minutes be read at this time. President Cox ask for a motion to accept the previous meetings minutes. Lenny Whiteford of Patton made a motion to accept the previous minutes as read, and with a proper 2nd by Ben Huether of Hope, the motion was carried.

Communications: Membership Dues from Hastings Fire Company, Arnold Fire Company.

Reading of the Monthly Bills by Treasurer Paul Kundrod:

General Fund

Precision Business Solutions	\$ 92.76	Web Site Updates
Pallone Insurance Agency	\$ 250.00	Bond Renewal
Selective Insurance Co. of America	\$1,402.00	Quarterly Premium

Fire School

William Cornell	\$ 142.58	FS Reimburses/meals, stationary
Penelec*	\$ 413.78	April Electric
Conemaugh Hospital	\$ 200.00	FS CPR Class
Scott King	\$ 300.00	PA RAMP Class @ FS
Hugills Roll Off	\$ 309.32	Dumpster
CMP Energy	\$1,537.83	Site Fuel
Lowes Charge	\$ 517.27	Charges / Water
Lacue Sunoco	\$ 47.00	Gasoline
Vern Fulton	\$ 682.51	Repairs / E 402

*Denotes Paid Already

Death Fund

Cresson Vol. Fire Co.	\$ 275.00	Benefit for Robert Latoche (Station 70)
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Total Expenses: \$6,170.05

Motion by Bruce Moriconi of Hope to pay the monthly bills, with a proper 2nd by Tom Callahan of Ashville motion was carried.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Paul Kundrod read the Treasurer Report. With a copy on file with the Secretary. Motion by Mark Coleman of Beaverdale. to accept the Treasurer's report as read, and with a proper 2nd by Jim Bloom of Dauntless. Motion was carried.

Committee Reports:

Law & Legislative: No report given

Fire School: Jim McCann reported that the 3rd weekend of fire school will be finishing up for the year this weekend with Vehicle Tech Rescue, Pump 2, Structure Burn Session, Wilderness Search and Rescue, and Emergency Vehicle Drivers Training. Essentials at the West Hills location will be finishing up on Sunday May 5, 2019 with the interior burn.

Fire School Site: Granis Brothers will be storing their pipe on our fire school property. Also, there will be more asphalt road millings delivered to the site for the parking areas.

Certification: Jim McCann read William Cornell's report on Certifications; There will be two FF I test, and two FF 2 open test given. Information of these are listed on the Web Site. There will be two closed FF I test given also one in Reade Twp. and a second in Clymer.

Web Site: Darrin Smith also read the report of the Web Site for William Cornell; The updates for the 2019 convention schedule and events are listed, the new email addresses have been moved to the new Office 365 Outlook and now we can access them with our smart phones.

Historical: Treasure Paul Kundrod read the report for Nick Wuckovich of Conemaugh; There where a total of 100 extra books purchased from Staples and will be picked up right away at a price of \$30.00 each.

911 EMA: No Report given

EMA: No Report given

Fire Advisory Board: Steve Verbosky of Colver reported that the next meeting will be on June 25, 2019.

Resolutions: President Cox read the resolutions of past Member Robert Latoche from Cresson Volunteer Fire Company, Station "70" and at this time all members in attendance stood in one minute of total silence for our departed member.

County Convention: Darrin Smith 1st Vice President mentioned that the convention will be held the week of July 27th through August 3, 2019. He also mentioned the all the Convention Booklet request will be sent out in the mail, so he is asking that everyone please have their fire companies respond with an ad so to help out the host company.

Delegates Report: Paul Skoldowski report that the Central District Spring board meeting will be held in Clymer on May 5th with committee meeting starting at 1:30 and the regular meeting starting at 2:00 pm. Also, the Central District Convention will be held in Clymer August 15, 16, & 17 of this year.

Roll Call of Officers: President Christopher Cox, 1st Vice President Darrin Smith, 2nd Vice President Jim McCann, Treasurer Paul Kundrod, Secretary John C. Gromley, Assistant Secretary Jeff Gromley, all were present. Assiatant Treasurer Eric Miller was absent.

Roll Call of Companies: 15 Total Companies Present; Ashville, Beaverdale, City of Johnstown, Clymer, Colver, Dauntless, Ferndale, Gallitzin, Hastings, Hope, Lilly, Loretto, Patton, Reade Twp., St. Michael.

Old Business: President Cox spoke briefly about the meeting the executive officers had with the surrounding land owners of the Fire School Site. President Cox mentioned he would table this subject until there are more members present at another meeting.

New Business: A letter from the Arnold Fire Company was read for our association to place an ad in the Western District ad booklet. After a short discussion it was noted that we do not place an ad in other association booklets unless the member hosting the convention is a member in good standings in our association.

Good of the Order: Jeff Gromley Assistant Secretary and Fire School Secretary will have to step down at the end of his term since accepting a position with the City Altoona Fire Department. Jeff has mentioned that he would like to endorse his younger brother Brett Gromley for this position. John Bem of Hastings called for a rising vote of thanks for the Spangler Volunteer Fire Company for hosting and providing the members in attendance with a meal.

Next Meeting: Will be held at the Colver Fire Company on Thursday May 23, 2019.

50/50 Amount awarded was \$23.00

Motion to Adjourn at 8: 15 p.m. by Ed Hudak of Beaverdale and properly 2nd by Jim Bloom of Dauntless.
Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

John C. Gromley

Assn. Secretary