

Cambria County Regional Firefighters Association

Cambria County Regional Firefighters Association monthly meeting was held in Beaverdale on Thursday, April 22, 2021 by the Beverdale Fire Co.

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

President McCann called for members in attendance to join him and stand for The Pledge of Allegiance, and a prayer for the meal.

President McCann called for a short recess for members of Beaverdale to serve the meal.

President McCann opened the meeting back up at 7:30 p.m.

President McCann asked for the minutes of the previous meeting be read. Corrections stated in meeting minutes that it was Jackson Twp. Water Rescue that had a Class A rating, but it was the Cambria County Water Rescue team that had the Class A rating. Motion to accept the last meeting minutes with correction made by Larry Penatzer of Summerhill Borough and with a proper 2nd by Mark Coleman of Beaverdale the motion was carried.

Communications: None for this meeting

Reading of the Monthly Bills: Treasurer Paul Kundrod read the monthly bills and with the Total Expenses of \$2,992.92 and a copy of the bills on file with the Secretary a motion to pay the bills by Bill Lehman of Richland and a proper 2nd by Rich Brown Jr. of Nanty Glo the motion was carried.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Paul Kundrod read the Treasurer's Report. A copy is on file with the Secretary. Motion by Richie Brown Jr. of Nanty Glo to accept the Treasurer's report as read, and with a proper 2nd by Bruce Moriconi of Hope, motion was carried.

Committee Reports:

Law & Legislative: 2nd Vice President Wuckovich read a report provided by John Bem of Hastings. It went over a number of House and Senate Bills. Motion by Ed Hudak of Beaverdale to have our Association support the Pennsylvania Fire Service Statewide Referendum. 2nd by Darrin Smith of St. Michael.

Fire School Training: President McCann covered the rules of the Fire Academy when your company would be using the Academy. You must submit an insurance certificate when using the Academy. He also went over the things that you cannot use for a nightly practice that would require an instructor.

Fire School Site: John Hawksworth of Dauntless reported that a lot of junk at the Fire School site had to be removed. It was mentioned that a number of individuals has been pitching in to help get the site cleaned up. Jim Bloom mentioned that there will be a DCNR Forestry class held at our site on May 1, 2021. DCNR will be strictly in charge of this class.

Certification: Closed test for FF1 has been posted on the website. It was reported that a lot of the skill stations for the FF1 test have been changed. All evaluators must go through an online training first and then move to a second part of the evaluators workshop before becoming evaluators.

Web Site: Secretary Gromley reported that the website is updated with the upcoming classes.

Centennial: Nick Wuckovich of Conemaugh reported next meeting is May 24, 2021 at the fire school site and a reminder that any department walking with 9 or more members will receive a plaque with a picture on it in recognition of the 100th anniversary. As of the 100th Convention in Patton any membering department individual may become a delegate.

5K/10K Race: Commissioner Chernisky gave a big overview on things that will be happening with the Race that will be held this year on July 10th on the Ghost Town Trail.

911 / EMA: June Kania reported that information is still needed for the Code Red system. They are asking for officers to update their fire company officers. Art is also asking for anyone that has foam in their fire stations to make a listing of it and contact him. He is also asking for anyone that is interested in being on the Honor Guard to let him know. Greg Schilling was in attendance with 18 foggers that have not been picked up by County departments. If you have not received yours, see him after the meeting. (See attachment for Sharp agreements that are still needed by EMA).

By-laws: Steve Verbosky of Colver reported that copies of the proposed by-law have been distributed and they are also posted on the website. Everything in red are the changes that have been made. Steve made a motion that the proposed by-laws have been properly proposed for the first reading. Second by Mark Coleman of Beaverdale. Motion carried. Second reading will take place in Roaring Springs on May 27, 2021.

Fire Advisory Board: Next meeting to be held in June.

Resolutions: Past President Paul Sklodowski read resolution for Ronald Weaver of Patton. All members stood for one minute of silence for our past member.

County Convention: No report given.

Delegates Report: Central District will hold their next meeting in Shellsburg, PA on Sunday May, 2.

Roll Call of Officers: President Jim McCann, 1st Vice President Nick Wuckovich, 2nd Vice President Mike Petrisko, Treasurer Paul Kundrod, Secretary John C. Gromley were all present. Assistant Treasurer Eric Miller and Assistant Secretary Brett Gromley were absent.

Roll Call of Companies: 19 Total Companies reporting; Beaverdale, Carrolltown, City of Johnstown, Clymer, Colver, Conemaugh, Dauntless, Franklin, Ferndale, Hope, Keystone Regional, Nanty Glo, Patton, Portage, Richland Twp, Scalp Level, Southfork, St. Michael, Summerhill Borough.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Nothing for this meeting.

Good of the Order: Nick Wuckovich made mention that Joe Hassen has donated \$250 towards the Scholarship fund. Secretary Gromley made mention that all nominations for awards must be turned in to the Secretary by June 24th meeting. The scholarship applications must be postmarked by July 1, 2021.

Next Meeting: Will be held in Friendship, Roaring Springs on May 27th.

50/50: \$47.00

President McCann asked for a rising vote of thanks for the members of the Beaverdale Fire Company for hosting the meeting.

With a motion to adjourn at 8:15 pm by Steve Verbosky of Colver and with a proper 2nd by Jim Bloom of Dauntless. Motion was carried.

President McCann deemed the meeting closed.

Respectfully Submitted,

John C. Gromley

Assn. Secretary

Sharp Agreements still needed:

1. Ashville Borough
2. Cassandra Borough
3. Conemaugh Twp
4. Cresson Borough
5. Dale Borough
6. E. Conemaugh Borough
7. Ebensburg Borough
8. Franklin Borough
9. Gallitzin Borough
10. City of Johnstown
11. Middle Taylor Twp
12. Reade Twp
13. Southmont Borough
14. Vintondale Borough

Information Requests we have:

(Already have these company information Code Red)

1. Franklin Fire
2. Hope Fire
3. Richland
4. Riverside
5. Southmont
6. Spangler
7. Summerhill Borough Fire