

Quarter Meeting of the
Old Fire Farts of York County PA

September 5, 2018 at the Hoss's on White St., West Manchester Twp.

- Dinner was held at 6 PM with 14 members and guests in attendance.
- Our Meeting was called to order by President Roy Gentzler at 19:00 hours. There were 12 members present.
- A Moment of Silence was held to honor those in the military and public service who have given the ultimate sacrifice.
- Last Meeting Minutes, Secretary, Bob Straw finally found and read the minutes of our July 15th meeting held at the Eddie Schwartz Fire Museum and residence. The minutes were approved by John Senft and 2nd by Dave Maletz.
- Treasurer's Report, no report due to the absence of the Treasurer, Witmer. Sec. Bob Straw had been sent a copy of the Treasurer's Report which he read. On July 31st we had \$15,634 with expenses of \$1,939 leaving us a balance of \$13,694. We had deposits of \$850 leaving our total reserves today 9/4 of \$14,544. The Treasurer's report was approved by Bill Newbould and 2nd by Bob Sells.
- Secretary Communications, a report of communications:
 - * Bob read a Thank You Note from Rebecca Parsons who received one of our \$1,500 scholarships.
 - * He gave a report on membership which shows 43 Active Members, 17 Life Members, 1 Organization for a total of 61 Members. We have 10 Members who didn't renew their memberships from 2017.
 - * The new Website, run by Greg Halpin and the Facebook Page, run by Bob Straw are keeping our social media up-to-date. We need to create a Tweeter link yet. Bob will work with Chief Michaels on getting something set up for Old Fire Farts on Tweeter.
- Members-At-Large, Dolly Hoover was absent and Bill Newbould had no report.
- Vice-President, there was no report due Kraig just getting out of the Hospital, he was absent.
- President, Roy had no report.
- Committee Reports:
 - * Financial Report, no report due to absence of Treasurer Witmer.
 - * Scholarship Report, Bob reported that we did receive a grades statement from Leslie Garner for her National Certification as an EMT-P. She was given a scholarship back in March. Bob stated that two \$1,500 Scholarships were given out. One to Rebecca Parsons from Airville Fire Co to attend Eastern Kentucky University to study Arson and Fire Investigation. The second one went to Christopher Hoagland from Dover Twp. Fire Dept. to study psychological and Social impact of Disasters on victims. He will be

attending Alvernia University in Reading, PA. John Senft from the Scholarship Committee was approached by the Local IAFF Union who would like to give us money for two scholarships in honor of Ivan and Zach. We have been working with them to put this in place for 2019. The Scholarship Committee need to meet with the Union representative again to settle any issues.

* Preservation & Historical Report, the fix for Old Friendship Eng. 14 fell apart so the Museum is looking at Thaddeus Stevens Tech school in Lancaster and with York Technical school in York. Dave and Dick indicated that they are working to get the Old Mack to the Fire Muster.

* Public Relations / Communications Report, we have already begun a promotion of our 5th Annual York Fire Muster on Sept. 30th on all media and also our Firefighter's Skills Challenge.

- Old Business:

* Greg Halpin is still looking for prices on Magnets for our member's apparatus. Bob will work with Mo-Patch to get a digital image of our patch to be used. Still some work to be done.

* SPAAMFAA has a new Restoration Awards Program. President Roy was asked to pick three people to look at the restoration project within our area that might be eligible for this National Award. Dillsburg's Model T Ford, Eddie has several pieces that are eligible, and Dallastown's Mack are all good candidates for this award. This was Tabled until the three people are appointed

* 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. There are no drones allowed on the Muster Site with the new guidance.

* 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, Corgi, Winross, Ertel, Code 3, and Match Box. There sales value is from \$10 to \$30 and some even up to \$50. We have now taken our second group and have sold over \$900.00 in collectables. Greg suggested that we could use them for our Christmas Party as well.

* SPAAMFAA NATIONAL CONVENTION: We had eight members attend the SPAAMFAA Convention in Cherry Hill, NJ. The Old Fire Farts had an ad in the Convention Booklet for our Muster and we had a Flea Market Table. I attended the Presidents Meeting and it was a power struggle over some issues. They had to call Hotel Security to keep it under control. Neil Gunnett loved the unique equipment that was there in the Parade.

- New Business:

Bob discussed the progress of the York Fire Muster to the group. We currently have 25 apparatus registered, 4 Food Vendors, and 7 Flea Market Vendors. **Eddie Schwartz** will

handle the Flea Market, **Neil Gunnett** will handle Pumping, **Bill Newbould** will handle Registration, **Paul Hoover** will handle set up and teardown, **we need someone** for Food Court, Safety, Kids Corner, and Skills Challenge. We have financial commitments for \$2,230.00 so far.

- Open Floor Discussion: Nothing from the floor.
- Next Quarterly meeting is tentatively either Saturday, Dec. 8th or 15th. This will be our Christmas Party and it will start at 1 PM. We will have a Cookie Exchange where everyone brings 1 dozen of their favorite cookies. They are put out on a large tray or pan. Ugly Christmas Sweater attire is suggested. At 2:30 PM we will eat our lunch which will be Fruit Cup or Apple Sauce, Salad, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Turkey and Ham, Rolls and Butter. Every family will bring a dessert to share with others. Beverages will be Lemonade, Ice Tea, Coffee, and some adult beverages. Santa will appear and he will be checking his naughty and nice list. More details will be forthcoming as soon as we firm up the location and date.
- Adjournment was asked for by Dick Lehr and 2nd by Dave Maletz at 20:45 and our President Roy adjourned.