



**Old Fire Farts of York County
Annual Meeting
January 27, 2019
Lincolnway Fire Co. Sta. #505**

Call to Order

President Roy Gentzler called the meeting to order and called for the Pledge to the Flag and a Moment of Silence. There were 17 members present for the meeting.

Proposed Slate of Officers

The following slate of officer nominations from the November 2018 meeting were presented by President Gentzler. Each position was opened for additional nominations, closed and approved by vote. There being no contested offices, President Gentzler asked Secretary Straw to cast the required vote.

President – Roy Gentzler, Remaining 1 year of 2-year term

Vice President /President- Elect – Kraig Herman, Remaining 1 year of 2-year term

Secretary – Robert Sells, 2-year term

Treasurer – Paul Hoover, 2-year terms beginning July 1, 2019 after Gregory Witmer's term ends

Member -at-Large – Delores (Dolly) Hoover, Remaining 1 year of 2-year term

Member-at-Large – Jeff Stauffer , 2-year term

Reading and Approval of Minutes

The November 2018 meeting minutes as posted on the webpage and Facebook page were read by Bob Straw. Jeff Stauffer made a motion to approve the minutes. Dolly Hoover seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Officer's Reports

Treasurer

Bob Straw gave the treasurer's report in Greg Witmer's absence, noting that he collecting membership renewals and applications and Greg is collecting the money. A Life Membership was paid by Greg Halpin. The current account balance is \$19,970.51. A \$300 check is needed for the insurance payment to SPAAMFAA. Kraig Herman made a motion to approve the expenditure and the treasurer's report. Greg Halpin seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Secretary

Bob Straw reported that the annual report for SPAAMFAA needs to be submitted before the Jan. 31st due date. The submission requires an insurance request form and payment of \$300. Roy Gentzler is listed as the group President and Kraig Herman is listed as the Safety Officer. Bob Sells will be listed as the Secretary and will receive all future correspondence. Kraig Herman made a motion to approve sending the report as noted. Dave Maletz seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

The 2019 Muster will be September 29th. Bob Straw is working with the County Convention Center to obtain blocks of hotel rooms.

The 2019 Flea Market is March 10th at Shiloh Fire Co. in their social hall and apparatus bay. There is no charge for us to use the facility and SFC will be running the kitchen. Set-up will start at 7:00 AM and doors will be open from 8:00 AM until 1:30 PM.



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Members-At-Large

Dolly Hoover noted that there were not as many children at the Christmas party , but that it was still very nice and she is glad that we are doing it.

John Senft noted that he would still like to make a field trip to see Gary Warren’s train display in Adams Co.

President-Elect

Kraig Herman advised that things are progressing.

President

Roy Gertzler had no report.

Committee Reports

The 2019 committee assignments were reviewed by President Gertzler:

Financial	Chairman (until July 1) – Gregory Witmer, Robb Green, Paul Hoover, Chuck Strouse
Scholarship Fund	Chairman – Glenn Jansen, Michael Whitzel, John Sanford, John Senft
PR/Communication	Chairman – Robert Sells, David Michaels, Greg Halpin, Robert Straw
Preservations/Hist. Ref.	Chairman – Eddie Swartz, David P. Maletz, Pete Ehrhart, Terry Fix
Org. Safety Officers	Kraig Herman & Jeff Stauffer
York Fire Muster	Kraig Herman, Robert Straw, Neil Gunnet, Richard Lehr, Jr.

Old Business

Bob Straw reported that proceeds from the 2018 Muster were \$3,865. Discussion followed on where to use these proceeds including fire museum monument repair , museum engine repair and donations to the Hanover and York Fire Museums. Discussion continued on a potential alarm room video for the York museum since the current alarm room is not ADA accessible and review of current operating expenses and creation of a budget before allocating all of the money. Bob Straw made a motion to donate \$800 to each fire museum earmarked for “maintenance of displays and artifacts” and to keep the remaining proceeds for future projects. Dave Maletz seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Bob Straw reported that the representative from the National Parks Service visited the York Fire Museum statue and is working on a cost estimate for repairs and will submit a report to Joan Mummert at the York County History Center. He also noted that other organizations are interested in assisting with the repair costs.

New Business

Bob Straw reported that he has set up the organization with Give Local York; a designated 24-hour donation period on May 3rd. \$150 has been paid to set up and register. Money can be pledged from



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organizations. Notices will be sent out by email blasts, Facebook shared posts, and possibly downtown displays during First Fridays.

We will be participating in the St. Patrick's Day parade with SPIN Network.

Bob Straw requested approval for SPAAMFAA \$30 membership dues for Secretary Sells. Jeff Stauffer made a motion to approve the request. Dolly Hoover seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

SPAAMFAA Chapter Update

Bob Straw reported that there are organization officer election ongoing issues and that the 2020 convention host has backed-out because of the issues.

Open Floor Discussion

John Senft reported that he saw our scholarship recipient Rebecca Perkins over her holiday break during training at Airville Fire Co.

John Senft reported that the North Charleston Fire Museum currently houses the America LaFrance museum and artifacts and suggested we may want to plan a trip there someday.

Greg Halpin reported that fellow OFF member Dave Michaels is retiring from the York City Fire Dept. at the end of the month. Greg also thanked Lincolnway Fire Co. for hosting the meeting.

Next Quarterly Meetings

April 7th at 6:00 PM at Lincolnway Fire Co.

July 14th at 10:00 AM at Ed Swartz's for a picnic and meeting to follow at 1:00 PM.

October 20th at 6:00 PM at location to be determined.

Christmas Party – December 8th at 1:00 PM at location to be determined.

President Gentzler called for an adjournment which was seconded by Kraig Herman and the motion passed.

Respectfully Recorded,

Robert A. Sells

Secretary