



**Old Fire Farts of York County
Quarterly Meeting
August 25, 2024**

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

Call to Order

Vice President Dick Staub called the meeting to order at 1:50 p.m. with 23 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 April 14, 2024 meeting were read by the Secretary. The minutes were approved as read.

Officers Reports

Treasurer

Vice President Staub read the treasurer's report as submitted by Treasurer Charlie Webb. The report was approved as read.

Secretary

Greg Halpin reported he sent out thank you letters to all donors to the scholarship fund in memory of Bob Straw.

Halpin also reported that he still needs an itemized list of items donated by Bruce Yealy so he can send a letter to him acknowledging the donation. Vice President Staub will contact the President.

Vice President

Dick Staub reported that the President was unable to attend today due to a personal commitment.

Staub reported that the York Revolution will have a Firefighter Appreciation Night on September 11th. They would like to have some apparatus in attendance.

Staub also reported that the County Firefighters Association is interested in exploring having a joint muster with our organization in lieu of a convention parade. Nothing is official at this point. After a lengthy discussion,

- **MOTION** by Dean Saylor, seconded by Marty Hoover, to talk with the county association to explore the possibility of a joint muster for the county convention. Motion passed.

Staub discussed the annual family picnic. Treasurer Webb had suggested that we skip the picnic this year due to the financial hit the association took from the SPAAMFAA convention and hold one next year. After a discussion, the consensus was to skip the picnic this year.

Staub reported on the Christmas Party scheduled for Sunday, December 15, 2024, at the Alert Fire Company in Emigsville, starting at 1:00 p.m. If someone wants to have games for the kids, we will need someone to handle it. Members planning on attending will need to RSVP by email or through the Facebook page by December 1st with the number of adults and children attending. The adults will need to supply a wrapped present for each child for Santa to give to them at the party.



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There was a general discussion held regarding raising funds for the organization. We had relied on Bob Straw to do this in the past, so we need to step up without him.

President

Not in attendance.

Directors-At-Large

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

Committee Reports

Finance: Handled under Treasurer's report.

Communications: Greg Halpin had nothing to report.

Scholarship: John Senft reported that we awarded three scholarships at the county convention dinner. We need to make an effort to bolster the scholarship fund.

Greg Halpin suggested that the body approve the action taken by the Board of Directors approving the scholarships.

- **MOTION** by Jeff Stauffer, seconded by Harold Reinhold to approve the three scholarships awarded by the association. Motion passed.

Preservation: Terry Fix reported that members are assisting the West Manchester Township Fire Department with restoring their Ward LaFrance pumper from Shiloh.

Flea Market: Jeff Stauffer reported that nothing is scheduled at this point. Member Ed Schwartz us having a sale at his house the last Friday and Saturday in September. Dick Staub asked if we could sell refreshments at the sale. Terry Fix with check with Eddie.

Benevolent: Greg Halpin reported he in unaware of any deaths of our members.

Christmas Party: Covered under Vice President's report.

Trailer: Marty Hoover reported that there are lighting issues with the trailer.

Fred Shilke reported that he will donate a jack for use in the trailer.

Dean Saylor will work with Marty to troubleshoot the lights.

Vice President Staub appointed a new Trailer Committee: Marty Hoover, Chairman; Dean Saylor and Fred Shilke.

Question: where is the registration and title for the trailer? Greg Halpin reported that he was supposed to receive the title from the President to put with the association's files but has not received it yet.

Hoover would like the registration card to put in a holder inside of the trailer.

Nominations: No report.

Muster: Jeff Stauffer reported that we will discuss the muster at the next meeting.



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Org. Safety Officer: Jeff Stauffer reported that we had no incidents at the SPAAMFAA Convention muster. Greg Halpin reported that he submitted the Post Event Report to SPAAMFAA as required.

Old Business

Dean Saylor thanked the members and others that helped with the parking at the SPAAMFAA Convention muster.

Vice President Dick Staub thanked everyone that helped with the SPAAMFAA Convention. Several members gave a number of hours of their time at the hotel.

Jeff Stauffer reported that many people complimented us for the convention, especially considering the circumstances we had to deal with.

Greg Halpin reported on a problem that we had with our bank cards during the SPAAMFAA Convention. The issue has been resolved.

New Business

Marty Hoover reported that two ladies want to hold a Naughty Bingo as a fund raiser. We would need to find a hall that has bingo equipment that we can use. We would have to sell the tickets. A lengthy discussion followed. Jeff Stauffer, Marty Hoover and Paul Hoover will meet with the ladies and report back at the next meeting.

Greg Halpin reported that he is giving a presentation at the York County History Center, 121 North Pershing Avenue, on October 12th for their Second Saturday series. They have invited our organization to set up a display table. Vice President Staub said yes, we are interested. Halpin will provide Staub's contact info to them.

Vice President Staub asked about the number of shirts we have ordered in the past. He asked if we still want to be in the business of traveling throughout the region selling shirts? Staub also suggested that members that help with events should get shirts at cost, and the organization should give something to the members that help with events.

- **MOTION** by Jeff Stauffer, seconded by Robert Morthland, that members who help with events can purchase one shirt at cost. Motion passed.

John Senft asked if we have an inventory of remaining shirts. Marty Hoover reported that Paul Hoover has an inventory of them.

Greg Halpin reported that we will need to print annual membership cards for the upcoming year.

- **MOTION** by Marty Hoover, seconded by Bonnie Hunter-Shilke to approve the purchase of membership cards. Motion passed.

The date of the next meeting was selected as November 3, 2024 at Hoss's East York. Secretary Halpin will email Patti Webb to request the room.



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SPAAMFAA Chapter Update

Jeff Stauffer reported that he heard many positive comments on the convention. He provided reimbursement information to the Treasurer. He also reported that the Winter SPAAMFAA meeting is in Kissimmee, Florida.

Stauffer reported that a SPAAMFAA electronic membership is now available.

Open Floor Discussion

None.

Place of the Next Meeting

November 3, 2024 at Hoss's East York

The meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory C. Halpin
Secretary