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TIOGA COUNTY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. MEETING MINUTES



Organized 1952

Minutes of the December 9th, 2014 Regular Meeting Hosted by the Middlebury Township Volunteer Fire Department

CALL TO ORDER

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Tioga County Firemen's Association, Inc. was called to order by President Jeffrey Quick at 1940 hours, Followed by the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence was observed.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

Address of Welcome was given by Gary E Cooper II, Asst. Fire Chief of the Middlebury Fire Department.

READING OF MINUTES

Minutes were approved as written.

The Secretary read the Treasurer's Report as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Account	Beg. Balance	Deposits	Withdrawals	Ending Balance
General Fund Checking				\$4325.01
Insured Money Fund	0	\$	\$	\$
Carson's Investment	\$10000.00	--	--	\$10000.00
CD – Northwest Savings Bank	0	--	--	0

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

The following bills were presented for payment: Motion to pay the bills made by Byron Wright 2nd By Doyle Swetland roll call Vote was taken with unanimous yes to pay the bills.

Payable to:	Description	Amount Due
	TOTAL	\$212.45

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

OFFICERS ATTENDANCE IS LISTED BY: *Present (P) Absent (A) Excused (E)*

P	PRESIDENT – Jeffrey Quick
P	1 st VICE PRES. – Jon Androus
P	2 nd VICE PRES. – Duane Marbaker
P	SECRETARY – Dan Rice
P	TREASURER –Cale Mead
E	TRUSTEE - Lee Strange
P	TRUSTEE – James D. Shepard

P	TRUSTEE – Byron Wright
P	FIRE COORD. – Gary Cooper
P	DEP. FIRE COORD. – Louis Bloom
P	DEP. FIRE COORD. – Bill Preston
E	DEP. FIRE COORD. – Buster Philips
P	DEP. FIRE COORD. – Robert B. McCarthy

COMMUNICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Training – Ian Durretto – Ran through the local training opportunities

Spoke of the training App for any users with a smart phone.

Communication – Lisa Rice

Draft Update for the communication manual was presented for review, and will be voted to adopt at the January Meeting.

Commissioners have approved the simulcast update looking for about spring.

Coordinator Report – Gary E.Cooper II

January Meeting a date will be set for a chiefs meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Gary E. Cooper II asked the status of the Turbo draft Project. Jeff stated that the turbo drafts have been purchased a total of 12 department participated in the program, and they will be delivered on December 19th 2014. At 1:00 pm at the new DES garage, and the commissioners have asked that a rep. from each department be there.

NEW BUSINESS

Dan Rice brought to the Association a letter requesting radio designation for the following units Ambulance 11-7, Ambulance 11-6, Chief 11-60, and Chief 11-70, and also requesting membership to the TCFA. Kevin Kulish made a motion to accept, 2nd by William Preston a roll call vote was taken with a unanimous Yes for approval.

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

Life Net 7-7 asked if any departments would like to have an LZ class to contact them and they will set it up.

Elections for 2015 Officers

Jeff read nomination list that was given by William Preston in November:

President – Jeff Quick 17

1st Vice – Red Androus 2

2nd Vice – Duane Marbaker 7

Treasurer – Kevin Kulish

Secretary – Cale Mead

Trustee – Lee Strange

Fire Coordinator – Gary E. Cooper II

Jeff Opened the floor for nomination for President

Motion to close by Dan Rice

2nd by Doyle Swetland

Nomination closed none opposed

1st Vice

Bill Preston – Motion to close

2nd By Duane Marbaker

None opposed motion closed

2nd Vice

Motion to close by Gary E. Cooper II

2nd by Doyle Swetland

None opposed motion closed

Treasurer

Kevin Declined

Gary Cooper Nominated Matt Watkins

Matt accepted nomination

Gary E Cooper II made motion to close

2nd By Duane Marbaker

None opposed motion closed

Secretary

Gary E Cooper II motion to close

2nd by Kevin Kulish

None opposed motion closed

Trustee

Gary E Cooper II nominated Kevin Kulish

Motion to close by Dan Rice

2nd by Duane Marbaker

None opposed motion closed

Fire Coordinator
Motion to close by Bill Preston
2nd by Duane Marbaker
None opposed motion closed

Trustee position voted on by secret ballot and counted by Trustees
Kevin Kulish
Lee Strange

Kevin Kulish won the position

President had Secretary cast one ballot for all unopposed positions.

The slate of officers are as follows for 2015
President – Jeff Quick
1st Vice President – Red Androus
2nd Vice President – Duane Marbaker
Treasurer – Matt Watkins
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Dan Rice stated Millerton paid their Dues up until 2019, 2020 will be the next time they pay dues.

Kevin Kulish – Thanked the group working together to get the federal grant and stated he feels we should all look at doing this and applying in groups to better our chances.

Kevin had a 1 on 1 with Matt Baker and said he clarified why the 2% loan went to the where it did at \$200,000.00 because after meeting with State Treasury because of current funding levels could not raise it anymore and make it a sustainable program.

Next Meeting in Blossburg January 13th 2015

Jim Sheppard asked that the trustees meet @ 1830 that night to Audit the books.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Bill Preston, seconded by Jim Sheppard and carried. Meeting adjourned at 2055Hours.

Dan Rice – Secretary

Jeffrey Quick - President

