

# Western New York Volunteer Firemen's Association, Inc.



## Minutes of the January 18, 2009 regular meeting

Sgt At Arms Don Trzepacz called the meeting to order and pointed out exits

1<sup>st</sup> vice president Marc Kasprzak called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm He announced that Leo Grenier is ill and in the hospital Brothers of Mercy.

Sgt. At Arms Don Trzepacz led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Chaplin John Totter led in the invocation  
Motion to accept the minutes of the November work shop meeting was made by Ed Tase 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Butts carried.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Mark Kasprzak welcomed every one.

Report of Recording Secretary Wendi Walker reported that that the November minutes were mailed and emailed out. Dues notices are going out soon. there was a paper passed around for email addresses

Report of Treasurer Tom Mclaughlin he read account balances  
Savings 2422.81 checking 3007.65 scholarship 6752.44  
Total balance 12,237.90

Motion to accept was made by Norm Eberly 2<sup>nd</sup> by Forest Skelton carried

## Committee Reports

Trustee Report: Gerald Gherig 8 present no action

Bowling Committee: Marc Kasprzak malings are out. To be held last week in Feb. and 1st week in March.

Local Committee Eric Bradshaw Mike Retzlof information going out This week working with local fire cos to help with convention. Also working on housing.

Budget & Program Book: Bob Walker total gross 98163.88  
Marketing Squad 72880.42 WNYFA 25283.46 We met with marketing Squad Dec 6<sup>th</sup> in Batavia the meeting went well with many questions answered. REMINDER any fire company that are having fund raisers in their area let me know so I can have that solicitor stay out of that area.

Bylaws Committee: Paul Olhmer there will be a bylaw change proposed for the change of parade rules

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Assistant Treasurer  
44 Hawthorn St.  
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Eric Bradshaw  
Jr Past President  
34 Erie St.  
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EMS Committee: Reported by Wendi Walker no report

Explorer/Junior Firefighter Committee: Report by Forrest Skelton hoping to have events at convention for jrs.

Fireman of the Year Committee: Reported by Ken Fuller letters were sent out

Fire Officers Committee: Reported by Harold Wollaber There will be a truck rodeo and several seminars at convention.

Fire Police Committee: Reported by Jenni Corser letters were mailed out with fireman of year to save postage.

Fire Prevention Committee by Shirley Lanni no report

Historical Committee: Reported by Frank Wilzack looking for things for museum.

Investment & Finance Committee: Reported by Tom McLaughlin he read acct balances and Disbursements total account balance 72,490.88

Legislative Committee: Reported by Ed Tase outreach programs will be held at convention Bills have to be reintroduced at legislature. Larry Schosek you can check into web site and register to receive information.

Primo Biscaro took over meeting

Memorial Scholarship Committee: Report of Tim Wolfanger read by Dave Wolf letters are out. Deadline is April 20<sup>th</sup> judging May 20<sup>th</sup> received one donation for 100.00 Joshua Snyder and Kelly Ruskin have completed their 1<sup>st</sup> semester payments to be made to them.

Nominations Committee: Report by Forrest Skelton nominations need to be sent in.

Nozzle Practice Committee: Report by Doug Wright no report too cold.

Parade Committee: Report by Jack Hurlbert no report

Past Presidents Committee: Report given by Forest Skelton working on next year's dinner

President's Participation Award: Reported by Wayne Stanly no report

Public Relations Committee: Report by Stanley MacWilliams pictures for book are being taken today.

Queen's Pageant Committee: no report

Resolutions Committee: Report by Michael Delemere no report

Topics Committee Don Gravada no report

2 % Tax Committee: Carl Veltry no report

Web Site Committee by Eric Brad Shaw no report

Northern Central by Gerald Hendrickson no report

WEB SITE COMMITTEE Wendi Walker we have 1 yr contract with Jewel Mack.  
To send her Information for web site her email is jewel-mack @yahoo.com

Southern Central by Robert Hintz next meeting April 9<sup>th</sup> at Hyland Hose

Steering Committee Paul Olhmer I have one name for candidate on committees. Working on Restructuring of committees.

Motion to accept reports of committees was made by Forest Skelton 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robert Walker carried.

FASNY report: Report by Norm Ebberly working to save money in home operation. 3 residents passed away. Working on new power point presentation of home.

New Business John Totter spoke on line of duty death in Pembroke. They have the means to help fire companies in that situation

Doug Wright thanked every one for the turnout at the funeral of Norm Koch from East Pembroke who died while on duty.

Paul Olhmer spoke on home operation changes were made to the convention agenda in Niagara falls in August.

Wayne Butts winter games will be held in February 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> in Cortland.

He Reported on fire fighters injured at fire in Friendship were doing well there will be a fund raiser for them February 28 in Friendship. Also a 50-50 raffle.

Dave Wolf has a wish list of needs for home thanked Lakeville for the donation of a special mattress

Marc Kasprzak dates for 2009 2010 meetings Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 2009 Jan 10 2010 Apr 11<sup>th</sup> 2010 June 13<sup>th</sup> 2010 convention July 21-24 2010.

Good of organization Howard Ayers address change 7862 Mill St Springwater NY

Home ph 585-669-9208 cell 749-1741 Ken Fuller phone change 585-293-9463

Motion to dedicate page of minutes to John Palen and Charles Bauer was made by Doug Wright 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Frazon carried.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Primo Biscaro read past presidents and FASNY guests

Wendi Walker read excused list

motion to accept excused list was made by Ken Fuller 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Delemere carried

Sgt at Arms Don Trzepacz 81 guests and members present

Split club was held 30-25-15

Invocation was done by John Totter a moment of silence for John Palen and Charles Bauer

Motion to adjourn was made by Wayne Butts 2<sup>nd</sup> by all carried meeting adjourned at 3:30

## **Dedicated to the memory of**

**Past President John Palen and Past Secretary Charles Bauer**

Respectively submitted by

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

SECRETARY

Timothy Tyrrell

Wendi Walker