



## Kent County Volunteer Firefighter's Association November 18, 2020

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Manley called the 1050<sup>th</sup> meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Station 45, Clayton Fire Company. The invocation was given by Chaplain Rich Walton. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Manley led the members present with the Pledge of Allegiance. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Manley suspended the meeting at 7:02 pm for dinner which was served by the Auxiliary members of Station 45.

The meeting was called back to order at 7:30 pm by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Manley.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Boots presented the gratuities and conveyed our thanks and appreciation to the Auxiliary members of Station 45. The Auxiliary donated the gratuities back to the Association. Applause was heard for the Auxiliary. Kevin Wilson, President of Clayton Fire Company gave the address of welcome and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Boots gave the response.

**Roll Calls:** Officers: 9 present, 4 absent; Companies: 12 present, 8 absent; Past Presidents: 10 KCVFA, 2 DVFA and 5 Fire Company Presidents.

### Introduction of Guests:

**DVFA** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ken Ryder read the attached report.

**DVFA Ladies Auxiliary** – Deb Lawhead thanked the association for the recognition. Our next meeting will be this Sunday, 11-22-2020.

**DVFA Conference** – No report

**State Fire Chief's Association** – Steve White stated that he has raffle tickets for two guns. If you would like tickets, please see me tonight.

**State EMS** – Chris Davila thanked the association for the recognition.

**State Fire Police Association** – Les States stated that they held their last meeting this past Sunday, 11-15-2020 at Station 56. We took care of our awards that are normally done at conference. Our next meeting will be on 2-21-2021 at the DSFS.

**State Fire Prevention Commission** – Bill Betts read the attached report.

**State Fire Marshal's Office** – No Report.

**State Recruitment and Retention** – No report

**Delaware State Fire School** – No report

**Legislature** – No report

**Kent County Levy Court** – No report

**Kent County Fire Chief's Association** – No report

**Kent County Fire Police Association** – Leon Hyde stated that their next meeting will be on 12-15-2020.

**Kent County Emergency Medical Services Committee** – No Report

**Kent County Ladies Auxiliary** – No report

**Kent Center Emergency Dispatch Center** – No report

**Kent County Emergency Management** – No report

**Kent County EMS (Paramedics)** – No Report

**New Castle County Volunteer Firemen's Association** – No report

**Sussex County Volunteer Firemen's Association** – No report

**Delmarva Firefighter's Association** – No report

**Mutual Relief** – Steve White wished everybody happy holidays. The Mutual Relief bills are out and due back by 1-31-2021. Our next meeting will be on 1-19-2021 at Station 49. We are working on a special project.

**DEMA** – No report

**ICHIEFS** – Bill Betts said that everything is virtual right now.

**NVFC** – No report

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It was motioned and seconded to approve the KCVFA meeting minutes for October 2020, motion carried.

**Deceased Members:** It was reported that there are three deceased members. They are Mike Rush, Station 45, from many companies, Ted Yerkes, Station 52 & Joseph Hughes, Station 48. Chaplain Walton asked for a moment of silence for our deceased members.

**Report of Officers:** All submitted or will be submitted in written or electronic form.

### 2nd VP Quintin "Quint" Boots Report

I have Spoken with Co-Chairman S. Carrow about the 2020 Fireman of the year award. The papers for this award have been placed in each company's mail folder. If there is any person in your company, that has shown outstanding service and great leadership please feel free to nominate them. The following papers must be back to Skip Carrow no later than January 20, 2021. They must be signed by the president. If the president is being nominated the next highest ranking officer or fire chief can sign.

Also, I would like to wish everyone a very happy Holiday season.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Pennington read the attached Treasurer's report for October 2020. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the Treasurer's Report.

**Written or Email Correspondence:** No report.

### **Report of Committees:**

It was motioned, seconded and carried to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kenneth R Steele, Secretary

**Fire Prevention Committee** – Shirley Pennington stated that the dates have been changed. The essays & posters must be in by 1-31-2021. All of the materials were distributed to the fire companies who are participating. If you were not participating, but want to now, please contact me. Our judging will be in February 2021.

**Appreciation Night** – Shirley Pennington stated that this will be cancelled for this year.

Recruitment & Retention Committee – Theresa Taylor wished everyone a happy holiday. It has been very frustrating due to the pandemic. Thanks for everything that you have done for our committee.

**Payment of Bills:** Treasurer Pennington reported that there are bills for November 2020 to be paid tonight. They are attached to these minutes. It was motioned, seconded and carried to pay the bills.

### **Unfinished Business:**

It was motioned & seconded to approve the 2021 budget, motion carried.

### **New Business:**

It was motioned & seconded to cancel the Appreciation Dinner for this year, motion carried.

### **Good of the Association:**

*The next meeting for KCVFA will be at Station 46, Dover Fire Company – January 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm.*

50-50 – It was won by a member.

Chaplain Rich Walton gave the benediction.