



## Kent County Volunteer Firefighter's Association November 21, 2018

President Brittingham called the 1032<sup>nd</sup> meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Station 43, Cheswold Fire Company. Following dinner served by the Auxiliary of the station, Vice President O'Neal conveyed our thanks and appreciation to the Auxiliary of the station. Ken Clendaniel, President of Cheswold Fire Company gave the address of welcome; Vice President O'Neal gave the response.

**Roll Calls:** Officers: 12 present, 1 absent; Companies: 18 present, 2 absent; Past Presidents: 16 KCVFA, 10 DVFA, and 7 Fire Company. (Combined meeting with Kent County Chief's)

### Introduction of Guests:

**DVFA** – President Bill Betts, we had the dedication of the New Memorial on Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup> where we unveiled the names of the 4 Firefighter's who died in 2016. Thanks to all that attended and Aetna and Lewis for bringing their ladder trucks. Also, thanks to Warren Jones for putting this together through weather problems. Radio inventories, we intend to approach the bond committee about funding for your 800 radio's that will no longer be compatible when the State changes to the 225 system in 2024. We need your Radio Inventories in order to do this. We have a simple form to fill out. So, we have only received Farmington's and Felton's from Kent County, we need the rest. Safe Harbor, we are still working on being able to exchange materials when you take the ambulance to the hospital. We wish to thank Senator Carper staff for working on this for us. Unrelated business income, Senator Coons has a draft bill to exempt certain income received by qualified emergency response from the tax on unrelated business incomes, such as hall rentals. It has nothing to do with the Ladies Auxiliary issues.

**State Fire Chief's Association** – Derrick Brode, next meeting is January 24<sup>th</sup> at Aetna Hose, Hook, & Ladder Station 8. 19:00 meeting with Jack Wilson as our speaker from the State Fire School.

**State EMS** – Mike McMichael on behalf of President Jason Capps, we will be meeting on the Saturday's the day before the DVFA meetings. A topic will be the feedback concerning current EMS/BLS Protocols. We are hoping Commissioner's and perhaps one of the Doctor's will be there. Talking about continued Ed for next year's conference. I will be reporting on recent trips to Washington D.C. and Nashville, TN. with my appointment to a National Committee. We have a Facebook page plus a website <https://blsrelease.com> information available. Couple of things came up from the Washington D.C. trip. Where do you think EMS is going to be in the year 2050? This was done in 1996. A bill call EMS Memorial Bill to build a new memorial site was passed in Congress in both the House and Senate with no problems.

**DVFA Ladies Auxiliary** – No Report

**State Fire Police Association** – Les States, our next meeting is Sunday November 18<sup>th</sup> Happy Thanksgiving

**DVFA Conference** – No Report

**State Fire Prevention Commission** – Al Robinson, nothing extra to report because your meeting is before ours. Our next meeting is next Tuesday 9:00 at the Fire School.

**Delaware State Fire School** – Our active shooters operations class which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> level of training is available now. We have new bleeding control mannequins as part of the class.

**State Fire Marshal's Office** – Grover Engel, unfortunately we have 9 fire deaths now in the State. Six of them did not have working alarms but 3 of them did. Thanks to the Chief's that turned-in their DFIRs reports, a good improvement. We are still working with a couple of companies in arrears. I presented to the Commission with recommendations to changes to the regulations for next year. They were accepted by the Commission and next step is to have a Public Hearing. A notice will come out. I am sad to report that Karen Burden with over 36 years with our office passed away unexpectedly. Services will be visitation tomorrow evening at the Ferris Funeral home November 22<sup>nd</sup> and Service on Friday at Noon with visitations 11 to 12 and then Internment.

**Legislature** – No Report

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

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**Kent County Fire Police Association** – Mike Berry, next meeting Tuesday at Bowers, Station 40, Happy Thanksgiving.

**Kent County Emergency Medical Services Committee** – Jen, thanks for the recognition

**Kent County Ladies Auxiliary** – Sandra Robinson, our next meeting is in Marydel on November 27<sup>th</sup> Happy Thanksgiving.

**Kent County Levy Court** – No Report

**KC Emergency Dispatch Center** – Kevin, thanks for the recognition, radio inventory it is very important it gets done. Get copy of Excel sheet of all your inventory from State Communication. Review copy and get it to Warren.

**KC Emergency Management Agency** – No Report

**KC Emergency Medical Services (Paramedics)** – No Report

**New Castle County Volunteer Firemen's Association** – our next meeting is December 13<sup>th</sup> at Station 20 at 6:30 p.m.

**Sussex County Volunteer Firemen's Association** – our next meeting is November 27<sup>th</sup> at Seaford Station at 7:00 p.m.

**State Recruitment and Retention** – No Report

**Mutual Relief** – Steve White, the bills will be going out at the end of the month. You will have until January 31<sup>st</sup> to get paid up or you will not be covered. I will have copies at the County meeting in January.

**DEMA** – No Report

**NVFC** – No Report

**Delmarva Firefighter's Association** – Elmer Steele, No Report

**International Chief's** – No Report

*A motion was made, seconded, and carried for approval of the minutes of the KCVFA October meeting as printed.*

**Deceased Members:** Station 45 – Charles (Chuckie) Chase, Station 45 – Walter Eiermann

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Shirley Pennington report of ending balances as of October 31, 2018: *Roland Trader Scholarship Fund* – \$13,610.22; *Special Operations Fund* – \$27,577.55; *Money Market* – \$18,203.18; *Smoke Detector Fund* – \$806.60; *Firefighter's Relief Fund* – \$7,593.00; *Checking Account* – \$8,688.25; *Total of all CD's* – \$17,646.29; *Total funds* – \$36,138.12 *not including Scholarship, Special Ops Funds, Relief or Smoke Detector Funds.* A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the Treasurer's Report.

**Written or Email Correspondence:** 2 letter's, 1<sup>st</sup> A card, from Kent County Auxiliary wishing us a Happy Thanksgiving. 2<sup>nd</sup> letter, from Auditor to be read under Committee Reports.

### **Report of Committees:**

**Appreciation Banquet** – On behalf of Murielle Gillespie, Thanks to all that have signed for your tickets tonight. Assessment papers are \$50.00 and tickets are \$25.00. All companies need start with 10 tickets. If you want more contact Murielle 422-5430 and just leave her message. Money is due back by January 16<sup>th</sup>. The banquet is February 23<sup>rd</sup> with doors opening at 5:00 p.m.

**Fire Prevention Committee** – On behalf of Murielle Gillespie, judging was done on November 11<sup>th</sup> here at Carlisle. Thanks to all the stations. Reminder for next year only First Place winners please. Fire Prevention awards are December 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Bowers. Need the following stations in their dress uniforms: 50, 49, 48, 42, 44, and 45. State Fire Prevention awards is January 6<sup>th</sup> at Cheswold, The Stations that need to be there are: 48, 49, 42, and 44.

**Auditing Committee** – Pablo Reyes, for October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018: see attached report signed by George Pyott.

**Payment of Bills:** by Treasurer Shirley Pennington || \$26.76 – Shirley Pennington (Cardstock); \$540.00 – Steve White (Fire Prevention Awards); \$429.70 – Murielle Gillespie (Fire Prevention Trophies); \$70.55 – Murielle Gillespie (Appreciation Night

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Tickets); \$389.99 – Graves Uniforms (Pocket Badges); \$208.88 – RWM Embroidery (Officer's Shirts) for total payments of \$1,665.88; A motion was made, seconded, and carried to pay the bills.

**Unfinished Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

KCFC President Bobby Johnson introduced Mark Anderson from Delaware Electric Co-Op. Mark, on behalf of CEO Bill Andrews and Board of Directors stated that in appreciation of all service provide by the Firefighters in Kent County we are presenting each Fire Chief or designee with a check for \$1000.00 tonight. Thank you and have a safe Holiday Season. President Johnson, on behalf of the Kent County Volunteer Firefighter's Association and the Kent County Fire Chief's Association we want to thank Mark Anderson and Delaware Electric Co-Op for their generous donation.

**Good of the Association:**

Jasper Lakey, on behalf of Chief Clark we would like to thank the Kent County Companies that participated in the Tri-State Convention. We appreciated all the help. Thanks for coming up to New Castle County.

50-50 – Jasper Lakey

Conference Souvenir –

*The next meeting will be at Station 43 Cheswold – January 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.*

A motion was made and seconded, and carried to adjourn at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pablo Reyes, Jr., Secretary

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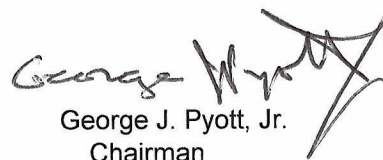
## AUDIT COMMITTEE

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AUDIT REPORT  
October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018

M&T BANK CHECKING ACCOUNT # 2593 4245			
Starting Balance	6,590.41		
Total Deposits	18,157.50		
Total Disbursements		15,776.69	
Ending Balance			<b>8,971.22</b>
M&T BANK MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT #15004228186828			
Starting Balance	18,573.10		
Total Deposits	2,043.00		
Interest	9.52		
Total withdrawals		2,423.26	
Ending Balance			<b>18,202.36</b>
M&T BANK MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT #15004228063737 "ROLAND TRADER SCHOLARSHIP FUND"			
Starting Balance	12,540.37		
Total Deposits	4,062.26		
Interest	7.02		
Total Withdrawals		3,000.00	
Ending Balance			<b>13,609.65</b>
M & T BANK SPECIAL OPERATIONS ACCOUNT #9865963053			
Starting Balance	29,371.41		
Total Deposits	15,000.00		
Total Withdrawals		31,793.86	
Ending Balance			<b>12,577.55</b>
M&T BANK CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT			
# 31003923811614 at 0.20% APY, maturing 02-10-20	6,349.26		
# 31003923844011 at 0.20% APY, maturing 03-09-20	11,297.03		
Total funds Certificates of Deposit			<b>17,646.29</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS OF THE ASSOCIATION ON 9-30-18</b>			<b>71,007.07</b>

I have examined the Association's Books for the time period Oct. 1, 2017 through Sept. 30, 2018 and found them to be in order and all monies have been accounted for.

  
George J. Pyott, Jr.  
Chairman