



Kent County Volunteer Firefighter's Association

April 20, 2016

President Dempsey called the 1002nd meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Station 50, Harrington Fire Company. Following dinner served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the station, Vice President Dennison conveyed our thanks to the Auxiliary of the station. Derrick Brode, President of Harrington Fire Company gave the address of welcome; Vice President Dennison gave the response.

Deviation of Business: *A motion was made, seconded, and carried to deviate from the normal order of business for the 2015 – 2016 Annual Memorial Service Program recognizing 24 KCVFA members that answered their last call this past year. Chaplin Blake Bowers thanked Deanna Dennison for setting up the memorial table. The ceremony included a song rendering by Quint Boots from Leipsic Fire Company. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to return to the normal order of business.*

Roll Calls: Officers: 9 present, 4 absent; Companies: 19 present, 0 absent; Past Presidents: 13 KCVFA, 5 DVFA, and 7 Fire Company.

Introduction of Guests:

DVFA – Director Glenn Gillespie, greetings from the DVFA most of the leadership is at FDIC and President Zeroles did not pass on any information for this body this evening.

State Fire Chief's Association – Derrick Brode on behalf Phil Pennington, our next meeting is June 23rd at Station 50 in Harrington. Exhibits 2 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and a fund raising raffle with meeting starting promptly at 7:00 p.m.

State EMS – Mike McMichael, on behalf Jennifer Knox who has gone back to work. We will be meeting with the State Chiefs on March 24th. On agenda is the completion of the Bariatric Stretchers and our attempt to get CPR System device were told by the Federal Government we had too much. We are trying again from a County level; these devices in action do save lives. We are requesting letters for anyone deserving recognition.

DVFA Ladies Auxiliary – No Report

State Fire Police Association – No Report

DVFA Conference – John Stevenson, remember the cancellation policy about rooms do it early or you will get charged.

State Fire Prevention Commission – Alan Robinson, our next meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday at 3:00 p.m.

Delaware State Fire School – No Report

State Fire Marshal's Office – No Report

Legislature – Senator Ennis, we have had 10 bills with reference to the fire service. Talking about 4 bills, SB157 allowing Paramedic licensure to go to the Professional Standards board, SB164 special plate registration for retired paramedics, HB142 provide special stipends for professional firefighters and last one HB218 permits ground level hand held sparklers to be sold.

Kent County Fire Chief's Association – Mark Langford, thanks for the recognition our next meeting is May 11th at Station 45, Clayton.

Kent County Fire Police Association – Jeff Dennison had our meeting last night. We welcomed back Tom Bowers and our next meeting is at Cheswold May 17th

Kent County Emergency Medical Services Association – No Report

Kent County Ladies Auxiliary – Sandra Robinson thanks for the recognition our next meeting is May 24th at Bowers Beach our Memorial Service.

Kent County Levy Court – No Report

KC Emergency Dispatch Center – No Report

KC Emergency Management Agency – No Report

KC Emergency Medical Services (Paramedics) – No Report

New Castle County Volunteer Firemen's Association – No Report

Sussex County Volunteer Firemen's Association – No Report

State Recruitment and Retention – No Report

Mutual Relief – Steve White, Let us know if you want us to schedule a presentation about Mutual Relief.

DEMA – Glenn Gillespie thanks for the recognition.

NVFC – No Report

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Delmarva Firefighter's Association – No Report
International Chief's – Bill Betts, thanks for the recognition.

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

Deceased Members: Station 48 – Ira Glandon, Jr., Station 48 – William M. "Bill" Delong, Station 51 – M. Frank King, Station 44 – Earl "Buck" Ford, Station 44 – Donald V. Ebright, Sr.

Report of Officers – All submitted in written or electronic form. President Dempsey, Important dates: CFSI May 5th, DVFA sponsoring State-wide Open House on May 14th and Safe Summer Days June 11th, 700 tickets for the Hagley Fireworks show are being offered, they typically only hand out a total of 3000. Nominations for DVFA position are open until a vote in July. Currently we have two nominees Bill Betts and Glenn Gillespie. Vice President Dennison, the forms going out to companies on who needs smoke detectors in time for open house.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Robert Yerkes report of ending balances as of April 1, 2015: Roland Trader Scholarship Fund – \$14,182.52; Special Operations Fund – \$21,856.07; Money Market – \$22,705.29; Smoke Detector Fund – \$6,624.60; Checking Account – \$2,848.39; Total of all CD's – \$17,540.64; Total funds – \$64,950.39. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Written Correspondence – 1 letter, South Bowers Fire Company announcing their delegates.

Report of Committees

Scholarship, Robert Yerkes for Rod O'Neal reminder wants companies to apply for the Kent County Scholarship fund, due in by the end of ~~May~~ March. Clarified by someone else, Reminder cancelled...

Payment of Bills – \$885.00 – DVFA (3 CFSI Tickets); A motion was made, seconded, and carried to pay the bill.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Good of the Association

Ralph Satterfield, restoration in progress for a 1949 Model A. Other companies will be assisting. Les States, April 30th Marydel will be having their 75th anniversary parade starting at 2:00 p.m. Ken Ryder, Station 48 we will be having a Spaghetti Dinner on May 6th and a Golf Tournament on June 4th Leroy Dear, Camden-Wyoming is having a carnival this Saturday.

President Dempsey, Lake Forest School board elections are Tuesday May 10th

50-50 – Brooks King donated back to the association
Conference Souvenir –

The next meeting will be at Clayton Fire Company, Station 45 – May 18, 2016 7:00 p.m. (Past President's night)

A motion was made and seconded, and carried to adjourn at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pablo Reyes, Jr., Secretary