ASSOCIATION OF FIRE DISTRICTS OF ORANGE COUNTY, NEW YORK

April 28, 2015

The meeting of the Association of Fire Districts of Orange County, New York, was held on April 28, 2015, at the South Blooming Grove fire house. President Charles Dieckmann led the salute to the flag and opened the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Roll call of officers showed 4 officers present.

Roll call of Districts showed 13 in attendance: Bloomingburgh, Bullville, Chester, Coldenham, Cronomer Valley, Goshen, Hamptonburgh, Maybrook, Middle Hope, Salisbury Mills, Slate Hill, South Blooming Grove, and Washingtonville.

Guests: There were no quests.

Secretary Report:

A motion to accept the minutes without change was made by Chester and seconded by Goshen.

Treasurer Report: April 28, 2015

Balance on hand February 24, 2015 \$20,318.44

 Deposits:
 4-27-21
 \$ 200.00

 Disbursements:
 372 Linda Miller
 \$113.60

373 Washingtonville \$100.00 \$(213.60)

Balance on hand April 28, 2015 \$20,304.84

On a motion by So. Blooming Grove and seconded by Salisbury Mills the Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Nominating Committee:

No report

Officers' Report:

No report

President:

No report

Vice President:

No report

Directors:

No report

Fire Coordinator Report:

Vinny commended the various fire companies that have been responding to the abundance of multiple fires. Without the teamwork shown by companies the situations could have been more critical.

Thanked his team for working on the May Day Policy which standardized procedures to be followed when a firefighter goes down in a fire.

700-800 radios system should be deployed by 2017. There has been no determination on who will actually pay for the radios. Vendors should be selected by end of summer and cost will be announced.

AFG radio grant to pay for radios should be available in the November-December time frame.

A May start is in place for the Accountability system. County will supply tags.

There is also restructuring of OSHA requirements as far as training. 15 hours initial training and 8 hour refresher classes.

There was a Chiefs seminar and 30 departments were represented. Seminar was available for Captains and above.

Committees:

By-Laws: no report

Communications: There were none

NFPA: There were several discussions presented by Don Green. Some suggested speakers will be Bill Young, John Quick, Scott Pak vendor and the State Association has online training.

Rep. Paul Di Napoli advise NFPA standards for County Coordinators should respond in full turnout gear with Scott Packs to prevent the exposure to airborne carcinogens that may cause cancer. This is under investigation.

Don also touched on the Tax Freeze. State says that school districts need to stay within tax cap and tax freeze limits in order for taxpayers to be eligible for tax rebates.

Low interest loans are now available. Brian Stevens is pushing the release of the money with 2% interest.

Old or Unfinished Business:

Anita Grecco reported on the Bi-Annual Dinner to be held on June 12, 2015

at 6:30pm at Colden Manor. The actual cost is \$80.00 per couple. The cost is \$50.00 per commissioner. There will be a \$30.00 fee for all guests. This fee will be picked up by the Association. All reservations and payments are to be forwarded to Anita.

On a motion by South Blooming Grove, seconded by Goshen the motion passed.

New Business:

The County Coordinator was asked if either he or one of his deputies could attend our meetings on a regular basis to keep our organization appraised of changes in the county regarding the fire service. He explained that some months there are scheduling conflicts that keep him from attending the meetings but he would discuss it with his deputies.

Bills:

Bills presented for payment were: Linda Miller \$113.60

Anita Grecco \$39.18 South Blooming Grove \$100.00

On a motion by Cronomer Valley, seconded by Chester bills were approved for payment.

Next regular meeting is to be held at Howells on June 23, 2015.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion by Goshen and seconded by Washingtonville the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Linda R. Miller Secretary