



**ASSOCIATION OF FIRE DISTRICTS
OF
ORANGE COUNTY, NEW YORK
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August 27, 2013

The meeting of the Association of Fire Districts of Orange County, New York was held on August 27, 2013, at the Goshen house. President Bill Schultz led the salute to the flag and opened the meeting.

Roll call of officers showed 5 officers present. Vice President Chuck Deekman was excused.

Roll call of Districts showed 13 in attendance : Bullville, Chester, Coldenham, Cronomer Valley, Goshen, Howells, Maybrook, Mechanicstown, Quassaic Bridge, Salisbury Mills, Slate Hill, South Blooming Grove, and Washingtonville.

Guests:

Jim Burko gave an extensive presentation on procurement policies for the fire districts in orange County. His presentation included ways to obtain vendor bids and piggybacking with other companies to obtain better pricing.

John Salka presented an interesting slide show on firefighter training that can be done in house and with inexpensive prompts that can be made at the firehouse.

Secretary report:

A motion to dispose with the reading of the minutes was made by Bullville and seconded by Quassaic Bridge.

Treasurer Report:

Bruce Guttenplan reported the following

Balance on hand June 25, 2013	<u>\$16,792.49</u>
no deposits	
bal	<u>\$16,792.49</u>
Disbursements #348 Bill Shultz	<u>\$54.06</u>
349 Hudson Valley Awards	\$262.00
350 Anita Grecco	\$ 68.03
351 Linda Miller	<u>\$100.00</u>
	<u>484.09</u>
8/27 bal on hand	<u>16308.40</u>

Treasurer report accepted on a motion by Cronomer Valley and Quassaic Bridge.

Officers' Report:

President: President Schultz reported on the Web page. He asked the body for opinions on what info should be on the site, how it will be maintained and what the domain name would be. There was a quote of \$750.00 from Cass Consultants. No decision was made.

Vice President: no report

Directors: no report

Fire Co-ordinator Report:

The co-ordinator reported two positions have been filled. Rick Canagetta from Pine Bush was appointed Special Co-ordinator and Bob Reynolds was appointed Communications Co-Ordinator. Vinnie also advised that there are grants available and districts should check with his office to see what's out there. RFPs and bids on hose and ladder testing can be sent to him as well. There was ground breaking for the new burn building and it should be completed by the end of the year and open in the spring.

Committees:

By-Law Comm. : no report

Nominating Comm: no report

NFPA:

Don Green informed us of the meeting in Syracuse and asked for districts to attend if possible. He made some good points about spending limits and deposits to reserve accounts at the beginning of the year. He also urged anyone attending the Legislative breakfast to bring questions and a list of concerns. He also touched on High band radios vs Low band.

Communications: there were none.

Old or Unfinished Bussiness:

Anita Grecco requested all companies respond by September 15th so that she can give Colden Manor a head count for the breakfast on September 22, 2013.

New Business: none

Bills:

Goshen \$25.00

Linda Miller \$100.00

Motion to pay bills was made by Salisbury Mills and seconded by Howells was carried.

Next regular meeting is to be held at Middle Hope Firehouse on October 22, 2013, at 8:00 pm.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion by Washingtonville, seconded by South Bloomingburg carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Secretary