



605 Port Street Easton, MD 21601

April 14, 2021

The regular meeting was called to order by President Phil Starkey at 1900 hours at St Michaels Volunteer Fire Company.

Roll call of Officers: President present, Vice President was present, Treasurer was present, Secretary was present, Chief's Committee was absent, R&R Committee was absent.

Roll call of Companies: Station 20 present, 30 present, 40 present, 50 present, 60 present, 70 present, 80 present.

President Starkey asked for the minutes of the previous meeting to be read. Secretary Dawn Lange read the minutes from the March 2021 meeting. Steve Mroczek, Station 20, motioned to approve the minutes, Dennis Starkey, Station 80, seconded members voted motion approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

R&R	\$39,982.00
Career Tech	\$ 5,000.00
Foam	\$ 5,000.00
Training	\$18,975.00
Admin	\$ 1,322.21

Checking:	\$11,333.65
CD	\$15,120.55

DES

- Budget – preliminary budget passed last night.

COMMITTEES

Chief Committee – President Starkey

- Did not meet formally last month. Looking for ideas for training.

R&R – President Starkey

- Still waiting for new design for the banners from the new company.
- 4-H Fair – last 2 meetings were cancelled.
- Training certificates for last year, have only received 4 companies to date. After some discussion Danny Mautz motioned to leave the gift cards at \$100 for each class over 20 hours completed, Steve Mroczek seconded, motion passed.

GUESTS

- John Mautz – State has extra money in relief pack, encourage all fire companies to look at requesting more money.

OLD BUSINESS

- Tanker Standard – There was discussion on why this was being called a standard and not a guideline. It was brought up that the Sonny Jones of the Chief’s Committee stated last year that these were guidelines and not standards.
 - Dan Tarrant, motioned that the Association send this back to the Chief’s Committee with a recommendation to change the terminology from standard to guideline; Dan Mautz seconded. 20-y, 30-y, 40-y, 50-y, 60-y, 70-y, 80-y. Motion passed. This item is tabled and being sent back to the Chief’s Committee.
- EMS Advisory – Steve Mroczek is the new Chairperson.

NEW BUSINESS

- President Starkey brought up the time of year in which elections are held for the Association. He you like to get the thoughts of the companies in moving it to June. Due to all that goes on at the current time of year of the elections it might be better served to have them in June. Take back to your companies and come back to the next meeting prepared to vote.
- LOSAP – paperwork due to Danielle Diefenderfer by June 30, 2021.
- In 2017 the County Council approved the volunteer fire service to be a part of the \$5,000 closing cost stipend. President Starkey went back through the minutes and found where it was approved by the Council and was sent back to the Association to establish guidelines and that was never done. Would like members to service on a committee to work on said guidelines. Steve Mroczek, Dan Mautz, Bill Keswick and Dennis Starkey volunteered.
- Vice President Keswick stated there are six students looking at enrolling in MFRI, only 1 is a member, need assistance from following companies to discuss the students as they have to be affiliated: 1 from Trappe; 3 from Cordova; 1 from Easton.

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 20- Nothing
- 30- Nothing
- 40- Chicken BBQ 4/24/21
- 50- Mother Day Breakfast Drive Thru
- 60- Chicken BBQ 4/24/21
- 70- Pre-order Chicken BBQ 4/24
- 80- Pit Beef Sandwich 4/30/21; 75th Anniversary Parade 5/15; Chicken BBQ during Town Yard Sale 6/5

Dan Tarrant has been working with Greg Whitby, he helped us to get our standing in order. Now he’s working to help us get our tax exemption. We can only become a 501c4, which is a business, that cannot be written off. Feels its not worth the time or cost to go through with it.

There being no further business Tim McNeal, Station 60 motioned to adjourn, Dan Mautz, Station 40 seconded.

The next meeting will be an executive meeting on 5/12/2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Easton Fire House.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Lange

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Secretary, TCVFRA