



605 Port Street Easton, MD 21601

May 12, 2021

The executive meeting was called to order by President Phil Starkey at 1900 hours at Easton Volunteer Fire Company.

Roll call of Officers: President present, Vice President was present, Treasurer was present, Secretary was present, Chief's Committee was present, 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 apologized that the minutes have not been done, will have them at the next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

R&R	\$35,338.25
Career Tech	\$ 5,000.00
Foam	\$ 5,000.00
Training	\$18,975.00
Admin	\$ 1,322.21

Checking:	\$11,333.65
CD	\$ 6,735.23

DES

- Budget should be passed on May 18th. Surge unit from 5 to 7 days, 4 new positions requested in FY22 with knowledge will request 4 more in FY23.
- New ambulance going in service next week, 911 telephone system go in service May 19th.
- Tower in Cordova – on hold due to the tower company changing hands.

COMMITTEES

Chief Committee – Chief Eric Voorhees

- Getting estimates for foam and training, after yesterday's call may look to use foam money to replace absorbent that was used. In touch with MDE to replace what was used, want to make sure we have a comprehensive count.
- Tanker Standard – The Chief's Committee understands the Association requested they look at the verbiage of standard vs guideline. The Chief's Committee voted to stick with standard.

R&R – President Starkey

- Met with 4-H Fair Board– things are on schedule first full weekend in July, will need help at the booth.
- Training certificates will be done to go the Chief's to distribute.

OLD BUSINESS

- Budget – Council approved 15% increase to operating budget, 10% on LOSAP. Hearing was on May 4, 2021, have not heard anything more; will get final budget after May 18th.

NEW BUSINESS

- Bill Keswick reported that Ken Busch let him know that all companies had all state tax paperwork in, and it has been submitted to the state.
- LOSAP – paperwork due to Danielle Diefenderfer by June 30, 2021.
- Tanker Standard – President Starkey stated we are supposed to vote on this tonight. He asked Chief Voorhees if he wanted us to proceed with our vote or if he wanted to take it back to the chief's. Chief Voorhees said the chief's recommendation was unanimous to leave it as standard, however, after tonight's conversation here he is curious if there are items, they may want to change vs the verbiage but as of right now the chiefs want to stay with the word standard. He will leave it to the Association to vote as is or for them to make changes.
 - Jimmy Eason, Station 50 motioned to accept the Chief's Committee recommendation of the Tanker Standard as written, Steve Mroczek, Station 20, seconded. 20-y, 30-y, 40-y, 50-y, 60-n, 70-y, 80-y. Motion passed.
- Election Date – Delegates stated each company agreed with changing the election date to June.
 - Dan Mautz, Station 40 motioned to send this to the By Laws Committee to have it entered in, Steve Mroczek, Station 20, seconded. 20-y, 30-y, 40-y, 50-y, 60-y, 70-y, 80-y. Motion passed.
- President Starkey asked for volunteers for the By Laws Committee: Bill Keswick will Chair, Steve Mroczek volunteered.
- \$5,000 Incentive Program – closing cost too late for this year. Clay suggested the association meet with the county to discuss getting this back on the table for next year's budget.
 - Criteria:
 - same as income tax criteria (to include the 3 years' service to be eligible)
 - in first due area you are responding for
 - commit to 5 years of good service to that company
 - additionally, have our criteria match that of the career to handle the issues that exist on both sides, i.e., when two members might try to both utilize this and receive \$10,000.
 - Steve Mroczek, Station 20, motioned to take back to company the proposal that the association go to county council and attempt to put in place a \$5,000 closing cost benefit for members who have served 3 plus good years of service, Bill Keswick, Station 60, seconded. 20-y, 30-y, 40-y, 50-y, 60-y, 70-y, 80-y. Motion passed.

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 20- Nothing
- 30- Nothing
- 40- 5/29 Pit Beef/Pit Turkey
- 50- Nothing
- 60- Chicken BBQ 5/16; new Chief 60 still waiting on a few parts to get it in service; 2 engines out to bid soon.
- 70- Steak sub sale 5/14; Chicken BBQ 5/29
- 80- 75th Anniversary Parade 5/15; Chicken BBQ during Town Yard Sale 6/5

President Starkey thanked everyone that came out and brought equipment to participate in the escort for Cpl Heacock, 7 miles of Rt 404 was covered.

There being no further business Dan Mautz, Station 40 motioned to adjourn, Steve Mroczek, Station 20 seconded.

The next meeting will be a regular meeting on 6/9/2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Cordova Fire House.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Lange

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Secretary, TCVFRA