



Old Fire Farts of York County Quarterly Meeting April 14, 2024

Hoss's Steak and Sea House, 3604 East Market Street, York, PA

Call to Order

President Neil Gunnet called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. with 30 members and guests in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a Moment of Silence was held.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 21, 2024 meeting were read by the Secretary. The minutes were approved on a motion by Marty Hoover, seconded by Jeff Stauffer.

The minutes of the March 2, 2024 special meeting were read by the Secretary. The minutes were approved on a motion by Mike Beck, seconded by Marty Hoover.

Officers Reports

Treasurer

Charlie Webb read the Treasurer's report. John Senft asked, "what is the balance in the Scholarship Fund?" The Treasurer reported that he did not have that figure with him.

A discussion on the tags for the trailer was held. It was suggested that registering the trailer in Maine may save some money. Marty Hoover suggested that we add a lug wrench and jack to the trailer. There is a spare tire, but no equipment to change it.

- **MOTION** by Dottie Hover, seconded by Marty Hoover, to place a lug wrench and jack in the trailer. Motion carried.

Secretary

Greg Halpin reported the following members were placed on the lapsed list for non-payment of dues: Charles L. Bollack, Michael A. Dowling, Donald E. Hopple, Stephen D. Lilick, David Napier, George E. Sheffer, Sr., and Dan Wade. They can still be reinstated by paying their dues. He reported that the organization has received \$1,000 in donations to the Scholarship Fund in memory of Bob Straw from ten donors. He still needs to send out thank you letters.

Halpin also reported that we haven't done a newsletter in a while and would like to get one out soon. Anyone with content for the newsletter should send it to him ASAP.

Halpin reported that the York East Rotary would like to make a donation to the organization in memory of Bob Straw and would like someone to attend their meeting on May 21st at Heritage Hills to accept the donation and make some remarks. Vice President Dick Staub will represent the organization.

Vice President

Dick Staub reported that the Christmas Party will be on Sunday, December 15, 2024, at the Alert Fire Company in Emigsville, starting at 1:00 p.m.



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President

Neil Gunnet apologized that he failed to ask if anyone wanted to chair the SPAAMFAA Convention Committee and asked if anyone wanted to fill the position. With no one in attendance volunteering, he said he would continue in the position. He advised that he is scheduled to be out of town for two weeks prior to the convention. He advised that donation letters for businesses have been developed for donations for the convention.

Gunnet said that he is looking for an easel with a dry erase board or paper pad to use at the registration desk at the convention. John Senft advised he could provide one. Someone asked if we would be printing an ad book for the convention. It had not been thought about, and it is too late to put one together.

A lengthy discussion was held about providing shuttle service during the convention.

Gunnet reported that Greg Moul is having some health issues, so he and his wife will be unable to be the hosts for the Friday bus trip. We will need new hosts for the bus trip.

Gunnet reported that currently, only the Secretary has a bank card for the organization. This has been challenging with some of the recent projects. The Treasurer will be getting one once it is processed through the bank.

- **MOTION** by Marty Hoover, seconded by Mike Beck, to authorize the President to get a bank card. Motion carried.

Directors-At-Large

Greg Moul was not in attendance. Harold Reinhold was in attendance. No report.

Committee Reports

Communications: Neil Gunnet reported that we received \$75 in prize money for the York Saint Patrick's Day Parade. He also reported that he has printed 200 tickets for the Unication G5 raffle.

Scholarship: John Senft reported that we have received no applications.

Benevolent: Greg Halpin volunteered to handle this committee.

Trailer: Marty Hoover reported that the shelves are in the trailer, and we just need to do some fine tuning. The merchandise has been inventoried and sorted.

- **MOTION** by Paul Hoover, seconded by Dick Staub, to send a thank you letter to Bruce Yealy for the donation of items for the trailer. Motion carried.

Org. Safety Officer: Jeff Stauffer reported that we should have radios for the safety officers for the convention muster. President Gunnet reported that Dave Hoffnagle will be providing 20 radios for the muster. Greg Halpin suggested that we have a few for the remainder of the week at the hotel.



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New Business

Will Tutton asked if we were interested in participating in the Shrewsbury Firemen's Carnival Parade on June 29th beginning at 2:30 p.m.

- **MOTION** by Will Tutton, seconded by Robert Morthland, to participate in the Shrewsbury Firemen's Carnival Parade. Motion carried.

President Gunnet reported that elections were in order, and asked if there were any other nominations. Having none, the Secretary reported that all positions were uncontested.

- **MOTION** by Jeff Stauffer, seconded by Greg Halpin, for the Secretary to cast the ballot. Motion carried.

Officers elected for 2024-2025 are:

President – Neil Gunnet
Vice President – Dick Staub
Secretary – Gregory Halpin
Treasurer – Charlie Webb
Directors-At-Large – Greg Moul, Harold Reinhold

Open Floor Discussion

Secretary Greg Halpin reported the following new members: Colleen A. Bublitz, Tracie Derr, Bonnie Hunter-Shilke, Rose Marie Mumma, Julia A. Saylor, and Frederick A. Shilke, Sr.

- **MOTION** by Paul Hoover, seconded by Dolly Hoover, to accept the new members. Motion carried.
- **MOTION** by Mike Beck, seconded by Robert Morthland, to purchase dash plaques for the muster. Motion carried.

A SPAAMFAA Convention Committee meeting will be held after the meeting is adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory C. Halpin
Secretary