

# WYOMING COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

\*The WCVFA Meeting was called to order on October 6, 2016 in North Java by Pres. Joe Silver at 7:34 p.m.

\*Pledge to flag led by VP Russ Becker.

\*Benediction given by Albert Marsh.

\*Roll call taken with 9 departments present, 3 BOF reps and guest speaker Ann McDonald.

\*Floor given to guest speaker Ann McDonald. She has been a grant writer for over 15 years. Gave us some hints on what to try for. Personal masks for one. Need to go for high priorities. NOFO has a list on line. Go to AFG NOFO 2016 to see what they list. Next Tuesday grants open and closes November 15 so get it in ASAP. Pres. Silver thanked Ann for coming and meeting resumed.

\*Minutes of previous meeting read and accepted.

\*Treasurers report read and accepted.

## **BILLS & COMMUNICATIONS:**

\*Motion made and seconded to pay United Uniform \$157.82 for 2 badges that were lost. One for VP and one for Trustee. Approved.

\*Motion made and seconded to pay North Java \$50 towards tonight's meal. Approved

\*VFIS info here to upgrade departments roll call list. Also, Wayne Latchett passed away this past summer. If we have issues we are to get in contact with Gary Gugilio.

\*Still waiting for the bill for badges from Attica.

\*3 Volunteer fire mags here to take..

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** none

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

\*Dates for county convention in North Java will be:

July 13-----dinner

July 13-----meeting with entertainment to follow

July 15-----parade with band to follow (would like some help with parade)

July 16----North Java annual picnic and tractor pull.

Still working on waterball, will discuss later fine details

\*Will also be doing book. John Meyers in charge. Will have stuff out in January.

\*Awards committee asked if departments would go back and talk to their people and start writing letters. Bill Pearl is chairman to that committee now. Howard Barraclough has stepped down. Congratulations Bill and best of luck Howard.

## **WY-52 REPORT:**

\*Pearl Granger is off for awhile with knee surgery. Motion made and seconded to send her a get well card along with a \$50 gift certificate. Approved

\*Looking at the I AM RESPONDING program (or one like it) for the 1<sup>st</sup> of 2017.

\*Today is District II Deputy Fire Coordinator Jay Myers last day as of midnight tonight. We have been approved to fill this position and should be announced soon. Working on process now.

\*Still missing a radio from the Training Center from a response truck. Please bring back.

\*All new furniture in dispatch center. Some interruption will happen. All invited to stop in and see it.

\*Still working on cleaning up radio traffic. Keep it professional, all hear what you say. Training coming up soon on this. Will be coming to each station to put it on.

\*If you see something, say something. (It is a must) Please report everything. No matter how trivial it seems

\*Anyone interested in being a State Fire Instructor, now is the time to get your training done. Hours are available. Free of charge for training. See Bill.

\*EMS Steering Committee update: we RECEIVED THE GRANT!! Will receive just under \$16,590 to get started. Project set to better serve this county.

\*Physical information & update (need to use forms).

\*Fire Training:

Solar Panel training	October 18	North Java
EVOC	October 25, 27 ,30	Pike

\*New Firefighter I in effect now. Another scheduled with BEFO in spring.

\*New Firefighter II will be offered after November 1.

\*Working on Fire ground responsibilities of the Incident Commander. Trying to bring it into the county. No charge. Limited to 24 people, 16 hour class. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, or Saturday and Sunday.

\*Hazmat did respond with Perry/Perry Center for a boat fire at Silver Lake, along with DEC.

\*Vital Signs conference coming up. October 13-16 in Syracuse.

\*Old air compressor at training center available. See Bill

\*Old SUV went to Silver Springs as high bidder.

\*Burn room at the tower has been repaired. Back working well.

\*Busy July and August for working fires. (11 total)

\*Grain Bin training went well. 35 participated. Still looking at manure pit storage training in February.

\*FEMA grant opens October 11 and ends November 18.

\*Medic 81 not up and running much at this time. Hopefully soon up to speed.

\*Portal training. Looking at Cowlesville, Perry, Arcade. Pilot through rest of county.

\*New York Resuscitation Symposium to be held November 5 from 9-3:30 at the Seneca Gambling Resort and Casino. Cost is \$20.

\*EMS training on Orthopedic Trauma is November 30 at Wyoming County business center or DSS. 1 ½ – 2 hour class free of charge.

\*\*Narcan providers in Wyoming County: Attica, Bennington, Warsaw, Strykersville, Pike, Gainesville. These departments are registered/licensed to provide this and carry it.

\*Inject NY providers in Wyoming County: EMS can draw shots for epi pens. Pens cost \$750 and expire. Injection cost about \$75-80 only. Huge savings. Departments that can administer this are: Varysburg, Warsaw, Attica, Cowlesville, Gainesville, Harris Corners, Strykersville

\*Remember that all responders need training. TEACH AND TRAIN!!

\*Active shooter response program in Wyoming County update: Sheriff continues to train their personnel, but looking at next year. Also working with preparedness center and Montour falls. Go on line to check out more training.

\*Sitting down with instructors to get training schedule made up. Trying to do more in house training.

\*Next week is fire prevention week. Landis talked about his program in Arcade. He's been doing this for the past 20 years. He has a police officer come with his guys. Seems to be cutting down on fires. Try and get out there and teach.

\*A lot of power strip fires lately.

\*Primo would like everyone to go back and push this solar panel class October 18 at North Java. Chief's to pay part of the registration fee.

**GOOD OF ORDER:**

Gun Raffle	North Java	November 12
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Turkey Raffle	Warsaw	November 4
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\*Next WCVFA meeting will be January 5 in North Java at 7:30.

Benediction given by Albert Marsh.

\*Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Biscaro, Sec./Treas.