

WYOMING COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

*The WCVFA meeting was called to order on October 4, 2018 in Strykersville by Pres. Crystal Radecki at 7:30 p.m.

*Roll call taken with 12 departments present and 3 BOF reps.

*Minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

*Treasurers report read and accepted.

BILLS & COMMUNICATIONS:

*Motion made and seconded to pay Strykersville \$50 towards tonight's food. Approved. Eric Kirsch made motion to donate this money back to the association. We thanked him and the Strykersville Fire Department for this donation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

*Brian Boorman asked if we could go for colored helmets for each firefighter. Talked about going to Erie County and other departments to have them do the same. FEMA grant would fund this. Discussed what colors are standard. Our own departments already do something like this. Suggested to put patches on back of coats. WY-52 to look into this. Motion made and seconded to have Brian keep working on info. Hardest part would be to have everyone go along on this.

WY-52 REPORT:

*IAR updates;

Fire Reporting is now active (?? Starting in 2019)

Enter all active responders in system

Get your responders to use properly

Enter data for your agency:

If you need more in depth training let WY-52 know

*Moving forward with the new communications tower in the Cowlesville area (Old channel 49: tower) "Bennington Tower". Should be done by end of year.

*Monroe Services in Wyoming County (BLS-1/8a-8p) 7 days a week. This unit will be floating when available in the Varysburg/20A area. This unit is not jumping calls. This asset is to take some pressure off of the volunteer agencies during the day when staffing is an issue. This unit helps so we don't have to dispatch multiple agencies for a single basic call.

*Registration is a must for all classes!!! Use the new form "EOSB-1654" for any fire training. Or use EMS form for EMS related training. Put credentials and any other info on this form too.

*Materials are ordered & arriving for active shooter/MCI response bags (Waiting on back orders)

*Please remember that dispatch always sends law enforcement to mva's. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO ASK. OK TO ASK FOR ETA if needed for an emergency.

*Will be processing ID tags to get back up and running. These tags need to be used at incidents or the system will be closed out.

*Statewide firefighter survey update: get surveys back to WY-52 asap. Just 18 questions. Have 1-fire coordinator, 1-chief, 1-firefighter survey. Need to be in by October 31. Juniors need to be 16 or older. This is the time for you to express your thoughts, feelings, idea's, and concerns on what direction or corrective actions are needed for the Fire/EMS to survive in the very near future.

*Cancer bill update: Law goes into affect January 1, 2019. Chief's to come up with lists. Villages, towns, districts pay for this.

***FIRE TRAINING:**

- *Interior firefighter class will conclude October 10th with 11 students
- *EVOG class October 30 (looking for a home)\
- *Confine space awareness @ TC November 26 & 28
- *Water Rescue awareness @ TC December 4 @ 6:30
- *Principles of Instruction March 18
- *BEFO class March 12 @ TC
- *Pump Op's March 19 (Looking for a home)
- *Rescue Tech basic May 21 @ TC
- *Hazmat tech modular 1,2,3, winter/spring 2019
- *Hazmat tech modular 4,5, in 2020
- *Electric Vehicles December
- *Flammable liquids spring
- *Ice rescue class between January & March time line (2nd week in each, 16 hr. class)
- *Emergency escape training fall

***EMS TRAINING:**

*EMT class @ Warsaw going well. 15 original, 6 refreshers, & CME students. May have to move some classes to DSS building due to meetings conflicts.

*LVAD (left ventricular assisted defibrillator) presentation @ the EMS council meeting. All EMS responders urged to attend. This is an external heart device that University of Rochester is the only ones who provides this procedure. We now have 3 in this area. Uof R are to notify Bills office so EMS can be aware of who these people are.

*County Convention for 2019 will be July 11, 13, 14 in Strykersville. Jam in the Valley will be that weekend also.

***GOOD OF ORDER:**

*Each department needs to go back and start getting your firemen of the year awards letters out. Some categories have changed.

*Warsaw turkey raffle November 2

*North Java gun raffle November 10

*Warsaw rescue squad BBQ October 9

*Bliss card party November 10

*Fire prevention open houses:

Warsaw--October 11

Strykersville--October 10

Arcade school—October 9

Attica school—October 4

*Mercy Flight wandering around with gifts for all

*Benediction given by Ralph Millen

*Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:47

*Respectfully submitted,

Alice Biscaro, SEC/TREAS