

**BADGER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL FALL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 7, 2021
JACKSON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

OPEN HOUSE: 1:30 TO 2:30 pm

MEETING started at 2:30 pm in the Training Room of the Jackson Municipal Building.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Peter Manning. He announced that President Fred Arbuckle was not able to attend the meeting.

The National Anthem was performed by Lydia Strey

The Pledge of Allegiance will be said by the members, led by Vice President Peter Manning.

Invocation was led Secretary Ron Naab to start the meeting.

Roll call by Secretary Ron Naab.

Welcome address by Jackson Fire Department Chief Aaron Swaney,

Motion to approve the minutes of the Spring 2021 meeting as presented via electronic version. One correction was made that the following change be made—"Deputy Chief Jim Riley"; Motion was made and seconded; Motion Carried

The financial report by Jason Ebert, see attached; Motion to approve as presented by Jackson, Seconded by Adell; Motion Carried

Motion was made to renew the expiring Certificate of Deposit at the best available rate by Allenton, seconded Cascade; Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

President – Fred Arbuckle; excused absence

Legislative— Ron, see attached

Golf Outing— Grafton representative was not present to make a report.

Awards—Chairman Paul Fahey reminded members that our association recognizes department members that have reached 25, 50, 60 and 75 year members. Also we recognize those officers that have retired after 5 years of service as an officer.

Bowling— St. Lawrence Fire Co. host of 2021, didn't have a follow up report. The 2022 bowling tournament will be hosted by Beechwood at Globe Lanes in Random Lake. Registration forms were handed out and follow ups will be soon.

Vice President Manning asked if anyone was interested in being the host for the 2023 tournament.

Historian— Jamie Miller of Campbellsport asked for Department history and pictures of new deliveries, etc. This along with webmaster Connie O’Neill will post them.

Website-- Connie O’Neill Report was not present, however she did forward a report for Secretary Naab to present and is attached.

Membership—Fred Arbuckle, as to not being present there was no report. VP Manning asked if there were any nominations for membership from the delegation, there were none.

There was discussion in regards to which departments are in the arrears for more than one year in accordance with Section 5 of the By Laws. Those being

Germantown Fire Department	Neosho Fire Department
Town of Sheboygan Falls Fire Department	Oostburg Fire Department
Cedar Grove Fire Department	

A suggestion was made that we give the arrears departments a 60 days to take care of 2021 by the end of the year. The Secretary is to send out a letter advice the departments of their status.

Clothing— Bob Arndt reported there are a number of items to purchase, although few have taken advantage of these items. He asked if there was any interest in doing a t-shirt with department names on.

Training— Chairman Peter Manning reported that 67 firefighters attended the LP Gas training at Campbellsport Fire Department on October 26th.

Further Pete mentioned the committee agreed to allow 5 free passes to the host departments as a thank you for trainings at their facilities.

He went on to say the committee is looking at hosting water rescue training which will be presented by Antonio Gurrola and Pete Manning will do the training along with the Dive Team.

There is still discussion about having a live burn instructor training presented by Wisconsin Society of Emergency Services Instructors (WSESI).

Moraine Park Technical College along with WSESI will be doing Live Fire Training Instructor certification will be held. The WSESI will be held at the MPTC-Fond du Lac and Fond du Lac Fire Department.

There are plans to host another BASIC RIT on March 5th at a location to be determined.. Pete also discussed the Clean Helmet Campaign, the mission is have stickers indicating level of training or courses trained by the previous wearer be removed prior to giving to the newly enlisted member.

The Training Committee will be meeting in St. Lawrence Thursday the 11th at 6:30 pm
The committee has been discussing another AG Rescue and Flashover training simulator.

OLD BUSINESS

FUTURE MEETING ASSIGNMENTS:

2022 Spring Meeting will be hosted by the Beechwood Fire Department on April 24, 2022

2022 Fall Meeting—Slinger on November 6, 2022.

2023 Spring Meeting Cascade

Motion was made by Slinger FD to give the 2023 Fall Meeting appointment to Allenton, by Slinger and seconded by St. Lawrence, Motion Carried.

BOWLING TOURNAMENT:

Beechwood Fire Department is the host the 2022 tournament. The tournament will be held at Globe Lanes in Random Lake.

A request was made for a 2023 hosting department of the Bowling Tournament— there were no volunteers at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Audit Committee was appointed to be St. Lawrence, Theresa, and Thiensville fire departments with a report due at the Spring meeting.

Appoint By-Law committee was appointed to review the by-laws, especially those involving membership. Changes are referenced in the By-Laws change Article II, Section 1 about number of members [at present needs 22] Request was made for Volunteers the following delegates offered to be a part of the committee: Nate Olson of Campbellsport, Rick Sanfillipo of Richfield Fire Company, and Carrie Ostrowski of Newburg Fire Department.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE consisted of Jim Huyser of Jackson FD and Rick Sanfillipo of Richfield Fire Company proceeded to take over the meeting for the election of officers.

The committee nominated for Secretary Ron Naab,3 calls for nominations, hearing none a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Ron Naab as by Jackson and seconded by Newburg; Motion Carried.

The Committee nominated Jason Eber for Treasurer, 3 calls for nominations, hearing none a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Jason Ebert as Treasurer by Fillmore/Belgium; Motion Carried.

The committee nominated Peter Manning for Vice President, after 3 calls for nominations, hearing none a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Peter Manning for Vice President by West Bend and seconded by Fillmore; Motion Carried.

The committee nominated Fred Arbuckle for President, after 3 calls for nominations, hearing none a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Fred Arbuckle for President by Port Washington and seconded by Newburg; Motion Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Belgium has raffle for Self Contained Breathing Apparatus, with the drawing to be on March 26, the grand prize is \$7,500.00

Tony Montag recommended that departments take the time and effort to nominate their outstanding members to their local American Legion post for consideration of Firefighter and EMT of the year. The nominees are considered for a county award, district award, state award and finally a national award.

RECESS, 3:33 PM: Motion was made by St. Lawrence and seconded by Adell recess the meeting

NETWORK

GUEST SPEAKER 4:30 PM—Jim Austad, President of Wisconsin Society of Emergency Services Instructors was the guest speaker. Jim talked about many items affecting the firefighters and fire departments.

The first was that many departments are being held liable to provide hearing aids for members

that have been involved with the department for a number years and have lost 100% of their hearing.

He discussed the level of instructor certification needed to operate a live fire scene training. The minimum required is an Emergency Services Instructor (ESI) Level 1 to be leaders. There must be a minimum of one Emergency Services Instructor Level 2 on scene to be command. The state is working on Live Fire Instructor certification.

The state is currently working on a new instructional mode for ESI 2 to be accredited.

Jim went on to advise that Wisconsin SPS 330 departments (not-for-profit, non-stock corporation) need to follow NFPA 1303 as this is the standard the state is following.

MEAL- 5:15 PM

BLESSING by Pastor Lori Lossie of Still Waters Community Church of Jackson. The meal was catered by Let's Get Roasted as was very well received.

Motion was made to adjourn at 5:48 pm, seconded with a voice vote to approve.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronald J. Naab".

Ronald J. Naab

Secretary