

The December 11, 2021 meeting of the New Jersey Firemen's Home Executive Board was called to order by Chairman Dutch at 9:00 A.M with the flag salute followed by the invocation.

Secretary McDougall provided the Public Notice of Meeting.

Secretary McDougall called the roll with all Executive Board present. Manager Hull and President Ordway were also present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read upon a motion by Mr. Signorello and second by Mr. Horvath

Secretary McDougall reported that he has been in touch with the newly elected Hunterdon County Manager, Tim Appar. A meeting was set up with him for the coming week.

Treasurer Sutphen reported that our finance are good to date.

Superintendent Veras reported that a few staff members tested positive and are at home. 1 guest tested positive while in the hospital. This cause an Infection Control Inspection by the State Department of Health. No violations were found. The Maintenance Department finishing up the fall clean up along with Christmas decorations. A holiday staff appreciation party is planned for this Wednesday. Advertisement for CNA's has provided a positive response.

Committee Reports: Building and Grounds. Mr. Signorelli reported on today's committee meeting. Items discussed Solar Panels, Driveway sealing, parking, carpeting in the hallway downstairs, and finishing the dining room renovation. The new minivan has been received.

Applications. Mr. Horvath reported that a meeting was held on 12/7 full copy of report is attached.

Finance and Budget. Mr. Silvestri reported the committee met on 12/7 and a full copy of his report is attached.

Legislative Committee: Mr. Greci reported on the four points in proposed legislation in the Assembly. A copy of his report is attached. Mr. Hull had several questions including how this legislation came about and who wrote it. He was advised that the bill was written by the Office of Legislative Service and that it is Assemblyman Burzichelli's bill. The items addressed in Chairman Greci's letter that had been sent to all managers were a result of the discussions in March 2021 and the September 2021 meeting of the Board of Managers. Each of the four points were approved by a majority of the board of managers. Two items from the original A5210 are not included in the current proposed bill. Those being the removal of the President of NJSFA as a voting member and any reassigning of the 2% funds to the state treasurer. Mr. Hull also disagreed on the roll of the Princeton Public Affairs Group as presented at the November meeting. He was advised that when the committee met with him no one was aware of any proposed legislation and that it is the job of a lobbyist to report back to the board any activity in Trenton and that was exactly what happened when we received the proposed legislation on Friday and it was provided to all members of the board. Discussion was also held as to the actual amount of reserves held by the home.

Museum. Mr. Hull reported that the committee has received a Fire Ring. He needs to know what funds are available to the committee. They are working on costs and placement of same. He inquired about an inventory of items held in the Museum. Mr. Veras will contact the Denny's about same.

Ethics. Mr. Sutphen reminded all to return the forms that had been distributed to all managers.

Pension. A meeting will be held during the first quarter of 2022.

Golf. Mr. Greci reported that there will be a meeting of the committee at 8:30 A.M. before the full board meeting in January. Mr. Freeman inquired if any consideration could be given to holding an event in the southern part of the state. He was advised that this has been discussed in the past and the committee felt it was best to leave as is.

Inventory. Mr. Veras reported a company is being engaged through our insurance carrier to conduct same.

Managers Memorial. Mr Greci reported that the vendor is putting together a design and costs for the three-piece plaque.

Inspections. Mr. Horvath reported he and Mr. Dutch completed inspections during the week and reported findings to Mr. Veras for action.

State Association. Mr. Ordway reported that 5 required reports are now available on line for completion by locals. Mr. Horvath reported that he attended the November meeting of the Executive Committee and was dismayed by the comment by Vice President Hankins that the Board of Managers were obsolete. He took it personally and disagreed with the statement. Mr. Hankins reported that he did not mean it personally but it was the management of the home that was obsolete. Mr. Sutphen asked if any of the Home Health Care programs were subject to tax reporting. Mr. Ordway stated that the treasurer had looked into this and so far the IRS says no. Discussion on reserves or surplus held by the Home and the NJSFA was held. Mr. Ordway reported \$35 Million held by the state association, \$210 Million by locals. Mr. McDougall stated in the red book, that in June of 2020 there was a reported surplus of \$60 Million and now it is \$35 Million. Mr. Ordway responded \$210 Million locals and \$35 Million state assoc. (see attached EMAIL from Mr. Ordway dated 12/13.)

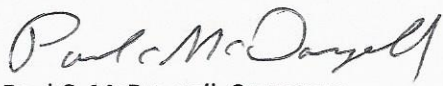
Mr. Silvestri moved payment of bills in the Amount of \$298,407.01 second by Mr. Sanders and upon a Roll Call vote all Executive Board voting in favor.

Public Session. Mr. Ed Robbilard 320 Vreeland Avenue said all firefighters should have a voice in proposed assembly bill and it should be communicated to the membership. He said he would provide Mr. Hull with a contact of Mr. Corigilano from Boonton who is active with antique fire apparatus about assisting with the antiques in the Museum. He also stated that his proposal is still on the table. Mr. Ward advised that he should have his Attorney contact ours to discuss same.

Mr. Ordway asked if anyone on the board had heard from Mr. Foran. Mr. Greci reported he had spoken to him in November and Jim said he would call him back but has not heard from him.

Mr. Signorello report a \$300. Donation from Retired Fire and Police Association was turned over to Mr. Veras.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:58 A.M.



Paul C. McDougall, Secretary