The January 8, 2022 meeting of the Board of Managers was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Chairman Grenci with the flag salute followed by the invocation given by Manager Dutch.

Secretary McDougall provided the Public Notice of Meeting,

Chairman Grenci welcomed new manager Tim Apgar from Hunterdon County. He expressed condolence to Mr. Signorello upon the passing of his father.

Secretary McDougall called the roll with all present except for Mr. Denny and Mr. Strube who were ill and Mr. Oser. Mr. Ward was excused due to illness. Guest present Retired Manager Frato, NJSFA Vice President Hankins, and Ex. Committeeman Otterbine

The minutes of the December 12, 2021 meeting were approved as distributed upon a motion by Mr. Sutphen and second by Mr. Washer.

Secretary McDougall apologized for the error in providing the emailed agenda for today's meeting.

Mr. Sutphen reported that we are half way through the budget year and that everything is going according to the plan. He asked any manager traveling to meetings on a toll road to give him the updated amount of tolls which were increased as of January 1st

Superintendent Veras noted that Prince had been preparing lunch and few if any managers stayed. He asked for a show of hands for those that felt we should continue the lunch after the meeting. No manager indicated the need to continue. He reported several cases of COVID Omicron with staff and guests, none have any serious issues most all with mild or no symptoms. Staff has been in communication with the local and state Health Officials. He noted that positive tests began to appear right after Thanksgiving when the state health department mandated more open visitation. He also reported that maintenance did a good job with snow removal and adequate salt supplies are on hand.

Building and Grounds: Mr. Grenci reported a meeting was held this morning and discussed the following: continued updating of IT and Phone Systems, Medical Equipment upgrades, Visitors Bathroom upgrades on the first floor and replace carpet on the first floor hallway.

Applications: Chairman Horvath reported 62 guests, 5 more applications approved pending admission. Full report attached to the minutes.

Budget and Finance: Mr. Silvestri provided his report from the committee meeting on 1/4/22. Full report attached to the minutes.

Legislative: Mr. Lugossy reported that new 2 year terms for all begin next week. The only bill effecting firefighters that he is aware of, A6093 provides access to health care for career firefighters through their employer.

Museum: Mr. Hull provided written report and discussed installation of a donated fire ring. Three estimates will be obtained before action by the board. Mr. Versa will inquire about the inventory.

Public Relations: Mr. Wilson reported progress.

Ethics and Code of Conduct: Mr. Sutphen reminded managers to return their forms ASAP. He noted 8 managers have not returned the forms. Mr. Grenci reported that individual can be fined by the State of New Jersey for not providing the completed form annually.

Inventory: Mr. Veras reported that the gentleman who had been scheduled to complete our inventory has recently retired. The Insurance Provider will be sending someone as soon as they are available.

Golf: Mr. Grenci reported everything moving forward. A \$500.00 donation has been received. Information is posted on the WEB Site and reminded that each manager should try to get 5 sponsors.

Memorial Plaque: Mr. Grenci reported quotes will be available by the February meeting.

Community Nursing Home: Mr. Dutch reported progress. The committee will be meeting soon.

Liaison to state association: Mr. Lugossy reported that good meetings have been held recently and things are moving in the right direction. Mr. McDougall reported on the ZOOM meeting this past Wednesday. The committee finalized the letter from Mr. Lane, discussed need to communicate better and meetings moving forward. Mr. Lane will be in contact next week with some suggested dates for the meetings.

## **New Business:**

Mr. Hull discussed not allowing any items to be loaned out from the museum, noting that a request was recently received. A motion was made that no items be loaned to the public and that if a managers need to use items a written receipt be obtained before taking anything. A voice vote approved same.

Mr. Grenci asked for a show of hands for the By-Law committee to look into changing same to provide for full board meetings every month thus doing away with the executive committee. Eleven managers that were present were in favor. Discussion followed with several suggestions made for the committee to take under advisement.

Mr. Hull moved payment of bills in the amount of \$423,464.86, second by Mr. Lugossy. A roll call was taken with all present voting to approve.

Public Session: Mr. Hankins stated that some people on Zoom were not permitted into the public session following the closed session of Tuesdays Special Meeting. Mr. Veras responded that it was not intentional. He said he had looked for anyone in the waiting room but could not find anyone. Mr. Hankins asked for minutes from the final public portion of the meeting.

Mr. McDougall read Resolution 2-2022 to Enter Executive Session. The Resolution was moved by Mr. Freeman and second by Mr. Jeffer, all in favor. Board in Executive Session 10-15 AM to 10:30 AM.

Upon return from Executive Session Mr. Hull moved to open the meeting to the public. Second by Mr. Matthews.

Mr. Sutphen moved Resolution 3-2022 Approving Settlement of Litigation and Claims second by Mr. Matthews. A roll call vote showed 15 in favor and 3 abstentions.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

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## Audit & Finance Committee Report January 4, 2022

The Audit & Finance committee held its monthly meeting at the home on Tuesday, January 4th, 2022. Attending this meeting were Mr. McDougall, Mr. Silvestri, Mr. Horvath, Mr. Hull, Mr. Sutphen, Mr. Freeman and Superintendent Veras.

We reviewed the revenue & expenses from December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 through January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and all expenditures are in order.

The vouchers were reviewed by Mr. Freeman, Mr. Hull, Mr. Sutphen, Mr. Horvath, Mr. McDougall and myself in compliance with section 2, article 5 of the bylaws for the New Jersey Firemen's Home. The total bills for the period amounted to \$423,464.86

There was a discussion about impending mediation with contractor.

The next meeting of the finance committee will be held on Tuesday, February 8th, 2022 at 8:00 AM, at the home.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Silvestri

Audit & Finance Committee Chairman

## Applications Meeting 01/04/2022

The Applications Committee meeting was held on Tuesday January 04, 2022 at the Fireman's Home Boonton, New Jersey at 09:00 hours.

Attending the meeting were board Managers Bruce Horvath, Albert Freeman, Paul McDougall. Joe Signorella, Peter Jeffer, and Tom Washer. In attendance also representing their respective departments were Ms. Amber lee Brundrick, Mrs. Ursula Baumgartner, and Mrs. Mary Kate Ernst.

The Census as of January 04, 2022 is as follows. Long Term Care (57) fifty seven, Residential (5) five, for a total of (62) sixty-two. Since the December meeting there has been (4) applicants admitted to the home. (1) Discharge, and (1) one brother passing away. As you can see our numbers have been improving over the last year.

During the meeting (14) applications reviewed, some from the pervious month. Three (3) that are approved (2) two to be announced later. One (1) waiting till after the holidays. Three (3) waiting on paperwork. One (1) waiting on financial paperwork. (1) one refused admission. One (1) care needs cannot be met. (1) One Legal issues still pending. (1) one trying to stay home.

Copies of this report were submitted to the boards Secretary, and the boards Stenographer.

The next meeting of the Applications Committee will be Tuesday February 8, 2022 at 09:00 hours.

Respectively Submitted Bruce R. Horvath Applications Chairman Museum Committee Report January 8, 2022

The museum continues to receive some small donations of models and you may have noticed that some new CODE 3 collectibles have been placed out for display with the assistance of Past Manager/ Guest Don Wiesner

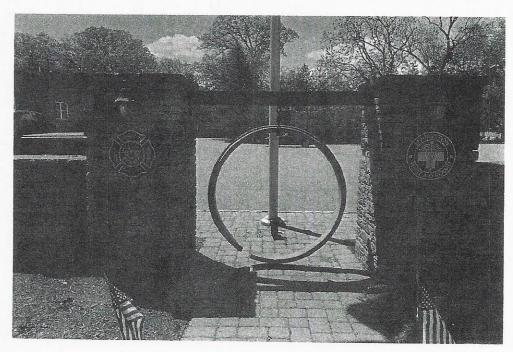
The committee would like to follow up with Chairman Grenci and Superintendent Veras on some information we requested.

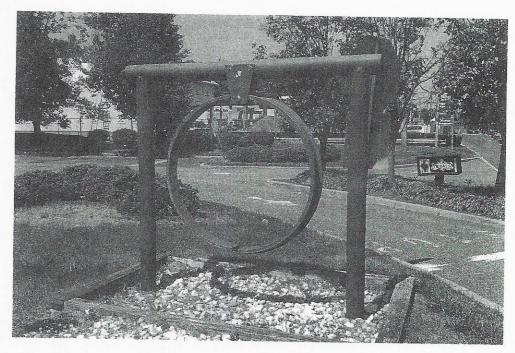
The first being the inventory system for the museum. We have received items over the past two years, but do not have access to the previous data base or numbering system. Mr. Wilson believed a laptop or computer data would be made available to the committee.

The second item was last month the committee inquired as to any available funds in the "museum account". We have an organization that wishes to donate a large fire ring. The ring needs to be mounted but we need to know what funds, if any we have, or if this can be done in house to determine the mounting of the ring.

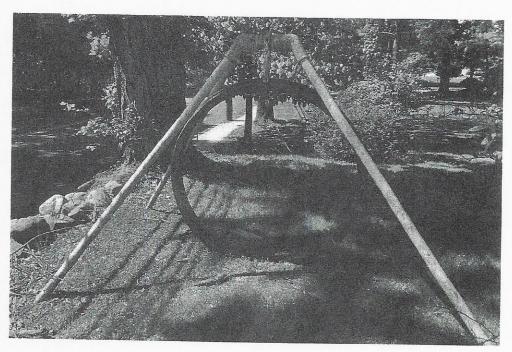
The committee recommends placing the ring on the grass area across the driveway from the museum steps. This is subject to full board approval.

3 ideas for the mounting of the ring are picture below. The committee has numbered them in order of preference with #1 being our top recommendation to the full board. This would be subject to board approval and if funding is available.





#2



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Lastly, the committee received correspondence thru the Superintendent from Clare Holmes from the Museum of Early Trades and Crafts with regards to that organization wishing to borrow items from the museum for a display off site on the history of the fire service. The committee discussed this and WE ARE AGAINST items being removed from the museum and we recommend to the Board that we DO NOT loan items out. We will contact Ms. Holmes upon the board's decision.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Hull Chairman Museum Committee