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**246th Delaware State Fire Chief's Association meeting minutes  
January 30, 2020 Station 15 Delaware City Fire Company**

- The meeting was called to order by President Deery at 19:45 hrs Invocation was given by Jasper Lakey. Pledge was led by Hayden Klingler
- Address of Welcome was given by Wally Poppe, Chief Delaware City.
- President Deery recessed for dinner. Back at 18:45 pm
- At 19:15 President Deery called the meeting back to order and 1<sup>st</sup> VP Brian Reeder brought out the ladies to thank them for a wonderful dinner.
- Brian Reeder introduced the keynote speaker, Past Chief Rick Riley on aggressive engine company ops. Where he did a 40 minute power point presentation. He was than presented with a clock and gold card for honorary membership of the Delaware State Fire Chiefs Association. He received a standing ovation. The Delaware City Fire company presented a gift from President Johnson and Chief Poppe.
- Motion to Accept previous minutes in printed form; M; Jim Watson 2nd David Hall

- Roll Call of Officers: by Secretary Maiches

Table Officers:

President: Steven Deery, Jr.	Yes
1 <sup>st</sup> VP, Brian Reeder	Yes
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP, Ralph Tucker	No
Treasurer Mark O'Brier	Yes
Asst Treasurer, Jon Townley	Yes
Secretary, Stephen Maichle	Yes
Asst Secretary, Joe Morris, Jr.	Yes
Past President, Derrick Brode	No
Chaplin, Charlie Arnold	Yes

New Castle Directors:

NCC Directors, Bernie Nutter	No
NCC Director, Keith Stockman	Yes
NCC Director, Dwayne Pearson	Yes

Kent County Directors:

KC Director, Robbie Brode	No
KC Director, Alex Carrow	Yes
KC Director, Mark Lankford	No

Sussex County Directors:

SC Director, Teddy Walius	Yes
SC Director, Richard Ward	Yes
SC Director, Andy Jones	Yes

- Recognition of Past Presidents, 13 Sitting Presidents, 17 Sitting Chiefs 17  
Past Chiefs 37

- Report of officers: **President Deery**; Oct 23 – Executive mtg in Dover President Deery laid out his plans for 2020; fundraising, training, Touched on the DVFA Commission mtg. President Deery stated that the State Chiefs will sit in on those hearings. The President stated that the Chief Web Design will be up, still implementing, more to come. President Deery thanked those that invited him and his wife to their banquets. The three sitting Presidents for each county will sit in on the nominating committee. Grover Ingle and Ken McMahon will sit in as advisories. Discussed issues with dues where he stated the 3 directors from each county will get together to resolve the issue. He attended 12 events, 3 funerals, 21 meetings and 470 miles.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP Brian Reeder:** Stated he just wanted to talk about some of his highlights in his reports; Cardio Genetics. Each county is going to have a representative on the HOT training at the conference in September; NCC: Dave Majewski; KC Alex Carrow SC: Matt Reed. The purpose of this committee is to pinpoint the younger generation. The training will be posted on the website, once the website get up and running. Attended the seminar at Fire School on Sunday and wanted to thank the fire school for bringing in David Griffin, one of the best presentations seen. Reported on 82 fire deaths in the United States in 2019. Plus 132 suicides in 2019. If you see anyone that needs help, please do not hesitate to reach out.

**Secretary Maichles:** no report

**Treasurers report:**, Mark O'Bier

**Checking Acct:**

Bills paid since last meeting:

Rush Uniform (inv 32913 Heroic FF)	\$1,234.80
Champion Trophies (Inv 18741 PP Heroic plaque)	\$936.00
Champion Trophies (Inv 18777 PP Gavel)	\$85.00
James Watson (office supplies)	\$71.53
Dennis Ruben (conference speaker)	\$600.00
Rogers Sign (Inv 42936 PP Plate)	\$25.00
Rogers Sign (Inv 42976 Conf Speaker Award)	\$195.00
Rogers sign (Inv 42977)	\$555.00
Rogers Sign (inv 42978)	\$225.00
Cardio Kinetics (Inv 1480)	\$225.00
Cardio Kinetics (Inv 1571)	\$225.00
Champion Trophies (Inv 19483)	\$82.95
Rush Uniform (Inv 35051 office shirts)	\$471.45
Champion Trophies (Inv 19566 FP Award)	\$825.00

**Deposits since last meeting:**

Dues (2018/2019- St 18)	\$320.00
State Chiefs Meeting 50/50 (conference)	\$618.00
Dues (St 76)	\$100.00
Dues (Talleyville)	\$280.00
Andy Hall (Send money for PP Plaque, Ref Exec Meeting 10/23/2019)	\$300.00
Dues (Sta 6/12, Port Penn 29)	\$460.00
Dues (2018/2019 –St 16)	\$280.00

**Checking Acct Balance:** \$6,053.59

**Money Market Account:**

Money market account balance: \$38,065.51

Payments of bills; Motion Jim Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> Jasper Lakey

**Report of directors:** NCC; Keith Stockman talked about numerous working fires

KC: no report

SC: Andy Jones call board meeting 2/20

**Introduction of agencies:**

**DVFA President:** Jay Jones reported on the legislative issues with the commission and the legislators. Jay talked about people forging his name on surf tag applications. After his report, Ted Walius asked if it was forgery, were they going to prosecute the individual's involved. President stated they are looking into it.

**Delaware emergency Medical Services Association:** Albert Schra gave the report of the BLS protocols 2/13 at Cranston Heights stated that this years conference they will be going with a 2 day seminar and looking into bringing in national speakers. Also looking into fundraising. Having an auction, any fire company having anything to donate please contact him. Next meeting March 7<sup>th</sup> Delaware State Fire School

**Delaware State Fire Police Association:** No report

**Delaware State Fire Commission:** Ron Marvel Stated Dave Roberts and Bill Betts in attendance

**Delaware State Fire Marshal;** No report

**LADVFA :** No report

**DEMA:** AJ Schall; Active Assailant/ RTF training with DSP is set up for May in Dover, each county will have a point of contact to sign up.

EMAC- we have submitted the paperwork for reimbursement for the firefighters that went to North Carolina. This was a great opportunity, a recommendation for future deployments would be for the State Chiefs Association to adopt a travel policy. This would expedite reimbursement and provide guidance for those deploying. For this mission, each department policy had to be reviewed and included in the reimbursement paperwork.

Counter UAS Drone Strategy- A strategy document will be issued shortly, this would include guidance for public safety issues for drone usage, including interference for mass gatherings/emergency scenes.

There are two attachment from the Division of Communications- one to make sure departments are purchasing Phase 2 radios if responding out of state, second is about the trade-in.

Field Force Extrication Tactics, conducted by the Center for Domestic Preparedness will be in Delaware this fall.

Introduced Dan Diena of the Delaware State Police Active shooter task force, that touched on the active shooter task force.

**NCCFCA ;** Duane Pearson next meeting February 6, 2020 Station 27 time  
Cocktails 6:00p dinner 6:30 meeting at 7:00pm

**KCFC:** Alex Carrow February 12, 2020 Marydel

**SCFC:** Andy Jones February 20, 2020 Gumboro mtg 7:00pm

**Delmarva Association:** no report

**Cumberland Valley:** no report

**IAFC** Secretary Maichle reported on challenge coins \$10 ea see after the meeting. Keep Bill Walton in your thoughts and prayers; fell and dislocated his shoulder.

**National Volunteer Fire Council:** no report

**Delaware Legislators;** No report

Any other committee that needs to report: none

**Report of Standing committees;**

Heroic firefighter: Jim Watson all reports must be in by August 31, 2020.

Andy Hall reported on the By-law committee and he is still trying to raise funds for plaques for Past Presidents

Jon Townley; Cardio Genetics;

**Communications:** Secretary Maichles 2 letters –  
1 from Les Warrick

*“President Deery, On behalf of the Cranston Heights Fire Company and mostly myself I want to sincerely apologize for our oversight in missing the invitation to the Delaware State Fire Chiefs Association to attend our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet. I take this error on myself as being the Chair of this committee, it was ultimately my responsibility totally. Regretfully I am unable to attend the meeting tonight due to a scheduling conflict, but again please accept my apology in this matter.”*

2<sup>nd</sup> letter from Delaware Fire Police to support Fire Police Vanity Tag Will be brought up under new business

Jon Townley introduced the 2020 budget

**Unfinished business:** none

New Business: Motion Jim Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jasper Lakey to accept the 2020 budget

PP Andy Hall has 3 motions;

1st Motion to send all 3 sitting presidents to the eastern division conference for the IAFC supported by the budget to New York in May

M: Andy Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Watson Passed

2<sup>nd</sup> motion; M Jim Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> Jasper Lakey - \$1500 for the Eastern Division for the Heroic Valor - in budget passed

3<sup>rd</sup>; motion; M Andy Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Watson to send all 3 table officers to CSFI passed

Application for membership; Kyle Brown station 26 assistant chief M Andy Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Ray Barkus

Letter from the DSFP Members : After a brief discussion a motion was made and 2nd to table because everyone thought it would lead into more requests of vanity tags.

Last call for New Business.

Good of the association: Ted Walius Ellendale having their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary May 9, 2020

Jack Wilson talked on the Sprinkler Exhibit at Seaford

Jim Watson on patches \$20 for a pack of 6<sup>th</sup>

Winning 50/50 # 310093 won by Ray Barkus station 26 \$90.00

- Time and date of next meeting : March 26, 2020 Lewes station 82 at station 2

President Deery thanked everyone for their attendance

Benediction by Charlie Arnold

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen J. Maichle

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Secretary

