

BERRIEN COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION

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Wednesday, June 6th, 2018

Watervliet Fire Department

Meeting called to order at 19:28 hours by 1st Vice President Dave Albers.

Roll of officers present: 1st Vice President Dave Albers and Secretary/Treasurer Dennis Graham. President Gerry Kabelman and 2nd Vice President Craig Brent were absent.

Roll calls of departments indicate 12 departments represented with 24 members present.

The donations received for dinner were in the amount of \$37.00. No 50/50.

The May minutes were presented. A motion was made by Chief Davidson with support from Denny Sexton to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report for the month of May was presented by Sec/Treas Dennis Graham. The balance in checking is \$2,777.86 and the money market is \$8,739.24 for a total of \$11,517.10. A motion was made by Robin Sanders with support from Denny Sexton to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Bills submitted for payment:

- None

Communications:

A moment of silence was observed in honor of retired Capt. Stuart Thurlow. He served over 38 years with Coloma, Coloma-Hagar, and North Berrien Fire Department and also served with the Coloma City and Coloma Township Police Departments and also the Berrien County Sheriff Mounted Division.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

911Committee: Caitlyn Sampsel

- Smart 9-1-1 handouts printed.

Emergency Management: Rockey Adams

- No Report

DNR: Steve Schrader

- No Report

Chief's Association: Mike Davidson

- Next Chief's meeting is June 20th, at 8:30 a.m.
- 800 MHz Pager/Radio will be resubmitted for 2018.

Landing Zones: Steve Shedd

- No Report

EMS:

- EMS strike force all hazard training through Lakeland will be held on June 26th from 7-9 p.m.

Dispatch: Denny Sexton

- No Report

Training Committee: Chris Burks

- FF1&2 Graduation was held on June 5th, and went very well with great turnout to welcome the new graduates.
- Drivers Training, Train-the-Trainer at Berrien Springs-Oronoko FD on June 8th&9th. It's a free class and register on SMOKE.

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Resource Directory: Gerry Kabelman

- Updates and pictures needed.
- The website at mi-bcfa.org has a lot of information on trainings and announcements.

HazMat: Corey Burks-Dave Albers

- No Report

Sheriff: Paul Bailey

- No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Fair Time approaching August 13th- 18th.

Announcements:

- The Red Cross has moved from the Niles Ave. location to Stevensville in the Village Square behind Pizza Hut. Their phone numbers are the same just location has changed
- Royalton Twp. Fire Department Open House June 24th, 1-3 p.m. to welcome in their new ladder truck!
- Baroda Fire Department Open House Thur. June 14th, 6-8 p.m. for Recruitment and new fire station information.
- First Due has a new area sales rep. Jake Steel

Host Chief Dan Jones thanked everyone for their attendance for the dinner. Our program tonight was presented by Al DiBrito on Active Attacker Protocol.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chief Davidson and supported by Denny Sexton. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 20:53 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Graham

Sec/Treas

**The next meeting will be held on July 11th, 2018
Weesaw Fire Department
Meal at 18:30 hours and the meeting at 19:30 hours**