

Egg Harbor City, N.J.

January 20, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the Fire House, Egg Harbor City on the above date with President Henry W. Breder presiding.

The President called on Rev. \_\_\_\_\_ of Egg Harbor who delivered in the invocation in the absence of the Chaplain.

The President called on Mayor Geddes of Egg Harbor whose inspiring address was well received.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Margate City on December 16, 1936, was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held at Rays Landing on January 13, 1937, was read and it was moved and seconded that same be taken up under new business.

The President called on William S. Gilmore, Chairman Auditing Committee who stated they had audited the books and records of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Atlantic County Firemens Association and the Deaft Benefit Association for the year 1936, and found same correct Atlantic County Firemens Association Year 1936.

Bal. On Hand January 1, 1936. Liquid	78.41
Receipts received during year 1936.	257.50
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	335.91
Disbursements Year 1936.	226.00
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1936.	109.91
Frozen Assets	\$171.68

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Atlantic County Firemens Death Benefit Assn. Year 1936.

Bal. On Hand January 1, 1936.	Frozen	\$1828.66	Liquid	559.30
Receipts recd. during Year 1936.				1090.40
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				1649.70
Disbursements Year 1936				725.66
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1936.			\$	924.04

It was moved and seconded that the Auditing Committee's report be received and spread on the minutes. Said motion was carried.

The President called on Chief Phillips who informed the meeting that from the information he has received he thought the Association would receive approximately five percent of the frozen assets. from the ~~Chelsea Bank~~ <sup>del City Hall</sup> Chelsea Bank.

It was moved and seconded that the bill of Frank O. Breder for printing five hundred application cards for the sum of \$3.00 that same be paid. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary communicate with Mr. Harry Horne, #1600 Mickle Street, Camden, N.J. and ascertain his proces for staging the Comedy "Come Seven" in some central location in Atlantic County. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that action on the resolution passed by the Executive Committee on January 13, 1937, and referred to the County Association, that same be held in abeyance until our next monthly meeting. Said motion was carried.

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It was moved and seconded that the Secretary arranged to have five hundred rosters printed and ready for distribution at our next County Meeting. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the resolution passed by the Executive Committee on January 13, 1937, and referred to the County Association in regards to offering a "Door Prize" at our County Meetings be held over until some future date. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the resolution passed by the Executive Committee on January 13, 1937, in regards to a letter be sent to every member of Ex-Member during the last three years of this Association and to every member of the Death Benefit Association, requesting that they pay their dues for the year 1937, that they make suggestions for the benefit of the Association, that they assist the Officers in advancing the interests of the Firemen throughout the County by being present at the meetings and that they not only pay their dues in the Death Benefit Fund but urge others to pay so that the death payments may be increased. That said resolution be adopted. Said motion was unanimously passed.

It was moved and seconded that the resolution passed by the Executive Committee at its meeting held on January 13th. in regards to holding Memorial Services be held in the future every three (3) years, that action be held in abeyance until our next monthly meeting. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the resolution passed by the Executive Committee on January 13th, 1937, and referred to the County Association in regards to naming the First National Bank of Absecon, N.J. be designated as the depository for funds received by the Treasurer of the County Association for the year 1937.

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that said resolution be adopted by this Association. Said motion was unanimously passed.

It was moved and seconded that the resolution passed by the Exec. Committee on January 13, 1937, in regards to Chiefs of Departments where tank wagons are in service, be requested to report from time to time on the benefits of their tank wagons in keeping down fire losses. and referred to the County Association, that said resolution be adopted by this Association. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that we go into the nomination and election of officers for the year 1937.

The following were nominated and elected to their respective offices for the year 1937.

Henry W. Breder, President, Egg Harbor City.

Charles B. Miller, Jr. 1st. Vice Pres. Margate City, N.J.

Henry M. Phillips, Second Vice-Pres. Hammonton.

Samuel B. Conner, Honorary Vice-Pres. Ocean City.

Dr. Robert A. Elwood, Chaplain, Absecon.

B. Lehr Scull, Secretary, Mays Landing.

Edward N. Pennington, Treasurer, Absecon.

Executive Committee

Maurice Y. Royal, Ventnor City

George T. Yetter, Mays Landing

William S. Gilmore, Longport

Wayne Scull, Linwood.

George Hanselman, Jr. Cologne.

The following Tellers were appointed by the President.

Chiefs Ralph S. Norton, Minotola, Peter A. Capizzola, Landisville.

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The Tellers reported on the Election and as there were opposition it was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot who declared the above officers duly elected for the year 1937.

The entertainment and luncheon furnished by the Egg Harbor Dept. was enjoyed by the large membership present.

The meeting schedule as presented by the Executive Committee was duly accepted by the Association.

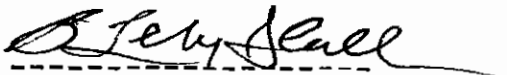
Receipts:

New and Renewing Members	90.50	Disbursements Frank O. Breder Printing
		3.00

It was moved and seconded that the six applications received for membership be read and they be admitted to this Association. said motion was carried.

Our next meeting will be held at Mays Landing on Wednesday, February 17, 1937.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn

  
Secretary.

Mays Landing, N.J.

February 17, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association was held in the Town Hall, Mays Landing, N.J. at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date . . .

Account of President Breder's illness and the Vice-Presidents not being present it was moved and seconded that Maurice Y. Royal preside. Said motion was unanimously carried.

The President called on Chaplain Rev. Robt A. Elwood who delivered the invocation.

At this time the President introduced Chief Geo. T. Yetter of the Mays Landing Fire Dept.

The President introduced Mr. John C. Cook, Chairman of the Township Committee who delivered the address of welcome.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Egg Harbor City on January 20th. the minutes of the Atlantic County Chiefs Unit meeting held at Linwood on February 9th. and the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held at Linwood on February 9th, 1937, were read and approved.

It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer's report be received and same taken up under new business. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that action on the resolution in regards to the "Door Prize" be deferred until some future date. Said motion was carried.

The President informed Dr. Elwood that the resolution passed by the Executive Committee on January 13, 1937, in regards to holding the Memorial Service once every three years in the future, that action was deferred on this resolution account of him not being at our January meeting. There was considerable discussion on the question.

It was moved and seconded that the Memorial Services be held in the future once every three years. Said motion was carried.

Mays Landing, N.J.

February 17, 1937.

The President called on Chief Wayne Scull of Linwood and Chief William Rogers of Absecon who gave interesting talks on the "Chief's Unit Meeting held at Linwood on February 9th.

It was moved and seconded that the Treasurers report be read, and same spread upon the minutes.

Bal. on Hand December 31, 1936.	\$109.91
Dues Year 1937	90.50
Total	----- \$200.41
Disbursements	3.00
Cash Bal. on Hand January 20, 1937.	----- \$ 197.41

The President called on Chief David Stuart of the Ventnor Dept. who gave an interesting account of a Fruit Store Fire in Ventnor City, also a fire in Newark, N.J.

The President stated he had received one question, which was as follows: "How is a Natural Gas Fire fought to avoid explosion".

Chief Stuart gave some very good information how a fire of this nature should be fought.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regards to making a donation in the amount of \$10.00 to the "Red Cross" for Flood Relief be concurred in. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the bill of Frank O. Breder for printing five hundred (500) Rosters in the amount of \$15.50 be paid.

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February 17, 1937.

It was moved and seconded that the bill of the Inland Agency Inc. for the sum of \$10.00 account of the bonds of the Secretary and Treasurer for the year 1937 be paid. Said motion was carried.

Dr. Elwood introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Comrade William S. Gilmore:

In view of the serious illness of our beloved President, Henry W. Breder, The Atlantic County Firemen's Association expresses its heartfelt sympathy and prays our Heavenly Father to support and comfort him in this time of need and restore him to health so he can continue his service as of yore. Said resolution was unanimously passed.

Treas. Edward N. Pennington introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Comrade William S. Gilmore:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Atlantic County Firemen's Association, that during the illness of our President, Henry W. Breder, all checks be signed by M. Y. Royal, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the said Association and by the Secretary and Treasurer of this Association.

Said resolution was unanimously passed.

It was moved by Comrade William S. Gilmore and seconded by Edward N. Pennington that a bouquet of flowers or plant be sent to Chief Henry W. Breder, also bouquet or plant to Chief Henry M. Phillips.

Said motion was unanimously carried.

It was moved and seconded that the following applications be recd. and they be admitted to membership.

George Sorg	Egg Harbor City
Joseph Labriola	Minotola
Stanley E. Steelman	Longport
Glenn L. Walling	Mays Landing

Said motion was carried.



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Receipts

New and Renew Members 30.25

Disbursements

Frank O. Breder Printing 15.50

Donation "Red Cross" 10.00

Inland Agency Inc.  
Bonds Secy-Treas. 10.00

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\$ 35.50

Our next meeting will be held at Linwood on March 17, 1937.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.



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Secretary.

Linwood, N. J.

March 17, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the Linwood Firehouse on the above date at 8.00 O'clock P.M. with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. presiding.

The roll call was made and absentee's noted.

The President introduced Chief Wayne Scull of the Linwood Department whose brief address of welcome was well received.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Mays Landing on February 17th. and the minutes of the Executive Committee held at Mays Landing on March 1st, 1937, were read and approved.

The President called on Chairman M. Y. Royal of the Executive Committee who stated that in memory of our late President, Henry W. Breder, it was the recommendation of the Executive Committee that only the necessary business be transacted and the meeting be turned over to our Chaplain, Dr. Robert A. Elwood.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted. Said motion was unanimously carried.

It was moved by Mr. William S. Gilmore and seconded by Capt. Jacob Albert that the following bills be paid.

Charles Theilacker	Flowers	Chief's Unit	10.00
Charles Theilacker	"	County Assn.	25.00
Charles Theilacker	"	Chief Breder-Chief Phillips	3.00
B. Lehr Scull	Secy. Service to Mar. 31st.		25.00
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			\$ 63 .00

Said motion was unanimously carried.

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March 17, 1937.

It was moved and seconded that the following applications be recd. and they be admitted to membership:

Daniel Muccio	Landisville
Frank Camarano	Landisville
Frank Nesi	Landisville
Winfield Haines	Linwood
Walter Jeffries	Scullville (Egg Harbor Twp)
Clifford Bird	Linwood

Said motion was unanimously carried.

It was moved and seconded that the various communications be received and filed. Said motion was carried.

At this time the President turned the meeting over to Chaplain Dr. Robert A. Elwood. Dr. Elwood in eulogizing<sup>on</sup> the life of our Beloved President stated that his chief hobby was the fire fighting game. That he lead a quiet life, that his standing<sup>and character</sup> in his community he resided<sup>and</sup> ~~was~~ served was beyond reproach. He stated that he held a position in this Association that was going to be hard to fill, that this Association has lost a great Leader and every firemen in this county and State has lost a good friend. At the request of the Chaplain every members stood in silent prayer for a period of two minutes in honor of our beloved President.

Linwood, N.J.

March 17, 1937.

Receipts:

New and renewing members     \$32.00

Disbursements

Charles Theilacker  
Flowers                             38.00

B.L. Scull, Secy. Ser.  
Jan. 1st-Mar. 31-1937             25.00

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\$ 63.00

Our next meeting will be held at Germania on April 21, 1937.

The luncheon furnished by the Linwood Dept. was enjoyed by the large membership present.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

  
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Secretary.

Germania, N.J.

April 21, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County firemens Association was held in the Germania fire House on the above date at 8.00 P.M. on the above date with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. presiding. The meeting opened by singing America.

The President called on Dr. Robt. A. Elwood, Chaplain who delivered the invocation.

Roll call was made and absentees noted.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Linwood on March 17th. and the minutes of the joint meeting of the Chief's Unit and Executive Committee held at Pleasantville on April 15th. 1937, were read and approved.

The Treasurers report was received and on motion duly seconded was ordered spread on the minutes.

Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1936.	\$ 109.91
Dues Recd. Year 1937.	152.75
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	263.66
Disbursements year 1937	101.50
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Cash on Hand as of Mar. 17, 1937-----	\$ 161.16

The President called on Chief David Stuart who gave an interesting account of the Atlantic City fire, also several other Chiefs spoke on this subject.

There were considerable discussion in regards to several departments called, but not in accordance with the "Moving Up System", to the Atlantic City fire.

Germania, N.J.

April 21, 1937.

At this time the President called on Mr. Irving Fitch from the Cape May County Firemen's Association, whose brief address was well received.

It was moved and seconded that the printing of the notices in regard to speeding up the alarms be referred back to the Executive Comm. to decide on a form on notice that will be suitable to answer the purpose and report back at some future meeting.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary arrange to prepare a roster of the local meeting nights of the various departments throughout the county.

The President stated the Eastern Fire Chiefs Association would hold their annual convention in Washington, D.C. on June 3-4-5.

It was moved by Comrade William S. Gilmore and seconded by Treas. Pennington that account of illness of Comrade Daglgren Albertson that a bouquet of flowers be sent to him. Said motion was carried.

Mr. William S. Gilmore introduced the following preamble and resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Chief Conner:  
WHEREAS, our beloved President Henry W. Breder passed away on February 28, 1937, and

WHEREAS, Charles E. Miller, Jr. our first Vice-President is Acting President of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that all checks issued by this Association be signed by Charles E. Miller, Jr. Acting President and by the Secretary and Treasurer of this Association, and  
BE IT further be resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the First National Bank of Absecon, N.J. together with the signature of the Acting President.

Germania, N.J.

April 21, 1937.

Said resolution was unanimously passed.

It was moved and seconded that the President appoint a Committee to call on Director Cuthbert of Atlantic City in regards to the various departments being called to the Grand Atlantic fire, standing by all day without any meals being furnished them.

Said motion was carried.

Committee appointed: Chief David Stuart, Ventnor City, Asst. Chief Geo. Manselman, Jr. Chief Samuel Conner, Ocean City.

The President called on Asst. Chief John Turner of the Germania Dept., also Comrade David Bryard of the Cardiff Dept. who gave interesting talks on "Sumps".

The luncheon furnished by the Germania Dept. was enjoyed by the large membership present.

Our next meeting will be held at Minotola on May 19, 1937.

Receipts:

Donations Chief Flower Fund	8.78
New & Renew Members Dues	24.00
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	\$ 32.78

Disbursements

None

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

  
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Secretary.

Minotola, N. J.

May 19, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County firemens Association was held in the Amusement Hall, Buena, N. J. at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. presiding.

The meeting was opened by the singing of "America".

At this time the President introduced Chief Ralph Norton of the Minotola Dept. who brief address of welcome was well received.

Department roll call was made and absentee's noted.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Germania on April 21st, and the minutes of the Executive Committee held at Margate City on May 12, 1937, were read and approved.

President Miller stated the Eastern Fire Chief's Association would hold their convention in Washington, D.C. on June 3-4-5, also announce a meeting of the New Jersey Fire Chiefs Association to be held at Livingston, N. J. at 10.30 A.M. Wednesday June 9th. and urged all Chiefs to be present.

President Miller called on Comrade Edward Mulvihill, Drill Master of the Atlantic City Fire School. He invited any fireman in the County to join their fire school.

He thanked the Association for help given at the "Grand Atlantic" Hotel. He expressed a desire on the part of Director Cuthbert and Chief Leeds to co-operate with this Association.

President Miller called on Chief Sutton of Sea Isle City who address was very inspiring and instructive.



Minotola, N. J.

May 19, 1937.

The President called on Fire Marshall David Newell of Mercer County who gave an interesting talk on the Mercer County Fire School.

He requested the various departments in the County to participate in the Firemens Field Day to be held at the "Fair Grounds" Trenton on July 3, 1937.

The President called on Vice-President Henry M. Phillips who reports that the Executive Committee of the New Jersey State Firemens Assn. will be held at the Hotel Dennis in Atlantic City on May 28th.

A new addition of the State Firemens Home is being furnished and is partly occupied.

Chief Phillips suggested that the County Association pay another visit to the home in the near future.

President Miller introduced Mr. Ira Wood, Secy. Cumberland County Firemens Association, also Chief Braumbach of South Vineland.

The President called on Chief Hudson of Pleasantville who gave an interesting talk on "Lumber Yard" fires that occurred in Pleasantville recently.

It was moved and seconded that the following applications be read and they be admitted to membership:

Earl Norton-Minotola- Crowell Hoover-Minotola-Albert Maurelli-Minotola Harry Woodland-Longport.

Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the bill of Jos. V. Strash for printing in the amount of \$7.50 be paid. Said motion was carried

Minotola, N.J.

May 19, 1937.

it was moved by Chief Phillips that this Association sanction the recommendation of the Executive Committee and that Mr. William S. Gilmore be appointed Asst. Secy. of this Association. Motion was seconded by Chief Hudson and unanimously carried.

Receipts:

New & Renew Members  
\$8.50

Disbursements:

Jos. V. Strash 7.50  
Printing

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary-Treasurers report be received and same spread upon the minutes.

Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1936.	109.91
Dues Recd. year 1937	185.53
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	295.44
Disbursements Year 1937	101.50
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Cash on Hand May 19, 1937.	\$193.94

The luncheon furnished by the Minotola Dept. was enjoyed by the large membership present.

Our next meeting will be held at Elwood on June 16, 1937.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.



Secretary.

Elwood, N.J.

June 16, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the Fire House, Elwood, N.J. on the above date at 8.00 O'clock P.M. with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. presiding.

The meeting was opened by the singing of American.

The President introduced Chief Oscar Jarvis of the Elwood Dept. who brief remarks was well received.

Roll call was made and absteenes noted.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Minotola on May 19th. and the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held at Margate City on May 12th, 1937, were read and approved.

The President called on Chief David Stuart of the Ventnor Dept. who gave an interesting verbal report of the Eastern Fire Chiefs Convention, held in Washington, D.C. on June 3-4-5.

President Miller also spoke in regards to the Convention and the address of Admiral Grayson in regards to the RED CROSS WORK.

Chief Stuart stated he had a conversation with Chief Leeds of the Atlantic City Dept. and discussed with him the question of the "Moving Up System" in relation to releiving his men when the various Departments are called into Atlantic City. The Chief thought this would be a good idea and would also give the men from out the County additional experience.

The President called on Chief Phillips who gave an interestin report on the Livingston meeting which was very interesting.

President Miller stated that with the consent of the other members of of "Sump Committee", that account of a bill recently enacted that he would endeavor to get some assistance from the State .

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June 16, 1937.

to build the "Sumps" in various parts of the County.

He stated that he was going to take the question up with Mayor Jeffries of Margate City and thought that he could get some action from the State Highway Department.

Comrade David Byard of the Cardiff Dept. also spoke in regards to the building of Sumps.

Pres. Miller had an article which was published in the "Press" whereby the Fire and Police in Burlington County are schooled in police work to assist the State Police in an emergency.

Chief Samuel Conner introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Chief Henry M. Phillips:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Atlantic County Firemen's Association that we go on record as being in favor of the recommendation of the New Jersey State Rating Office in regards to the painting of Fire Hydrants, as follows:

"Green" for high pressure, "Yellow" for medium pressure, "Red" for low pressure. and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary be and is hereby instructed to notify Mr. Leon Watson of the Schedule Rating Office of the action taken. Said resolution was unanimously passed.

It was moved and seconded that the Secy-Treasurers report be received and same spread upon the minutes:

Cash on Hand December 31, 1936.	109.91
Dues Received During Year 1937	194.03
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	303.94
Disbursements Year 1937.	109.00
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Cash on Hand June 16, 1937	\$ 194.94

Said motion was unanimously carried.

Elwood, N. J.  
June 16, 1937.

It was moved by Comrade William S. Gilmore and seconded by Chief Phillips that the bill of Frank O. Breder for printing "Posters" for the "MOVING UP SYSTEM" in the amount of \$8.50 that same be paid.

Said motion was carried.

Receipts:

Dues 1.00

Disbursements:

F. O. Breder-Printing-----\$8.50

The luncheon furnished by the Elwood was enjoyed by the large membership present.

Our next meeting will be held at Longport on July 21, 1937.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

  
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Secretary.

Longport, N. J.

July 21, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the Borough Hall, Longport, N. J. on the above date at 8.00 o'clock P. M. on the above date with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. presiding.

The meeting was opened by the singing of America.

The President called on Dr. Robert Elwood, Chaplain who delivered the invocation.

At this time the President introduced Mayor Lavinia of Longport whose address of welcome was well received.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Elwood on June 16, 1937, was read and approved.

It was moved by Mr. William S. Gilmore and seconded by Mr. Edward N. Pennington that the Secretary-Treasurers report be received and same spread upon the minutes.

Cash on Hand December 31, 1936.	109.91
Dues received during year 1937	195.03
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	\$ 304.94
Disbursements Year 1937	117.50
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Cash on hand July 21, 1937.	\$ 187.44

Said motion was unanimously carried.

President Miller stated that account of his recent illness he had been unable to do anything on the "Sump Question", but would arrange to attend to it immediately.

The President called on Mr. Hall of the Atlantic City Electric Company gave an interesting demonstration on burns and First Aid which was very much appreciated.

Longport, N. J.

July 21, 1937.

Mr. Hall stated that the American Chapter of the Red Cross was going to hold First Aid Lectures in the Auditorium in Atlantic City in October also there would be a class formed for the teaching of "First Aid", same to be held by the Atlantic City Electric Company at Kentucky & Pacific Avenues, Atlantic City, N. J. and extended an invitation to any fireman that would like to attend the class.

The Chairman of the Executive Committee stated that the Chiefs Unit would hold a meeting during the month of August and each Chief would be notified of the date.

It was moved by Treas. Albertson and seconded by Capr. Jacob Albert that the following bills be paid:

Margate Press	Printing	7.50
Harry Hasson	Flowers	1.50
B. L. Scull	Services Secy.	50.00
		<u>59.00</u>
		\$ 59.00

Said motion was carried.

The President called on Mr. Peter Tommie, Rep. American Fire Hose Company Passaic, N. J. who gave an interesting talk on "Hose".

The President called on Comrade Edward Mulivell Drill-Master of the Atlantic City Fire School who gave an interesting talk in regards to the recent oil fire, also showed pictures of the fire and the Atlantic City Dept. in action.

Chief Phillips stated a caucus of Life Members and Delegates of the various relief association would be held at Mays Landing on August 5th. and requested all members and delegates to be present as business of importance was to come up for discussion.

Longport, N. J.

July 21, 1937.

The Treasurer of the Death Benefit Association stated he had received a check from the Atlantic City National Bank in the amount of \$91.79. Chiefs Miller, Conner and Stuart each gave interesting talks in regards to the recent "Oil Fire" in Atlantic City which was very interesting.

Receipts:

Pleasantville Fire Co. No. 2. Dues	2.50
Dues Ind.	1.00
	<u>\$ 3.50</u>

Disbursements

Margate Press	Printing	7.50
Harry Hasson	Flowers	1.50
B. L. Scull	Secy. Services	50.00
		<u>\$ 59.00</u>

The luncheon furnished by the Longport Dept. was enjoyed by the large membership present.

Our next meeting will be held at Dorothy on August 18, 1937.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

  
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Secretary.



Dorothy, N.J.

August 18, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the Grange Hall, Dorothy, N.J. at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. Presiding.

The meeting opened by the singing of America.

The President called on Dr. Robert A. Elwood, Chaplain who delivered the invocation.

At this time the President called on Mr. Edmund Seelman, Chairman Weymouth Twp. Committee, whose brief address was well received.

The President also introduced Chief Geyer of the Dorothy Dept., also Mr. John Bryna, Freeholder of Weymouth Twp.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Longport on July 21st.

The minutes of the caucus of delegates and life members of the Atlantic County Relief Associations, held at Mays Landing on August 5th. and the minutes of the joint meeting of the Executive Committee and Chiefs Unit held at Margate City on August 11, 1937, were read and approved.

The President called on Chief Stuart of the Ventnor City Department who gave an interesting talk on firematic lines, he also informed the members that all departments coming into Atlantic City in answering an alarm should report at the Indiana Avenue Fire House.

The President called on Chief Phillips who spoke on the "Moving Up System". There was quite a discussion in regards to firemen being injured in the line of duty. Chief Phillips informed the members that it would be a good idea to have a clause inserted in their policies to cover men when they were answering an alarm in another municipality.

Dorothy, N. J.

August 16, 1937.

The President called on Chief Lamberton, Haddon Heights, Camden, County, N. J. who gave an interesting talk on "Gas Fires".

Chief Louis Filling of Galloway Twp. spoke on "First Aid".

It was moved by Maurice Y. Royal and seconded by Chief Yetter that Chief Louis Filling be designated as the representative in this County to contact for purchasing "First Aid Kits". Said motion was unanimously carried.

Asst. Chief David Byrd. of Cardiff gave an interesting report of a fire at the "Diamond Beer Garden". Asst Chief Turner of Pomona also spoke on the subject.

The President called on Chief Stuart who gave an interesting talk on 1½ Hose.

The President called on Mr. Frank M. Cunningham who gave an interesting talk on the "Oil Fire" at Atlantic City.

The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Hall to attend the next meeting of the Association, to be held at Oceanville on September 15, 1937.

Roll call was made and absentees noted.

It was moved by M. Y. Royal and seconded by William S. Gilmore that the bill of "The Wee Flower Shop" for flowers sent to Treas. Albertson for the sum of \$1.50 be paid. Said motion was carried.

Receipts:

Ind. Dues

~~\$22.00~~

Disbursements:

The Wee Flower Shop  
Flowers

\$ 1.50

The luncheon furnished by the Dorothy Dept. was enjoyed by the large membership present.

Our next meeting will be held at Bayview on September 15th.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

  
Secretary.

Bayview, N. J.

September 15, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens's Association was held on the above date at 8.00 o'clock P.M. with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. Presiding.

The meeting was opened by singing America.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Dorothy on August 18, 1937, was read and approved.

The President called on Chairman Royal of the Executive Committee who stated it was Pres. Miller's Birthday to-day and he was given a glad hand.

Chairman Royal said he wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate the members of the Bayview Dept. on the erection of their new fire house. He stated that the State Chiefs Unit meeting would be held in the Convention Hall, Atlantic City at 7.30 P.M. on Friday, Sept. 17th, 1937. Pres. Miller called on Chief Stuart of the Ventnor Dept. who gave an interesting talk on  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hose.

Chief Henry M. Phillips also spoke on this subject.

Asst. Chief David Byard of the Cardiff gave an interesting talk on the treating of hose and couplings.

Chief Phillips stated the 60 Anniversary of the New Jersey State Firemens Association would be held on Friday Sept. 17th. and the caucus was called for 10.30 o'clock A.M. and informed the delegates and life members to be present.

It was moved by Mr. William S. Gilmore and sec. by Chairman Royal that the bill of Walter R. Thoms for flowers ent to Secy. Benner in the amount of \$2.00 be paid. Said motion was unanimously carried.

Bayview, N. J.

September 15, 1937.

It was moved by Chairman Royal and seconded by William S. Gilmore that a donation of \$10.00 be made to the "Second Alarmers" and same be sent to Mr. Frank Andrews, No. Mass. Ave, Atlantic City, N. J. Said motion was carried.

Receipts:

Ind. Members        26.00

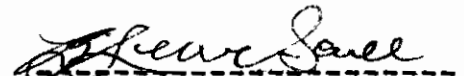
Disbursements:

W. R. Thoms-Flowers        2.00

Our next meeting will be held at Ventnor City on October 20th, 1937.

The luncheon furnished by the Bayview Dept. was enjoyed by the large membership present.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

  
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Secretary.

Ventnor City, N.J.

October 20, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemen Association was held in the Fire Hall, Ventnor City, N.J. at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. presiding.

The meeting opened by the singing of America.

The President called on Dr. Robert A. Elwood, Chaplain, who delivered the invocation.

The President at this time introduced Mayor Hodson of Ventnor City whose address of welcome was well received.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Bayview on September 15, and the minutes of the Executive Committee held at Margate City on October 6, 1937, were read and approved.

President Miller informed the members he had received the Maps from the Cardiff Department and he would take the matter up immediately with the Board of Chosen Freeholders in regards to "SUMPS".

Chairman Maurice Y. Royal informed the members that the beloved wife of President Miller passed away recently, that the Executive Committee on behalf of the Association had sent the President a letter of Condolence in his hours of grief.

There were considerable discussion in regards to the resolution adopted by the Executive Committee on October 6, 1937, relative to the "Charge Of Arson" against certain firemen of this County.

It was moved by Chief David Stuart and seconded by Comrade William S. Gilmore that the resolution recommended by the Executive Committee on October 6, 1937, be adopted by this Association.

Said motion was carried.

R E S O L U T I O N  
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WHEREAS, in the month of September there has occurred in one of the Municipalities of Atlantic County, a serious breach of the laws on the part of the Volunteer Firemen of the County, resulting in the indictment, trial and conviction, to the extent of proving the "Charge Of Arson" against the men involved, and

WHEREAS, the Atlantic County Firemen's Association is organized for the purpose of protecting the lives and property of the citizens of the State, and furthering the welfare of the firemen, and being largely responsible for further preserving the safety and tranquility of the respective municipalities in which they are organized, and

WHEREAS, the above stated happening has resulted in the unsettlement of the security felt by the citizens, and a scandal in which the Firemen of this County, to the extent of which 1400 men are reflected upon.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that this Atlantic County Firemens Association in meeting assembled, in the City of Ventnor, on October the 20th., 1937, do condemn, in the strongest terms, the commission of the outlined crime, as being a violation of duty, a violation of dicipline, and in case of the officers, a violation of their oath.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the men concerned and convicted of the crime of arson, who were members of this organization, be expelled from membership in this organization, and those who were not members be forever barred from attaining membership therein, or partaking or sharing in any activities pertaining to this Association.

It was moved by Comrade William S. Gilmore and seconded by Chief David Stuart that President Miller be and is hereby appointed Representative of this County to attend the Caucus to be held by the South Jersey League of Firemen's Relief Association, to be held at Union Fire Company headquarters in Westville, N.J. on October 24, 1937, to take up the question of reducing the number of delegates to the State Firemens Convention.

Said motion was unanimously carried.

Ventnot City, N.J.

October 20, 1937.

The Chairman of the Executive Committee stated he would appreciate it very much if each Chief would bring some information to our next meeting in regards to "Installation".

The President called on Treas. Albertson of the Death Benefit Association who stated there were 264 members in that Association, there had been two deaths this year, and a balance of \$859.59 in the treasury.

The luncheon furnished by the Ventnor Dept. was enjoyed by the large delegation present.

Our next meeting will be held at Absecon on November 17, 1937.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

  
Secretary.

Absecon, N.J.

November 17, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the High School, Absecon, N.J. at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Chearles E. Miller, Jr. presiding.

The meeting opened by the singing of America.

Roll call was made and absentee's noted.

At this time the President introduced Mayor Ira Giberson of Absecon whose address of welcome was well received.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Ventnor City on October 20th. and the minutes of the Executive Committee held at Margate City on October 6, 1937, were read and approved.

It was moved and seconded that the Treasurers Report be received and same spread upon the minutes:

\$109.91	Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1936.
224.53	Receipts Recd. During 1937.
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334.44	Total
190.00	Disbursements Year 1937
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\$ 144.44	Cash on Hand Nov. 17, 1937.

Said motion was carried.

President Miller stated he attended the meeting of the South Jersey Relief League of Firemens Association held at Westville, N.J. on October 24, 1937,

The President stated that the purpose of the meeting was to take up the question in regards to the expense of the present number of delegates attending the annual convention of the New Jersey <sup>State</sup> Firemens Association, which amounts to approximately \$47,000.00. He stated that by reducing the number of delegates to two (2) it would reduce the above amount to about \$23,500.00. He further stated that another meeting would be held on December 5th, 1937, at which time the various representatives were to be present and make their report in regards to the reduction.

There were considerable discussion on the question.



Absecon, N. J.

November 17, 1937.

It was moved by Comrade William S. Gilmore and seconded by Treas. Pennington that Representative Miller be instructed to vote for the reduction of the number of delegates attending the annual convention to two (2) members. Said motion was unanimously carried.

It was moved and seconded that the application of Clarence Truax of the Pleasantville Dept. for membership in this Association be read, and he be admitted to membership. Said motion was carried.

The President called on Chief Stuart of the Ventnor Dept. who gave an interesting talk on a fire which was caused by a defect in the installation. The President called on Pres. Louis W. Bowker of the Absecon Fire Dept. who gave an interesting account of the various fires that occurred in Absecon recently, he stated that new members were to be taken in of good moral character to replace the men that were recently expelled.

Mayor Giberson stated that the suit against the City in the amount of \$30,000.00, account of the mysterious fires had been dismissed in favor of the City.

The President called on Chief Phillips who gave an interesting talk in regards to the fires held in Absecon. He stated that the State of County Association had no taken any action against the officials of the City or the Department, and he suggested that when the places of the men that were expelled were filled that they be filled with men of good moral character.

The President called on Treas. Dalgren Albertson of the Death Benefit Assn. who stated there was a balance of \$893.09 in the treasury.

The President called on Dr. Elwood, Chaplain, who stated the reason for arriving late at the meeting was on account of attending a testimonial dinner given to County Supt. Henry Cressman at the Hotel Dennis, Atlantic City.

Absecon, N.J.

November 17, 1937.

The following article was written and presented by Chief Frye of the Longport Dept. (Safety in the Use of Ladders)

When mother nature provided us with a six-seven to eight foot reach she may have overlooked the fact that in our work, both at home and in the street, we have constant need to gain access to higher places. Man's ingenuity has long since made good that short coming by providing what are known as ladders, but folks are slow in learning to use these ladders as they should. Witness the fact that falls from ladders and their substitutes remain one of the major causes of accidental death in the United States. There should be a good step ladder in every home. It should be kept in a convenient place and its use encouraged. The use of substitutes such as chairs and boxes should be made taboo. The ladder should be replaced when it becomes weak with age or otherwise defective. There are usually plenty of ladders around a Fire Department but they are not always kept in the best of condition. They should be inspected regularly. There must be no missing broken or worn out rungs. Every defective ladder is a potential accident-maker. There should be an ironclad rule in every Fire Deptment that such defects be reported immediately. Accidents are as frequently caused by the user as by the Ladder. NEVER STAND on the folding shelf of a step ladder and be sure that the spreaders are clamped out straight, be sure every ladder you mount is safely anchored and dont lost your balance. A ladder will stand for a lot, you know, but, theres a limit.

Absecon, N. J.

November 17, 1937.

The following two (2) questions were submitted:

Question No.1. How will the New Jersey State Firemens Association accept members of a Fire Department when their peerage has been changed from Active, Exempt and Honorary to what is now known as Active "A" and Active "B" members.

Is this not forcing Honorary members and others down the throat of the State Association under the pretense that they are all (Active Members)

Question No.2. What action can be taken against a Secretary of a Fire Department if he will not after repeated requests supply a copy of the alteration and amendments to the original by-laws as had been passed at a meeting of the Fire Deptment in the past months.

Both of the above questions were answered by various members of the Association.

Receipts:		Disbursements
Ind. Members	2.00	None
Dept. Dues	2.50	
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	\$ 4.50	

The luncheon furnished by the Absecon Dept. was enjoyed by the large membersh~~D~~ present.

Our next meeting will be held at Margate City on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1937. There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

  
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Secretary.

Margate City, N. J.

December 15, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association was held in the Log Cabin, Margate City, on the above date at 8.00 o'clock P.M. with President Charles E. Miller, Jr. presiding.

The meeting opened by the singing of America.

The President called on Chaplain Dr. Robert A. Elwood who delivered the invocation.

Roll call was made and the absentees noted.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Absecon on November 20, 1937, was read and approved.

At this time the President introduced Sgt. Samuel Barrab of the Atlantic City Police Dept. who gave an interesting talk on "Safety".

The President gave an interesting report on a meeting of the South Jersey League of Relief Associations held at Westville recently.

He stated a Caucus would be held in May and all Relief Associations would be notified of the date, at which time resolutions would be presented to reduce the number of delegates attending the State Convention to two members.

The President called on Chief David Stuart of the Ventnor Dept. who gave an interesting talk on a demonstration he had the pleasure to witness at the Walter Kiddy Company plant of the Lux Chemical Co. extinguishers.

Asst. Chief Geo. Hanselman stated that the Germania Dept. had recently purchased a 450 Gallon Tank Wagon and the Oceanville Dept. a 500 Gal. Tank Wagon.

Margate City, N.J.

December 15, 1937.

Chairman Maurice Royal stated the Executive Committee had prepared the following tentative meeting schedule for the current year.

January	Egg Harbor
February	Pleasantville
March	Atlantic City
April	Pomona
May	East Vineland or Somers Point
June	Nesco or Cardiff
July	Longport
August	Northfield
September	Port Republic
October	Belcoville or Mays Landing
November	Ventnor City
December	Margate City

The President called on Treas. Albertson of the Death Benefit Association who stated there was \$1018.78 in the Treasury.

It was moved and seconded and unanimously carried that we go into the nomination of officers for the year 1938.

The following nominations were made for the respective offices:

Charles E. Miller, Jr.	President	Margate City
Henry M. Phillips	1st. Vice-Pres.	Hamonton
Carl Hennis	2nd. Vice-Pres.	Egg Harbor City
David Stuart	2nd. Vice-Pres.	Ventnor City
Samuel B. Conner	Hon. Vice-Pres.	Ocean City
Dr. Robert A. Elwood	Chaplain	Absecon
B. Lehr Scull	Secretary	Mays Landing
William S. Gilmore	Secretary	Longport
Edward N. Pennington	Treasurer	Absecon

Margate City, N. J.

December 15, 1937.

Executive Committee  
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Wilson Potter-Linwood

Stanton Voss-Linwood

Maurice Y. Royal-  
Ventnor City

William S. Gilmore-Longport

George Hanselman, Jr-Germania

George T. Yetter-Mays Landing

The President appointed the following committee to audit the books and records of the Atlantic County Firemens Association and the Death Benefit Association for the year 1937:

William S. Gilmore-Longport

Maurice Y. Royal-Ventnor City

George T. Yetter-Mays Landing.

It was moved by Chairman Royal and seconded by Comrade William S. Gilmore that the President appoint a committee to prepare a testimonial and purchase a suitable gift for the occasion in behalf of Vice-President Henry M. Phillips for his service rendered the past fifty (50) years as a fireman and same be presented at our Egg Harbor Meeting to be held on January 19, 1938. Said motion was unanimously carried.

The President appointed the following persons to serve on this Committee: Dr. Robert A. Elwood, Frank M. Cunningham, Dr. W. J. Hudson, William S. Gilmore, Maurice Y. Royal.

The President called on Frank M. Cunningham, Rep. of the Firemens Home. Mr. Cunningham stated the New Dormitory had been completed and the Exempt firemen intended to pay for the furnishing of the two (2) sun parlors, and various County Associations and Departments were going to furnish the dormitory. He stated the health of the firemen were very good, one death occurred during the past month.

Margate City, N.J.

December 15, 1937.

Chief Hudson of Pleasantville stated he understood that Chief Conner of the Ocean City Department was going to retire the coming year and the above committee was instructed to take the question up with Chief Conner and ascertain if the information received was correct.

It was moved and seconded that the Treasurers report be received and same spread upon the minutes:

Cash on Hand December 31, 1936.....	\$109.91
Receipts received during the year 1937.....	229.03
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	338.94
Disbursements Year 1937.....	190.00
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Cash On Hand December 15, 1937.....	\$ 148.94

Said motion was unanimously carried.

It was moved by Maurice Y. Royal and seconded by William S. Gilmore that the following bills be paid:

Charles L. Fisher	Flowers	\$ 10.00
Edward N. Pennington	Treas. Saly. 1937	25.00
B. Lehr Scull	Secy/Saly. Bal. 1937	25.00
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		\$ 60.00

Said motion was unanimously carried.

The luncheon furnished by the Margate City Dept. was enjoyed by the large membership present.

Our next meeting will be held at Egg Harbor City on January 19, 1938.

It was moved by Maurice Y. Royal and seconded by Edward N. Pennington that account of opposition for three (3) of the elective offices for the ensuing year that the Secretary be and is hereby instructed to have necessary ballots printed for distribution at our Egg Harbor meeting.

There being no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

*B. Lehr Scull* Secretary