

Egg Harbor City, N.J.

January 20, 1942.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association was held in the Fire House, Egg Harbor City, at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Maurice Y. Royal presiding.

The meeting opened by singing "America".

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

Roll call was made and absentees noted.

At this time the President called on Mayor Butteroff of Egg Harbor City whose address of welcome was well received.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Margate City on December 17, 1941, were read and approved.

The President called on Chief George T. Yetter, Chairman of the Auditing Committee who submitted the following report:

To The President, Officers and Members,
Atlantic County Firemen's Association.

Comrades:

Report of Audit of Secretary
and Treasurer.

The Committee appointed to audit the Books of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association reports that an audit was made on the 14th. day of January 1942, in the Town Hall at Mays Landing, New Jersey, a summary of which is as follows:

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| Received from Department Dues | \$28.75 | |
| " " Individual Dues | 143.25 | |
| " " Fire School Advertising Book | 478.00 | |
| | | ----- |
| Total Receipts | | 650.00 |
| Balance on Hand December 31, 1941. | | 76.03 |
| | | ----- |
| Total monies Account for | | \$ 726.03 |
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Disbursements:-

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| Bond of Officers | 10.00 |
| Expenses of Fire School | 441.80 |
| Publicity | 35.00 |
| Stationery & Supplies | 26.65 |
| Flowers | 4.50 |
| Subscription to Volunteer Fireman | 10.00 |
| Ladies Night Expenses | 50.00 |
| Salary, Secretary | 110.00 |

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Salary, Treasurer.

25.00

Cash Balance December 31, 1941.

712.95

13.08

\$ 726.03

The Secretary suggests that the salary of the Secretary for the coming year be reduced to \$75.00 and the Treasurer suggests that the salary of the Treasurer be reduced to \$15.00 owing to the falling off on receipts from which funds are obtained to operate. The auditing committee recommends that these suggestions be carried out in fixing the salaries for the coming year by the Association.

Respectfully Submitted

George T. Yetter

(Committee.

David G. Stuart

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The Auditing Committee of the Death Benefit Fund submitted the following report.

To The President, Officers and members,
Atlantic County Firemen's Association.

(Report of Audit of
(Death Benefit Fund
(Atlantic County Firemen's
(Association

Comrades:

The Committee appointed to audit the books of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Death Benefit Fund of the Atlantic County Firemen's Assn. reports that an audit was made on the 14th. day of January, 1942, in the town hall, Mays Landing, New Jersey, a summary of which is as follows:

Balance on Hand December 31, 1941,

\$ 1,625.45

Collections from Assessments Etc.

651.25

Interest on Bank Balance

14.67

Total Receipts

\$ 2,291.37

Disbursements:-

Postage

4.68

Premium Bonds of Secy. and Treasurer

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| Premium Bonds of Secretary & Treasurer | 10.00 |
| Return overpayment, Eugene Wilson | 1.25 |
| Salary, Secretary | 100.00 |
| Salary, Treasurer | 25.00 |

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| Claims Paid: Harry Frings, Paid to Georgia Frings Widow. | 200.00 | |
| Harry Mason, Paid to Julia M. Mason, Widow. | 200.00 | |
| John Schusler, Paid to Francis Schusler, widow. | 200.00 | 600.00 |

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| Total Disbursements | 740.93 |
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| Balance on hand December 31, 1941, and in the Ventnor City National Bank | 1,550.44 |
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\$ 2,291.37

The Committee compliments the Secretary and Treasurer on the excellent manner in which the accounts of the Death Benefit funds are kept.

Respectfully Submitted.

George T. Yetter (Committee.
Stanton Voas, (Committee.
Edward N. Pennington. (Committee.

It was moved by Chief Henry M. Phillips and seconded by Chief Hudson that the Auditing Committee's report be accepted and the recommendation in regards to the salaries of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association be reduced be complied with. Said motion was carried.

The President stated we would go into the nomination and election of officers for the year 1942.

It was moved by Chief David Stuart and seconded by Chief Hudson that whereas there were no opposition for the various offices that the nominations be closed and the following officers be elected for the current year:

| | | |
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| President | Maurice Y. Royal | Ventnor City |
| 1st. Vice-President | Henry M. Phillips | Hampton |
| 2nd. Vice-President | Dr. W. J. Hudson | Pleasantville |
| Chaplain | Dr. Robert A. Elwood | Absecon |
| Honorary Vice-Pres. | Samuel B. Conyer | Ocean City |
| Secretary | B. Lehr Scull | Mays Landing |
| Treasurer | Edward N. Pennington | Absecon |

Said motion was unanimously carried.

It was moved by Chief Phillips and seconded by Chief Hudson that the Secretary cast the ballot, who declared the above named officers duly elected for the current year.

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The President took this opportunity to thank the members for his re-election and gave a brief outline what had been accomplished during the past year. He recommended that "Ladies Night" be eliminated the coming year and if any funds were available to purchase Defense Bonds or make a donation to the "Red Cross".

He also gave an interesting talk on Civilian Defense and urged all the departments to keep their equipment in good shape in case of emergency.

The President appointed the following members to serve on the Executive Committee for the current year:

Chief
Walter H. Ford, Chairman, Longport.

Henry Heintz Egg Harbor

George H. Hanselman, Jr. Germania.

Chief
George T. Yetter
Mays Landing.
Chief Henry Oliver
Somers Point

The President stated we had a decrease of 45 members in the County Association the past year and urged all Chiefs to get their members interested and join the Association.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary communicate with Mayor Thomas D. Teggart, Jr. and thank him for sending Drill-master Edward Mulvihill, Comrades Jackson and Hackney to our Margate City meeting.

At this time the President introduced Comrade Frank Heck who had served as Janitor of the Atlantic City Schools for the past 42 years and who was going off on pension. Mr. Heck gave an interesting talk and some of his experiences while connected with the Schools.

It was moved by Mr. Robert A. Elwood and seconded by Chief Henry M. Phillips that a rising vote of thanks be given Comrade Heck. Said motion was unanimously carried.

At this time the President called on Comrade Wilson of the Ventnor City Fire Department who gave an interesting talk and demonstration on incendiary Bombs.

It was moved and seconded that the three applications be received and they be admitted to membership. Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the bill of the Inland Agency Inc. in the amount of \$10.00, covering the premium on bonds of the Secy. and Treasurer for the current year be paid. Said motion was carried.

It was moved by Chief David Stuart and seconded by Chief Hudson that a donation of \$5.00 be made to the "Red Cross". Said motion was carried.

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The President stated the Executive Committee had arranged the tentative meeting Schedule for the current year.

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| January | Egg Harbor City |
| February | Somers Point |
| March | Pleasantville |
| April | Morothy |
| May | Elwood |
| June | Linwood |
| July | Longport |
| August | Northfield |
| September | Pomona |
| October | Ventner City |
| November | Hammonton |
| December | Margate City |

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary arrange to have 400 rosters printed and arrange to have same for distribution at our Somers Point meeting. Said motion was carried.

The luncheon furnished by the Egg Harbor Department was enjoyed by the large membership present.

Receipts:
Fred Benson "AD" F.B. 10.00
New-renewing members
and Dept. Dues 66.00

\$ 76.00

Disbursements:
Inland Agency 10.00
Don. Red Cross 5.00

\$ 15.00

Our next meeting will be held at Somers Point on February 18, 1942.

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


Secretary.

Somers Point, N.J.

February 18, 1942.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association was held in the Fire Hall, Somers Point, N.J. at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Maurice Y. Royal presiding.

The meeting opened by singing "America".

Account of the illness of Dr. Robert A. Elwood, Chaplain, the invocation was dispensed with.

At this time the President introduced Chief Henry Oliver of the Somers Point Department.

The President also introduced Mayor Chapman of Somers Point whose address of welcome was well received.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Egg Harbor City on January 21, 1942, were read and approved.

Roll call was made and absentees noted.

Chief David Stuart introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Chief W.J. Hudson:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Atlantic County Firemen's Association that due to the "National Emergency", arising from the necessities of the great war in which our Country is involved, and

WHEREAS, the Annual State Convention in Atlantic City or elsewhere, necessitates the expenditure of a vast sum of money, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this

Convention be withheld for the year 1942 and the money saved by such action

be used for the purchasing of U.S. Defense Bonds, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Copy of said Resolution be forwarded to State Rep. Henry M. Phillips.

On roll call said resolution was unanimously adopted.

It was moved by Chief Hudson, seconded by Chief Stuart that a check be drawn on the Treasurer in the amount of \$2.00, covering the annual dues in the New Jersey Fire School Council for the current year. Said motion was carried.

Somers Point, N.J.

February 18, 1942.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary-Treasurer's report be received and same spread upon the minutes:

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|------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance on Hand December 31, 1941. | \$ 13.00 |
| Receipts | 76.00 |
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| | \$ 89.00 |
| Disbursements | 15.00 |
| | ----- |
| | \$ 74.00 |

Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the application of George Mayne of the Absecon Fire Department be received and he be admitted to membership in this Association.

Said motion was carried.

It was moved by Chief Hudson and seconded by Chief Stuart that the bill of Frank O. Breder for printing 400 Resters in the amount of \$13.00 that same be paid.

Said motion was carried.

At this time the President called on former Comrade Ralph Middleton of the Somers Point Fire Department who gave an interesting talk on "Civilian Defense".

The President stated he thought it would be a good idea to get the "Women" interested in the Fire Department work in case of an emergency they could render valuable assistance.

Asst. Chief Geo. Hanselman, Jr. of Germania, Comrade John J. McGeary of Mays Landing, Comrade J. A. Wilson of Hammonton, and Chief Hudson of Pleasantville gave interesting talks on "Civilian Defense". Also Chief Heania of the Egg Harbor Dept. spoke on the same subject.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary communicate with the Senator and two Assemblymen to assist this Association in securing funds to continue the "Sump Construction Program". Said motion was carried.

Somers Point, N.J.

February 18, 1942.

At this time the President called on Messers James Moore, Bernard Dillon of the Police Department and Gene Wilson of the Fire Dept. of Ventnor who entertained the members with "Moving Pictures" which were very interesting and educational. The Luncheon furnished by the Somers Point Department was enjoyed by all present.

Receipts:

New and Renew Members

\$42.75

Disbursements:

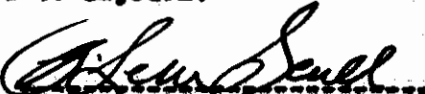
Frank O. Breder-Prtg. Rosters 12.00

N.J. Fire Council-Dues. 2.00

\$ 14.00

Our next meeting will be held at Pleasantville on March 18, 1942.

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


Secretary.

Pleasantville, N.J.

March 18, 1942.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association was held in Redmen's Hall, Pleasantville, N.J. at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Maurice Y. Royal presiding.

The meeting opened by singing "America".

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

At this time the President introduced Chief Hudson of the Pleasantville Department who in absence of the Mayor delivered the address of welcome. Roll call was made and absentees noted.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Somers Point on February 18, 1942 were read and approved.

The President stated the New Jersey State Firemen's Association convention would be held for one day in Newark, N.J.

The President gave a brief talk on "Civilian Defense" and women for Fire Auxiliary work.

Chief Hudson stated his department had their Reserve Firemen present and presented them at this time. Chief Hudson also stated his department had just added another piece of equipment, same being a 750 Gallon Pumper.

The President informed the members that he understood the U.S. Government had made an appropriation for Fire Apparatus, that any City under 200,000 population can make application and they would be entitled a truck for every truck the department had on hand.

It was moved and seconded that the applications of Norman Ireland of Pleasantville and N. Freeman Parker of Ventnor City that same be received and they be admitted to membership in this association.

Said motion was carried.

Pleasantville, N.J.

March 18, 1942.

At this time the President introduced Lieut. Cunningham of the New Jersey State Police who spoke on "Civilian Defense", which was very interesting and instructive.

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

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| Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1941. | \$ 13.08 |
| Receipts Current Year | 118.75 |
| | ----- |
| | \$ 131.83 |
| Disbursement the Current Year. | 29.50 |
| | ----- |
| Cash on Hand March 18, 1942. | \$ 102.33 |

Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary be instructed to write Capt. Carter of the New Jersey State Police and thank him for sending Lieut. Cunningham to our meeting as guest speaker. Said motion was carried. It was moved and seconded that the following bills be paid.

The President called on Chief Geo. T. Yetter of Mays Landing who gave an interesting talk on the knowledge the men received while attending the "Fire School", and the benefits his department had received from the men that had attended the School.

At this time the President turned the meeting over to Comrade James Moore of Ventnor who entertained with "Moving Pictures".

Our next meeting will be held at Dorothy on April 15, 1942.

Receipts:

New & Renew Members \$30.25

Disbursements
None

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


Secretary.

Dorothy, New Jersey.

April 15, 1942.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association was held in the Fire Hall, Dorothy, New Jersey, at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Maurice Y. Royal presiding.

The meeting opened by singing of "America".

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

Roll call was made and absentees noted.

In the absence of Chief Clarence Sutherland, Mr. John Brna made the address of welcome.

At this time the President spoke in regards to the death of Comrade Ferdinand Clerrico of the Bayview Company who has always taken an active part in this Association.

The President also spoke in regards to the Hamonton Fire and what occurs now when a building is destroyed as it is nearly impossible to secure material to rebuild.

It was moved by Dr. Robert A. Elwood and seconded by Treas. Pennington that the Secretary arrange to send a letter of Sympathy to the widow of Comrade Fredinand Clerrico. Said motion was carried.

The President called on Dr. Elwood who spoke on the importance of being a member of the Death Benefit Association and urged that the members join that association at their earliest convenience.

Dr. Elwood recommended that a delegation be appointed to represent the County Association on May 13, 1942, when the State Association will be in session.

It was moved and seconded that the applications of Alton M. Craig, Nesco, William Thibault, Nesco, Oswald Lenzsch, Longport, and Walter Wunsch, Longport be received and they be admitted to membership. Said motion was carried.

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April 15, 1942.

At this time the President called on Chief Geo. T. Yetter of the Mays Landing Dept. who gave an interesting talk on Civilian Defense and Fire Reserves.

Comrade Eugene C. Wahl also spoke in regards to the "Fire Reserves". Comrade James Moore gave an interesting talk on the "Alarm Listening Posts".

It was moved and seconded that a copy of Bill A-221 issue No. 5 by Sen. Hebert be turned over to the Executive Committee for their recommendation. Said motion was carried.

Our next meeting will be held at Elwood on May 20, 1942.

At this time the President turned the meeting over to Comrades James Moore and Eugene Wilson of the Ventnor Department who showed moving pictures of the current war.

Receipts:

New and Renew Members \$ 15.50

Disbursements:

Ernest Beyer-Journal \$2.85

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

Balance on Hand December 31, 1941. \$ 13.08

Receipts Current Year 149.00

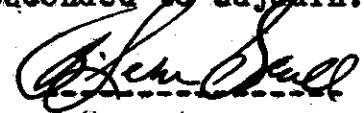
Disbursements:

\$ 162.08
 29.50

Cash on Hand April 15, 1942. \$ 132.58

The Luncheon furnished by the Dorothy Department was enjoyed by all members present.

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


Secretary.

Elwood, N.J.

May 20, 1942.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the Elwood Fire House at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Maurice Y. Royal presiding.

The meeting opened by singing of "America".

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

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Dorothy, N.J. on April 15, 1942 were read and approved.

At this time the President called on Chief Thomas Henshaw of the Elwood Department who made the address of welcome.

At this time the President called on Chief Walter H. Ford, Chairman of the Executive Committee who spoke in regards to Assembly Bill #221, introduced by Assemblyman Herbert which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary. He said Bill reads as follows:

A Supplement to "An act creating the New Jersey Defense Council and defining its powers and duties and prescribing penalties for violations," approved December twenty-first, one thousand nine hundred and forty (P.L. 1940, C-228) as said title was amended by P.L. 1941, C-179.

1. BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. The New Jersey Defense Council shall from time to time assist Volunteer Fire Companies and First-Aids squads by furnishing to them such additional fire-fighting equipment and First-Aid supplies and equipment as may be necessary for the performance of the functions of such volunteer fire companies of first-aid squads in local, state and National Defense.

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2. Applications for such additional equipment and supplies shall be made through the local defense council of the municipality served by the respective volunteer fire company or first-aid squad.
3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Chairman Ford stated he understood that the bill had not as yet been passed.

President Royal spoke in regards to the bill and also in regards to the "Defense Council" and stated that the rules and regulations as adopted by the "Defense Council" must be lived up.

Chief Phillips also spoke on the question and stated he would like an expression from the floor. Several of the members spoke on the question.

The President called on Chief Hudson who stated the Chiefs Unit held a meeting recently and took up the question of "Gas Rationing". He also stated that the Move-Up System as revised would soon be ready and it would cost each department .25 cents a piece to cover the expense.

The President spoke in regards to the Moving-Up System and stated that each department by all means should notify the New Jersey State Police Barracks at Hammonton when they moved into another town to render assistance.

The President also spoke in regards to curtailing the monthly meetings for at least five months account of the "Gas Rationing".

Several of the members spoke on the subject.

It was moved by Comrade Henry Heitz and seconded by Comrade John A. Aurelio that the regular monthly meetings be discontinued until October 1942. when the meeting for that month would be held at Ventnor City. Said motion was unanimously adopted.

Elwood, N.J.

May 20, 1942.

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

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| Balance on Hand December 31, 1941. | 13.08 |
| Receipts current Year. | 164.50 |
| | ----- |
| | 177.58 |
| Disbursements Current Year | 52.35 |
| | ----- |
| Cash on Hand May 20, 1942. | \$ 145.23 |

Said motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that the applications of Harold Barrows and Paul Lawson of the Elwood Department be received and they be admitted to membership. Said motion was carried.

At this time the meeting was turned over to Comrade James Moore of the Ventnor Department who spoke on "Civilian Defense".

Messers James Moore and Eugene Wilson also showed moving pictures of the current war.

Receipts \$8.00 Disbursements None

The Luncheon furnished by the Elwood Department was enjoyed by the large membership present.

Our next regular meeting will be held at Ventnor City on October 21st.

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



Secretary.

Ventnor City, N.J.

October 21, 1942.

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemen's Association was held in the Ventnor City Hall at 8.00 o'clock P.M. on the above date with President Maurice Y. Royal presiding.

In the absence of the Secretary, Comrade Wayne Scull of the Linwood Department was appointed Acting Secretary.

The meeting opened by singing "America".

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

Roll call was made and absentees noted.

The minutes of the regular meeting held at Elwood on May 20, 1942, and the meeting of the Relief Associations, held at Mays Landing on September 9, 1942, were read and approved.

President Royal stated that account of the Gas and Tire rationing that it had been decided to discontinue our monthly meetings during the present year. That our next meeting would be held at Egg Harbor City on January 20, 1943.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary-Treasurer's report be received and same spread on the minutes:

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|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Cash on Hand December 31, 1941. | \$13.08 |
| Receipts Year 1942. | 172.50 |
| | ----- |
| | \$ 185.58 |
| Disbursements Year 1942. | 32.35 |
| | ----- |
| Cash on hand Oct. 21, 1942. | \$ 153.23 |

Said motion was unanimously carried.

It was moved and seconded that the bill of W.J. Thoms for a wreath for Comrade Adolph Mueller for the sum of \$5.00 be paid.

Said motion was unanimously carried.

President Royal gave an interesting talk on "New Fire Bombs" which are much more dangerous than the ones we have been educated to fight.

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October 31, 1943.

At this time the President called on Mr. Maurice F. Aaron, of the New-Jersey Forest Fire Service who gave an interesting talk on the "Forest Fire Service", Mr. Aaron also stated they had a surplus of hose on hand which could be used by the Fire Departments in case of an emergency. He further stated they had thirteen (13) units in this locality who were working with the Armed Forces.

The President called on Chief David Stuart who gave an interesting talk on the "County Association", from the time it was organized up to the present time and what it had accomplished.

At this time the President called on Dr. Elwood who spoke in regards to the "Death Benefit Association", stating it was a wonderful organization and urged all non-members to join this organization.

The President called on Dr. Hudson who spoke on the "Moving Up System", also in regards to the "Maps" which were for sale at thirty cents and urged all Chiefs to arrange to purchase one.

At this time the President called on Mayor Harry Hodson of Ventnor City who gave an interesting talk and stressed the importance of "Scrap Salvage Campaigns", and suggested that every member make an extra effort to assist in this worthy cause.

Our next meeting will be held at Egg Harbor City on January 20, 1943, at which time the nominations and election of officers for the year of 1943 will take place.

Receipts:

Dept. Dues 2.50
Ind. Dues 4.00

\$6.50

Disbursements:

W.J. Thoms-Wreath \$5.00

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

Wilson
Wayne
Acting Secretary.