

Egg Harbor Jan. 14, 1977

The regular meeting of the A.C.F.H. was called to order by Pres. Corbin with the salute to the flag followed by the invocation by Chaplain String.

Reverend String then conducted a memorial service for the memory of our deceased members.

Host Chief Harold Winkler was introduced. He welcomed the Association to Egg Harbor.

Chief Taccarino of Ocean City then installed the association officers for 1977.

Comm. Reports.

Ex Comm. report read and accepted.

It was brought up that a policy needs to be developed to protect the Association from excessive damage to our films and equipment when they are loaned to the various fire companies.

Ladies Nite. The committee is preparing a questionnaire to gather ideas for 1977 Ladies nite.

Training School. Sec. Kinney reported that Basic and advanced courses are scheduled for Feb 28th to May 16th.

Site Comm. Meeting regularly. Need letters from each company expressing need for a training school.

Fire Investigation. Walter Bazby reported that he will be filing a report back to the fire dept. for any investigation he makes.

New Business - Mrs. Coshin requested that all changes for the Green Book be sent to either the secretary or herself by Feb. 1 so that the updates can be printed.

New members approved:

Theodore Abbott Jr.	NAFEC
Robert Daugherty III	ERWOOD.
Douglas Portel	ERWOOD
Joseph Loveland Jr.	ABSECON
Raymond Warner	ABSECON
James Felivene	ABSECON.

Next Meeting Suggested Feb. 16, 1977

Bill Bartlett Sec.

LONGPORT FEB. 16, 1977

The regular meeting of the A.C.F.A. was called to order by Pres. Chas. Carbin with the Flag Salute. Host Tim Barry welcomed the Assoc. to Longport.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and accepted.

Committee Reports.

Radio - The committee reported 1 run to Bel City for a general alarm.

Advisory. Chuck Klein reported on Council meeting. minutes attached.

Legislative - Ed Kolbe reported on a number of bills in the State Legislature.

The meeting was recessed for the program.

Connie Duffield of Mainland Travel introduced Bill Bergey #66 of the Phila Eagles who presented a film of football bloopers and gave a very well received talk on football and the Eagles.

After the program the meeting resumed.

Training School - Registration now being received.

Training Site Comm. - needs letters of need from each Fire Company.

Fire Investigation Walt Buzby requested that companies send in Arson Survey Forms. - About 20 companies have not reported.

Trips. Connie Duffield and Matty Moss presented

two proposed trips for the Assoc. consideration.

1. Hawaii - 3 islands

2. San Francisco, Waikiki, Las Vegas.

Ladies Nite - Comparisons are being made with other restaurants. Committee to report next meeting.

Budget - County Administrator has proposed the same budget as last year.

Communications -

① Advisory Comm. 1977 dues \$10⁰⁰ - Paid.

② Bill Carney appointed to Committee.

New Business.

Secretary directed to send letter to Worthington protesting firing of Russ. Polizotti as C-D director. Copy to R. Hasko.

Certificates of appreciation were presented to the retiring chiefs in the County for 1975 & 1976.

New Members - 6 new members were voted into the Association.

Next meeting Mar 16, Tulsa.

A. Bill Bartlett, Sec.

J. Smith Farmington

R. Hagel Cologne

J. Zeigler NAFEC.

E. Miller Germania

C. Stockton Germania

Folsom March 16, 1977

The meeting was called to order by V.P. Chas Parker with the flag salute and welcomed the Assoc. to Folsom. Ed Gandolfe Mayor of Folsom was introduced and welcomed the Assoc. to Folsom and also spoke of the Forest Fire Service.

The meeting was ~~continued~~ ^{sponsored} for the program presented by Wm Pitman, Supervisor of Information and Education for the Division of Fish, Game & Shellfisheries. Mr. Pitman narrated a slide presentation outlining the Divisions work. After the program the meeting was called to order and the reports of the Sec. & Treas were read and accepted.

Committee reports.

Radio - no report - Van in service at Street Fire in Belleville. County Coordinator Carney reported that the Comco radio in the van was not working and is no longer repairable. The association approved purchasing a replacement radio of the 8 channel scanner type.

Advisory Bill 139 Blue light - no action
A-2090 Firearms license plate - in committee
A Bill is to be introduced to have the State Police take over the Fire Service.

Training. 2 classes running. 18 in Advanced
44 in Basic.

Training site - Letters of need for training site needed from every company.

Sean Book. Update slips tonight.

New Business. The hearing for Russ Peligotti was postponed to next Monday.

Mutual Aid. Being refined.. worked well today at Beltonville fire - most of the county was mobilized.

New members

Ken Matthews - Northfield.

Next meeting - Atlantic City at Elks Bldg.
meeting adjourned at 9:45

P. Bill Bartlett Sec.

Atlantic City April 20, 1977

The regular meeting of the A.C.F.A. was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Pres. Chas. Carbin. Host Chief John Jasper welcomed the Assoc. to Atlantic City and introduced Commissioner Ed Roth, Dir. of Public Safety. The Exalted ruler of the Elks also welcomed the Assoc. to Atl. City. Larry Key was introduced by Comm. Roth. ~~Key~~ as the new Chief of Atl. City Fire Dept.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and accepted.

Committee Reports.

Radio Al Eldredge asked that stations refrain from testing and announcements during fires. F.C.C. regulation Part 5. Mr. Coleman of the F.C.C. will attend a meeting in the near future. The fireholders are now supplying gasoline for the fire equipment at major fires.

Advisory Chuck Klein reported that the committee is applying to the National Fire Academy for a grant to study state organizational planning and fire training & education.

The fire administrator bill # 899 is scheduled for vote on 4/21.

Legislative - Ed Kolbe reported that the Blue light ~~bill~~ bill will be voted on soon.

Training - School cancelled this week due to forest fires.

Olson W. Bazly reported that some suspects are being questioned about forest fires but no arrests yet. He asked that the State or local Police, Forest Fire Service or his office be contacted if any suspicious car is observed in the wooded areas.

County Coordinator Cooney complimented the men on the control of the fires. He requested that a letter of thanks be sent to the out of county Companies and to others who assisted the firemen at the fires. OK. He announced the Chiefs meeting on Apr. 29 at Johnson.

Trips - Reservations being taken.

Communications.

- ① Adl. - Cape May County Traffic Safety Committee re: recommending that a taped safety broadcast be made periodically at major fires.
- ② Elwood Fire Dept - thanks for help at Mar 31 fire.
- ③ Ted Reinhard re: Instructors Conference.
- ④ Chief Shroy: re: Waterous Rump school to be held in Adl. City in May. details to follow.
- ⑤ Bill Bartlett - resignation as secretary.

~~Bill Bartlett~~

Pres. Corbin asked that members ^{make} recommendations for new secretary at next meeting. Joe Hackney called for rising vote of thanks to Bartlett for the job he has done.

Pres. Corbin appointed Joe Hackney to the 7-14 Comm.
Bill Carney announced that Buddy Rodgers of
Northfield placed third in the State Valor Awards.

Program - Alex Stein spoke on his coverage of fires
with the Atl City Press.

A film on dispatching was shown and then
it was discussed by Lee Ireland, Dispatcher for
Egg Harbor Twp. The film and discussion explained
the type of communications and the diversification
needed for dispatcher training.

Next meeting ~~to be~~ Bayview May 18.
Meeting adjourned 9:45 P.M.

Bill Barrett, Sec.

Bayview, May 18, 1977

The regular meeting of the A.C.F.A. was called to order at 8:35 PM. by Pres. Corbin. The flag salute was followed by the invocation with Chaplain String.

Host Chiefs Joseph Akart of Bayview and Charles Guenther, Galloway Twp. Chief were introduced and they welcomed the Association.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and accepted.

Howard Guenther, Pomona, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Secretary.

a motion was approved to stop mailing meeting notice cards.

a motion to return proceeds of fifty-fifty to county asso. Defeated.

a motion approved to pay 25⁰⁰ for portion of Green Book that has been printed.

Committee Reports.

Radio - Al Eldredge reported that the County Gasoline truck has been used at several forest fires to refuel trucks. The radio cards will be ready for the next meeting -

after discussion a motion was approved to allow the Salvation Army to use a 2 way radio on the So. Jersey frequency at major fires or disasters -

The Sec. was requested to send letter to Mr. Coleman of F.C.C. to provide speaker at Pilels

May 18. (Cont.)

meeting.

Legislative Ed Kolbe. read letter from state ordering
Blue lights be removed from fire trucks and
Police Cars. Blue light is only for firemen to
use on their cars.

Training site. - Info being prepared for fireholders.

Trips - Buckhous available.

Fund Raising - Committee thinking of a 20 week club.

New Business. The mutual aid system for forest
fires was questioned. It was decided that questions
should be brought to Chiefs meeting, June 29th,
at Weymouth.

New members accepted.

Charles Kelly, Atl. City.

Howard Dempsey Jr. Swatwater.

Program. An informative slide and film presentation
titled "Watch the Wires" was narrated by
Stanley Smutz and Jeff Hayden of Atlantic
Electric.

Meeting adjourned 10:45 PM

Bill Barrett
Secretary.

Pleasantville

June 16, 1977

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on the above date with President Charles Corbin presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the invocation by Chaplain String.

Host Chief Walter Slunt and Chairman of the Fire Committee Joseph McLaughlin were introduced and welcomed the Association to Pleasantville.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were approved and accepted as read.

Committee Reports were next in order

RADIO COMM: Reported that they had a quiet month and Mr. Coleman of the FCC is present and will discuss various items and regulations and answer questions following the meeting.

ADVISORY COMM: Gave a report on the Advisory Committee meeting and reported that budget and funding is in and it looks as if bill 899 will eventually be passed. Blue light bill allows 1 light on a firemen's car. Also reported that the Fireman of the Year award is to be taken over by Schlitz Brewery.

FUND RAISING COMM: Reported that they would like to get started on a 20 week club with 200 tickets being sold and would take in \$4000 and award \$2000 in prizes. They reported however, that they can not obtain a license to conduct the raffle as they are going to award money prizes. A discussion was held on the pros and cons of conducting the raffle without a license and a motion was made seconded and carried, 14-7 to have the raffle without being licensed. Another discussion ensued and a motion was made, seconded and carried to strike the previous motion and the delegates are to take the issue back to their companies for a discussion and the Association will vote on the raffle at the next meeting. The Secretary was instructed to forward a letter to all of the County Fire Chiefs in regard to the raffle for their company's discussion.

TRIP COMM: Reported that the response to the trips is very small and requested that anyone have applications that desire to go to please send them in.

TRAINING COMM: Reported that the spring sessions have been completed and will give a final report on the sessions at the next meeting.

FIRE INVESTIGATIONS: Walt Busby reported on his investigations which are going along fairly well and the cooperation of the Police and Firemen is greatly improved which makes his job that much easier.

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Taccarino (retired of Ocean City) was presented a plaque & clock from the County Association upon his retirement as Chief of the Ocean City Fire Dept. and also in appreciation for all of the beneficial things that he did for the Atlantic County Firefighters.

Program: Mr. Coleman of the FCC gave a very interesting talk on rules and regulations and answered various questions.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held at 8 PM in Linwood on July 20th.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary

Linwood

July 20, 1977

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighter's Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on the above date with President Charles Corbin presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by introduction of Host Chief John Scull who welcomed the association to Linwood.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were approved and accepted as read.

Committee reports were next in order:

EXECUTIVE COMM: Meeting not held due to lack of quorum.

LEGISLATIVE COMM: Reported that the directors of the County Fire Officers have gone over various bills that they feel are beneficial to the county fire Companies and Departments and have contacted the legislators to push for their approval.

TRAINING COMM: Both Basic And Advanced courses would start sometime in Sept.

L-H FAIR COMM: Reported that there did not seem to be too much interest in going to the Fair on Aug. 12th.

Motion seconded and carried not to participate in the L-H Fair this year due to non-interest and the Secretary to notify their committee.

TRIP COMM: Reported that the applications are being received for the trips.

LADIES' NIGHT COMM: Reported that the cost of the meals have increased 75¢ to \$11.25 per meal. Also reported that a buffet would cost \$8.95 per meal.

Will have to raise the price of the tickets or cancel the floor show.

The membership were in accord to try to get the price reduced or raise the price of the tickets and not to cancel the floor show for the Oct 8th affair.

A letter of thanks was received from the Atlantic City Fire Dept. for the assistance rendered them on July 3rd at their general alarm fire.

George Odenbreight submitted his letter of resignation as 1st Vice President of the County Firefighters' Assn. as he is no longer a member of the Cardiff Fire Co. and therefore feels that he should not hold office in the County.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A discussion was held on the proposed holding of a raffle with it being opposed 13-8.

Motion seconded and carried to forget the raffle and look elsewhere to make money. Different ideas were suggested for the consideration of the Executive Committee.

NEW BUSINESS: The President appointed George Hudson as 1st Vice President serving the remainder of the year of George Odenbreight's term of office.

Program: Ted Reinhard of the Training Committee gave a very interesting talk and short review of the Training sessions he attended at the National College at Tennessee and thanked the Association for sending to the school.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held at 8 PM in Laureldale on August 17th.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary

Laureldale

August 17, 1977

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8 PM on the above date with First Vice President George Hudson presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the introduction of Host Chief Mike Butler who welcomed the Association to Laureldale.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were approved and accepted as read.

Committee reports were next in order.

EXECUTIVE COMM: Will meet on Friday, Sept. 9th

RADIO COMM: No report.

ADVISORY & LEGISLATURE COMM: Reported that possibly some favorable action will be taken soon on Bills A645 blue light bill, A1990 Fire Chief Sole Authority at fire, A2990 Special license plates and S899 Fire Administrator.

The secretary was instructed to check the old minutes on bill S899 (old bill 1111) and see what action was taken by the Association, whether approving or opposing it.

The Secretary was requested that if the Association were in favor of bill S899, to contact our legislatures and have them push this bill along.

TRAINING COMM: Reported that both the Basic and Advanced schools would start in Sept.

TRAINING SITE COMM: Reported no action being taken on site and requested the individual fire companies to push the Freeholders for action on the site.

LADIES NITE COMM: Reported that the committee has been working hard on the Ladies' Night Affair and that band, show and meals have been booked and the price of the tickets was set at \$14 per person.

DEFERRED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Ed Kolbe reported on the meeting of Fire Marshalls that he attended. Chuck Klein spoke and requested those members present to get out more delegates and members to the meetings as the attendance is fallen way off.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held at 8 PM in Hammonton on Sept. 21st.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary

Sept. 21, 1977

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8 PM on the above date with President Charles Corbin presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the invocation by Rev. String.

Host Chief Leonard welcomed the Association to Hammonton. Chief Leonard introduced Mayor Clark who also welcomed the Association to Hammonton and also thanked the Chiefs and members of the Association and all fire companies who rendered assistance to Hammonton this year and in the years past.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were approved and accepted as read.

The report of the Executive Committee meeting of Sept. 9th, 1977 was read and received.

The Executive Committee recommended that better programs be set up to create interest and better attendance at the meetings and that the proceeds of 50-50 be used for programs instead of going to host company.

The Exec. Comm. also recommended that meeting cards be sent out again to all chiefs and delegates.

The committee reported that quite a bit of unfavorable comments, etc. were made due to the County not participating in the 4H Fair this year and strongly recommended that we participate next year and future years if the 4H Fair would welcome the Association back again. Maybe also holding the Fire Prevention Parade again if enough companies desire to participate. The committee requested the companies to check to see if their company dues were paid for the year.

Radio Committee: Radio Committee reported that the radio cards would be distributed after the meeting and that Laureate Press donated the small radio cards to the Assn. Cost of the laminated cards is \$1 each with other cards free.

The Committee also reported on some of the van's activities.

Training Committee: Reported that there are 29 attending the Basic Training Course and 11 attending the Advanced course and they could accommodate more in the Advanced Course.

Advisory & Legislature Committees: Reported that the Blue Light Law 645 was signed into law and repealed all previous blue light laws and the law as passed is very controversial and not a good law for the firemen. Also reported that the Fire Chief as sole authority at fire A1990 has passed both houses and is on the Governor's Desk awaiting his signature. A discussion was held on articulating vehicles over 18000 pounds requiring a special operator's license.

Trip Committee: Reported that 30 people have signed up for the 2 trips.

Ladies' Night Committee: Reported that all arrangements have been made for the Oct. 8th affair and are waiting for confirmations. Also reported that the members of the committee have all done a good job on the affair.

Valor Award: Are waiting to receive any nominations for the award which is presented to volunteer firemen.

Deferred Business: None

New Business: The president reported that he will try to have someone from the Motor Vehicle Division present at the next meeting to go over the Blue Light Bill and fully explain it to the membership.

Motion seconded and carried to put the proceeds of the meetings 50-50 into a special fund for the exclusive use of programs after the meetings instead of going to the host company.

The membership was requested to think over returning to the 4H Fair and once again presenting a program.

Motion seconded and carried to resume sending meeting cards to the chiefs and delegates.

A discussion was held on radio violations and unnecessary testings, transmissions and announcements by both base stations and mobile radios at all times and especially during fires. The radio committee was requested to contact the Chiefs and base stations about the complaint.

It was brought up that some members of the Death Benefit no longer belong to the County Assn. and that some cross checks should be made with the Death Benefit Fund.

Joseph Hackney talked on having a field day with field events for different age groups and requested the body to think the idea over.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held at 8 PM in Northfield on Oct. 19th.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Assoc. was called to order at 8:18 PM on the above date with President Charles Corbin presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were approved and accepted as read.

Radio Committee: Due to the absence of Al Eldridge, Chairman, no report was given.

Training Committee: George Kinsey reported that the training program is going along fine.

Advisory & Legislature Committees: Chuck Kline had nothing to report.

Ed Kolbe reported that he called Trenton regarding the blue light and at the end of the conversation, he was more confused than before he called. Ed also asked about the red light for the Chiefs. He was told that they would let him know.

Trip Committee: /Chief Revelle spoke on the first trip which just returned. He enjoyed the trip so much that he believe more advertising would encourage more people to take advantage of these trips and that we should also plan another trip for next year. President Corbin reported that the second trip to Hawaii left on Monday 10/17/77 with 21 people.

Ladies Night: The attendance was not as anticipated. The reason for the low attendance is unanswered. It was suggested that all the Chiefs discuss Ladies Nite with their Membership. By the next meeting, we would like to know whether the majority would like to return to Merighi's or have Ladies Night someplace else. George Hudson suggested that in the future all tickets be paid for two weeks in advance, this will enable the committee to make better committments with the restaurants so that we don't take a loss on the evening. We had a shortage of \$292.00 from this years event, so Bill Carney made a motion that we withdraw this amount from the Association account to keep our name clean. The motion was seconded by Woody Weeks and Joe Hackney.

Communications: Atlantic City sent a Thank You note to all the companies that responded to the general fire alarm.

Deferred Business: George Hudson wanted to know what happened to the Green Book? Charles Corbin said that he is waiting until the first of the year. At that time he will have the names of all the current chiefs and the book will be up to date.

October 19, 1977

New Business: Bill Carney visited the Museum at the Firemens Home and reported that all the fire companies in Norther New Jersey had articles on display. He suggested that each Fire Company in Atlantic County present something, e'g', a helmet, badge, plaque, etc. so that we will make a showing there. Frank Murphy will be happy to bring these to the Firemens Home. Chuck Kline made a motion we donate (\$50.00) fifty dollars to the Firemens Home and it was seconded by Frank Murphy.

Bills to be Paid:

Shiff Chaney	\$33.92
Howard Gunther	30.66- cards and postage

Nomination of Officers:

Charles Corbin	President
Eric Hensel	1st Vice President
Charles Parker	2nd Vice President
Howard Gunther	Secretary
Anthony Curatola	Assistant Secretary
Frank Pratzner	Treasurer
Revered String	Chaplain

Revised 11-16-77 meeting

Executive Committee:

Anthony Canale
Charles Klein
Joseph Hackney
Charles Guenther
Ted Reinhard
John Houck
John Shuman
John Santoro
Frank Ricci

Nominations will be open at the next meeting

The following new applications were read and approved:

Joseph J. Cullighan
Grafton Jackson
Robert Brall
Christian Coeckert
Karen Rieves
Gary Field
Judi Enget

All are from Pleasantville No. 2

October 19, 1977

Richard D. Sweeney-Assistant Vice President of Kaufmann Agency, Inc. presented the President of his Company, Arthur J. Glatfelter, to the Association. Mr. Glatfelter spoke on insurance for Volunteer Fire Companies and distributed brochures.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned. The next regularly scheduled meeting to be held at 8 PM at Somers Point No. 2 on November 18, 1977.

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Attested



ANTHONY P. CURATOLA,
Assistant Secretary

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighter's Association was called to order at 8 PM on the above date with President Charles Corbin presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer, which were approved and accepted as read.

President Dave Abbott welcomed the Association to Somers Point. Dave Abbott then introduced Joe O'Hara, Somers Point Fire Commissioner, who also extended a welcome to the Association and he expressed his appreciation to the firefighters of his city and also of the County.

The report of the Executive Committee meeting of Nov 11th was read and received. The committee reported that the Communications and Training Committees are working on a budget for 1978 to be presented to the County Board of Freeholders. The Executive Committee recommended that the County Firefighters Assn. request the Board of Freeholders to Appoint a County Fire Marshall and also to propose Ed Kolbe as Fire Marshall.

Radio Committee: Reported that they had a very busy year in 1977 with increase of 400% in hours that the van was used over 1976, 95 hours in 77 and 25 in 76

ADVISORY Comm: No meeting

Training Comm; Training Committee is to conduct a seminar on Feb 4th at 12:45 at the Absegami-Oakcrest High School with no charge being assessed. Seminar to be put on by Bureau of Aviation. Committee reported that the Basic and Advanced courses will be completed in several weeks and they are working on having a Fire Officers Course during 1978.

Legislative Comm: Reported on the Blue Light law and that application cards are available from Trenton via Mayor or Chief Executive of City who must sign and issue them. Necessary to have an authorization card to display blue lights. There is still much misunderstanding on the law and procedures.

Deferred Business; none

New Business: The Secretary read communications from The Atlantic County Fire Officers' Officer wherein they have requested the County Board of Freeholders to appoint a County Fire Marshall and submitted the name of Ed Kolbe for their consideration. After a discussion on a County Fire Marshall, a motion was made, seconded and carried that the County Firefighter's Assn. concur with the Fire Officers Assn. and request the appointment of a County Fire Marshall and also to recommend Ed Kolbe for the position. The Secretary was instructed to contact the County on this item.

The Treasurer reported that the 1977 County Appropriation has been received, \$1000 for Communications and \$3500 for Training.

Bills to be paid are Schiff Charney stationery 6.98 and Postage 17.34
Salaries for 1977 being paid are as follows:

S. Bill Bartlett	Secretary $\frac{1}{2}$ year	\$100.00
Howard Guenther	Secretary $\frac{1}{2}$ year	100.00
Frank Pratzner	Treasurer	100.00
Anthony Curatola	Asst. Treas-Secr.	100.00

A discussion was held on again participating at the LH Fair and the delegates to go back to their respective companies for their consideration on participating and possibly set up programs for the Fair. They were also requested to discuss holding the fire prevention parade again.

Bill Carney introduced his guest of the Evening, Mr. Harry Martin Executive Committeeman from Cape May County to the N.J. State Firemen's Association.

Second Nomination of Officers was next in business with the following being nominated:

President	Charles Corbin
	George Hudson
1st Vice President	Eric Hensel
2nd Vice President	Charles Klein
Secretary	Howard Guenther
Treasurer	Frank Pratzner
Assistant Treasure-Secretary	Anthony Curatola
Chaplain	Reverend String
Sergeants-At-Arms (3)	George Rodgers
	John Staub
	Joseph C Tomasella
Executive Committee (7)	Anthony Canale
	Charles Guenther
	Joseph Hackney
	John Houck
	Charles Klein
	Ted Reinhard
	Frank Ricci
	John Santoro
	John Shuman

Elections to be held at the next regular meeting

Program: A very interesting program was presented on the Garden State Race Track Fire by Erlton Fire Chief Hugh Gibson along with several of his firemen who were first on the scene. Films and slides were presented with first action was rescue of attendees at days racing events. This program was well received by all in attendance.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Wed. Dec. 21st at Farmington at 8 PM.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighter's Association was called to order at 8 PM on the above date with President Charles Corbin presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting by the Secretary, which were approved and accepted as read.

The report of the Treasurer was approved and accepted as read.

Host Chief Jim Denny of Farmington welcomed the Association to Farmington and also introduced several officers of the fire company as well as Egg Harbor Township Fire Chief Tony Canale.

Correspondence consisted of Season's Greetings from Galloway Township Fire Chief Charles J. Guenther. Letters of appreciation were received from the City of Atlantic City for furnishing men and equipment to their general alarms fires of Nov. 30th and Dec. 10th. The Gloucester Co. Firemen's Assn. requested backing for passage of bills in regard to sponsoring Junior Firemen. The President appointed Frank Ricci, Anthony Curatola and Elwood Seelman to a committee to look into this proposed legislation and report back at a future meeting.

A letter of thanks was received from the N.J. State Firemen's Home for the donation of money from the County Assn.

Radio Committee: Reported that they had several runs to Atlantic City during the month and also that 1977 was a very busy year.

Budget Comm; Reported that the budget for the Training and Communications Committees has been prepared and forwarded to the Atlantic County Administrator and are waiting to hear from him.

Training Comm: Reminded the members of the Seminar on Feb. 4th on Airplane Crashes at the Absegami and Oakcrest High School.

The committee also reported that they plan on holding a Basic Fire Training School in Feb. and will also have a new school starting for Officers on Fire Ground Tactics for Line Officers starting in Feb.

Deferred Business: The date of Jan. 21st was set for a workshop on Forest Fires at Mays Landing Fire House with all Line Officers being requested to attend if possible to try to resolve some of the problems encountered on fires with the N.J. State Forest Service and Several sessions are scheduled with the Forest Fire Personnel.

NEW BUSINESS: Bills were presented and approved for payment as follows:

Postage	19.44
Lamination of radio Cards	50.00

Election of Officers was next in order with Hugh Kear, Frank Murphy and Harold Weeks acting as tellers.

Motion seconded and carried for the Secretary to cast a ballot for those running unopposed for office.

The results of the election are as follows:

President	George Hudson	Cologne
1st Vice President	Eric Hensel	Milmay
2nd Vice President	Charles Klein	Germania
Secretary	Howard Guenther	Demona
Treasurer	Frank Pratzner	Egg Harbor
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer	Anthony Curatola	Folsom
Chaplain	Rev. Charles String	
Sargeants-at-Arms (3)	George Rodgers	Northfield
	John Staub	Estell Manor
	Joseph Tomasella	Hammonton

Executive Committee (7)

Anthony Canale
Charles Guenther
Joseph Hackney
Charles Klein
Ted Reinhard
Frank Ricci
John Shuman

Bargaintown
Pomona
Atlantic City
Germania
Egg Harbor City
Weekstown
Somers Point

Program: The exchanging of Christmas gifts were held by the members following by serving of refreshments by the host company which were enjoyed by all.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Wed., Jan. 18th at Egg Harbor City at 8 PM.

Attested
Howard R. Guenther
Secretary