



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Egg Harbor City

January 17, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, January 17, 1996 with President Ted Reinhard presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation by the Association Chaplain, Thomas Sweeny.

Chief Barry Barry Kienzle of the Egg Harbor City Fire Department welcomed the membership and guests to the City. Chief Kienzle then introduced his line officers.

President Ted Reinhard welcomed guests Assemblyman Frank Blee, Atlantic County Executive Richard Squires, Glen Mawby Deputy Administrator, Freeholders Dennis Levinson and Kirk W. Conover, Director of Emergency Management John Thompson, Director of Public Safety Frank Mazzone, and Egg Harbor City Mayor James McGeary.

The Memorial Services were conducted by the Association Chaplain, Thomas Sweeny in honor and memory of those firefighters of Atlantic County who answered their last alarm during the past year. Memorial Candles were lit by Thomas Hunter, with the bell being tolled by Clarence Guenther as the Secretary, Howard Guenther read the roll.

Members of the "Final Roll" were

Kenneth R. Thomas	Absecon	John Kertz	Germania
Albert Zeising	Absecon	Fred Schroer	Germania
Joseph Butler	Atlantic City	Louis G. Stadtmueller	Germania
Walter Camp Sr.	Atlantic City	Kathleen A. Comparri	Landisville
Joseph Carpenter	Atlantic City	Edmond B. Hannum Jr.	Linwood
Joseph Martinelli	Atlantic City	Robert E. Jarvis	Linwood
John McNally	Atlantic City	John D. Sutton	Linwood
Evan Mills	Atlantic City	John J. Wittenwiler Jr	Linwood
William Moore Sr.	Atlantic City	Robert K. Adams Sr.	Longport
William Wilson	Atlantic City	Tom Rogar	Northfield
Harry W. Staut	Bargaintown	Robert J. Greiner	Pleasantville
Stanley F. Conover	Bayview	Roy C. Higbee	Pleasantville
Noel G. Kistler	Bayview	Daryl L. Martin	Pleasantville
George A. McHale	Bayview	Joseph H. Murphy	Pleasantville
William Millar	Bayview	Henry Gabriel Jr.	Pomona
Charles A Smith Jr.	Bayview & NJANG Sta 24-2	Robert F. Orme Sr.	Pomona
Jim Dorr	Dorothy	A. Robinson	Richland
Randolph Stalhuth	Estell Manor	T. Romanini	Richland
Alice Staub	Estell Manor	Howard Weber Sr.	South Egg Harbor
William Dupper Jr.	Farmington	Dominick Vitanza	Ventnor City

The "Lord's Prayer" was song by Howard Berchtold Jr.

## DATE CLEARING

Sunday	Feb. 11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7:00 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	March 3	Bargaintown	Spaghetti Dinner	1:00 to 6:00 PM
Sunday	March 10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7:00 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	March 23	Caesar's Restaurant	Firefighters' Association Dinner	
Sunday	March 24	Bargaintown	Breakfast	8:00 AM to 12 noon
GoodFriday	April 5	Pomona	Fish Fry	4:00 to 8:00 PM
Sunday	April 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7:00 AM to 12 noon
Wednesday	April 17	Fire Training Ctr.	Firefighters' Association Meeting and Valor Awards	
Saturday	April 27	Hammonton #2	100th Anniversary Parade and Celebration	
Sunday	April 28	Richland	Macroni Dinner	12 noon to 6:00 PM
Saturday	May 4	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4:00 to 8:00 PM
Saturday	May 11	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7:00 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	June 2	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	12 noon to 6:00 PM
Saturday	June 2	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	

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## DATE CLEARING (continued)

Sunday	June	9	Farmington	Classic Muster & Indoor Flea Market	info 646-2803
Tuesday	August	20	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co. Caucus for 1996 Firemen's Convention	8PM
Fri & Sat	Sept	13&14	Wildwood	1996 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept.	14	Wildwood	Firemen's Parade	1:00 PM
Saturday	Oct.	5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4:00 to 8:00 PM
Saturday	Oct.	19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

Roll Call was taken to ensure a quorum being present.

Minutes of the previous meeting of December 20, 1995 were approved as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

The Report of the Executive Committee meeting of January 5, 1996 was accepted and approved as read. Howard Berchtold Jr. was selected as Chairman, Frank Sutton as Assistant Chairman, and Howard Guenther as Secretary of the Executive Committee for 1996. In order to save on mailing costs, the minutes of the Firefighters' Assn. and the Chiefs' Assn. of the County are to be combined into 1 mailing by the Secretaries of the 2 Associations.

It was reported that Fire Marshal Harold "Whitey" Swartz is in the hospital due to chest pains.

Mayor James McGeary presented a plaque to President Reinhard naming him as an Outstanding Fireman. Executive Richard Squires presented the President with a resolution from the County recognizing him for his serving as President of the Firefighters Assn. for 15 years. County Executive Squires also presented a Resolution to Anthony Canale recognizing him for his many years as Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Mr. Squires then gave a partial update on Centralized dispatch and that municipal support is needed on this project.

Executive Squires then installed the following into office for 1996

President	Edward Vincent	Executive Committee (9)
1st Vice President	Thomas Hunter Jr.	Howard Berchtold Jr.
2nd Vice President	Dennis Sharpe	Barry Bruner
Secretary	Howard R. Guenther	Anthony Canale
Treasurer	Lou Raciti	Donald DaGrossa
Chaplain	Thomas Sweeny	Oscar Dutch
Sergeants-at-Arms (3)	Howard Bowen	James Garth
	Clarence Guenther	Charles J. Guenther
	George Scarlett	Frank Sutton
		John V. Wagner

Retiring President Ted Reinhard then turned the gavel over to newly installed President Edward Vincent.

Ed's first official duty was to present plaques from the Firefighters' Association to Ted Reinhard and Anthony Canale.

Recently appointed Director of Training, Mike Corbo, then outlined changes being made in the training courses and that classes are to start the end of the month and that the Training Booklets have been forwarded to the Chiefs of companies in the County. Mike also expressed his and the Association's thanks to Don DaGrossa for his many years served as Training Director.

There is to be a joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the fact finding training committee to be held at the fire training center on Friday, February 9th at 8 PM.

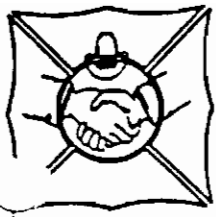
Michael Sweeney of Somers Point #2 and James Foley of Atlantic City were approved for membership in the Association.

The Atlantic County Chiefs' Association is to sponsor a F.A.S.T. seminar (Firefighter Assist Search Team) and information will be forwarded to all companies.

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts. The President requested that anyone who desires to serve on a committee to contact him.

Committees will be appointed at the next meeting of the Firefighters' Association which is to be held on Wednesday, February 21 at 8:00 PM in Longport.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Longport

February 21, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 21, 1996 with President Ed Vincent presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by a silent prayer for our sick members and departed firefighters.

The Association was welcomed to Longport by Deputy Chief Levon Clayton who introduced Mayor William Fiore and Councilperson Ellen A. Cohen who is also the Commissioner of Public Safety and they both extended a cordial welcome to the membership.

The Secretary read the rolls to properly record attendance and ensure a quorum being present.

Minutes of the previous meeting of January 17, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

Mike Corbo, Director of Training, sent in his report in regard to training and the class for Incident Command System scheduled in February had to be cancelled due to weather and is now rescheduled for March 8th and 9th. Mike also reported that he forwarded forms requesting use of apparatus at miscellaneous days and would appreciate receiving them back shortly. Updated copies of insurance coverage for trainees is also needed.

Harold "Whitey" Swartz thanked the membership for their get well cards during his recent illness. Whitey also requested that the fire companies forward their 1995 fire reports to him as soon as possible. Forms for nominees for the Valor Awards have been sent out to all companies and they are due back NOW. Presentation of Valor Awards is to be on Wednesday, April 17th at the Association's meeting at the Fire Training Center.

## DATE CLEARING

Saturday	March 9	Estell Manor	Spaghetti Dinner	4 to 7 PM
Sunday	March 10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	March 16	Weekstown	Spaghetti Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	March 16	Scullville-E.H.T. Fire	Explorers Spaghetti Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	March 16	Farmington	Country Line Dance	7 to 11 PM
Saturday	March 23	Somers Point #1	Spring Craft Show	
Saturday	March 23	Caesar's Restaurant-	Firefighters' Association Dinner	
Sunday	March 24	Bargaintown	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Good Friday	April 5	Pomona	Fish Fry	4 to 8 PM
Fri & Sat	April 5&6	Northfield	Easter Flower Sale	8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Sunday	April 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Wednesday	April 17	Fire Training Ctr.	Firefighters' Assn. Meeting and Valor Awards	
Saturday	April 27	Hammonton #2	100th Anniversary Parade and Celebration	
Sunday	April 28	Richland	Macaroni Dinner	12 noon to 6 PM
Saturday	May 4	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	May 11	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May 19	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	June 1	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Que. etc.	
Sunday	June 2	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Que	12 noon to 6 PM
Sunday	June 9	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	June 9	Farmington	Classic Muster & Indoor Flea Market	info 646-2803
Tuesday	Aug. 20	Egg Harbor City	1996 Atlantic County Caucus for Convention	8 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 13&14	Wildwood	1996 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept. 14	Wildwood	Firemen's Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Oct. 5	Somers Point #1	Triple Housing	
Saturday	Oct. 5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

President Edward Vincent appointed the following Chairman to their respective committees:

Memorial Services	Thomas Sweeny	Legislation	John V. Wagner
4-H Fair	Howard Berchtold Jr.	Advisory Council	John V. Wagner
Valor Awards	Harold "Whitey" Swartz	By-Laws	Barry Bruner
Fire Marshal	Harold "Whitey" Swartz	Photographers	Robert Swartz
Director of Training	Michael Corbo	Library	Ron Bird Jr.
Liaison to Chief's Assn	Michael Corbo	Auditing	Robert VanDyke
N.J. Firemen's Home	William E. Hurd	Promotions	R. Thomas Hunter Jr.
NJ State Firemen's Assn	Howard R. Guenther	Recruitment	Dennis Sharpe
Dinner	Howard R. Guenther	Fire Coordinators	Matthias "Beau" Endres
RadioPolicy/Central Dispatch	E. Scott Feldman	Fire Investigator	Ed Hackett
EMS in the Fire Service	Daniel E. Adams	Death Benefit	Jim Schoenstein
Forest Fire Interface	Oscar Dutch	Fact Finding Training Committee	
Training Board of Directors		Firefighters	John C. Wagner
Firefighters Assn	Oscar Dutch		Rick Coraluzzo
	Howard R. Guenther	Chiefs	Frank Denan
Chiefs' Assn.	Frank Denan		James Garth Sr.
	Jake Lees	Executive Comm	Howard Berchtold Jr.
Instructors	Mike Corbo		Barry Bruner
	Ed Vincent	Budgets	Lou Raciti
Executive Committee	Anthony Canale		Howard Berchtold Jr.
	Howard Berchtold Jr.		Howard R. Guenther
County	Harold "Whitey" Swartz		Mike Corbo
	John Thompson		Beau Endres

The Committee Chairman is to pick the members of his committee as appropriate.

President Ed Vincent reported that there is to be a Firefighter-Police Memorial plot in Atlantic City complete with memorials and plaques and names of firefighter line of duty deaths are needed and forms for this information are to be forwarded to all companies and returns are needed ASAP as dedication is to be very shortly. Forms with names must be returned by the March 20th meeting to be included on the memorial wall. The Auditing Committee reported finding the books of the Treasurer all in order, well kept, and correct.

The Treasurer reported that one of the CD's is to mature and motion was made, seconded and carried to roll it over and get best rate.

Motion seconded and carried to pass the resolution naming the job title "Director of Training" as the signator for Bureau of Fire Safety requirements and not a person's name.

Jim Garth gave a short update of the Fact Finding Training Committee.

Ron Bird reported that the library would generally be open on Tuesday evenings.

The Dinner Committee reported that the affair is to be held on Saturday March 23 at Caesar's on Route 40 with Hors D' Oeuvres at 7 PM (cash bar) and dinner at 8 PM. Those desiring to go to dinner should let one of committee members know of their choice of dinner.

Scott Feldman gave a short update on Centralized dispatch and that the support of the local municipal governments is needed and that a slide presentation is being put together to show at the league of municipalities meeting and whenever it is desirable for showing.

The following 4 members from Bayview were approved for membership into the Association  
 Michael Burroughs      Mark Sciore      Thomas Pitale Jr.      Dennis Krause

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

The program for the next meeting will be presented by the Forest Fire Service.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with next meeting of the Association to be held at 8 PM on Wednesday, March 20th in Folsom.

Attested                      Howard R. Guenther, Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Folsom

March 20, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 P.M. with President Ed Vincent presiding on Wednesday, March 20, 1996.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by a silent prayer for our sick and departed members.

The Association was welcomed to Folsom by Chief Larry Smith.

The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present.

Minutes of the previous meeting of February 21, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

E. J. of the Atlantic County Health Department was present and reported that National Health Awareness Week is April 1st thru 7th and would appreciate display this at the firehouses in the County.

Jim Gowdy of the New Jersey Forest Fire Service gave an excellent slide presentation on Wildland/Urban Interface and Forest Fires.

The program for the next meeting of April 17th which is to be held at the Fire Training Center is to be the Valor Awards presentation. Congressman Frank LoBiondo was scheduled to attend, but he must decline due to having to be in Washington at that time.

There are to be 12 recipients of the Valor Awards presentations and we expect quite a turnout for the program. Please try to attend to honor those being recognized for valor.

President Vincnet reported that there is to be a Police and Firefighters Plaza in Atlantic City to honor the Line of Duty deaths with the names to be carved on wall and names are being compiled with dedication set for Wednesday, May 22 at 11 AM and attendees are requested to be in Class A uniforms.

John V. Wagner gave a report on the Advisory and Legislative Committees.

Motinn seconded and carried to set April 1st as cutoff date for ordering the road signs for recruitment.

## DATE CLEARING

Good Friday	April 5	Pomona	Fish Fry	4 to 8 PM
Fri & Sat	April 5&6	Northfield	Easter Flower Sale	8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Sunday	April 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Wednesday	April 17	Fire Training Center	Firefighters' Assn. Meeting & Valor Awards	8 PM
Saturday	April 20	Oceanville	Fried Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	April 27	Hammonton #2	100th Anniversary Parade and Celebration	
Sunday	April 28	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	April 28	Richland	Macroni Dinner	12 noon to 6 PM
Saturday	May 4	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	May 11	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May 12	Estell Manor	Breakfast	7 to 11 AM
Sunday	May 12	Hammonton #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	May 19	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	June 1	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc	
Sunday	June 2	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be Que, etc	12 noon to 6 PM
Sunday	June 9	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	June 9	Farmington	Classic Muster & Indoor Flea Market	646-2803
Tuesday	Aug. 20	Egg Harbor City	1996 Atlantic County Caucus for Convention	
Saturday	Sept. 7	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 13&14	Wildwood	1996 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept. 14	Wildwood	Firemen's Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Oct. 5	Somers Point #1	Triple Housing	
Saturday	Oct. 5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

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Motion seconded and carried to accept the minutes of the March 1st meeting of the Executive Committee as read.

A Report was made on the March 11th Board of Directors meeting and orientation of new Safety and Training Officers as well as reorientation classes for present ones will be held shortly. Hopefully, we can have at least one Duty Officer trained per company. Ted Reinhard reported on the FDIC in Indianapolis and he presented his wish list to several suppliers and once again goodies in the way of fire equipment is on the way. Thanks Ted for procuring necessary equipment at "no cost".

Mike Corbo reported that 51 are enrolled in Firefighter I and that Firefighter II is to start shortly. Mike also gave a short report on the F.A.S.T. seminar given by the Chiefs Association.

Winners of the Fire Prevention Poster Contest were announced

Rachel Schoenstein  
Egg Harbor City  
4th Grade-Spragg School

Megan Connelly  
Galloway Township  
2nd Grade-Smithville School

Adam Phillips  
Galloway Township  
4th Grade-Roland Rogers School

Jenifer Zungalo  
Galloway Township  
6th Grade-Smithville School

Kristin Snyder  
Galloway Township  
9th Grade-Absegamin High School

Motion seconded and carried to purchase and present each of the 5 winners a \$50 savings boon.

Motion seconded and carried to present a plaque to NJ Forest Fire Service as token of appreciation.

Motion seconded and carried to approve the title change from Training Chairman to Director of Training.

Motion seconded and carried to recommend Harold "Whitey" Swartz to the Atlantic County Fire Chiefs Assn. for their consideration of his appointment as Atlantic County Fire <sup>COORDINATOR</sup>  
~~Member~~ on a permanent basis.

Motion seconded and carried to contact our Assemblymen to try to get legislation changed to allow the County to appropriate more money toward training.

Harold Swartz reported that they are starting to make display to exhibit the shoulder emblems of the County Fire Companies for a display at the Fire Training Center.

Ron Bird Jr. reported that he has the library open on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 10 PM and that he needs help to have it open on other evenings and weekends. Anyone wanting to tend the library should contact Ron.

Fund Raising was discussed and one idea was the Calendar fund raising which was turned over to the committee for study.

The application of Joseph A. Myers Jr. of Bargaintown was approved for membership.

The Executive Committee is to meet on March 29 to go over budgets.

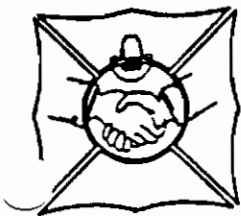
Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts ,

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Firefighters' Association is to be held at the Fire Training Center on Wednesday, April 17th at 8:00 PM. This meeting is to be hosted by the Atlantic City Fire Department and the program for the evening is the Valor Awards Presentation.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary





# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Atlantic County Fire Training Center

April 17, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, April 17, 1996 with President Ed Vincent presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation by Thomas Sweeny, Chaplain of the Firefighters' Association.

The meeting was hosted by the Atlantic City Fire Department all in attendance were welcomed by Chief Benjamin Brenner.

President Ed Vincent acknowledged and introduced those members of the Atlantic County government in attendance as well as those in attendance from various municipal bodies of the County. Ed also extended a welcome to all in attendance and noted that it was a "Full House".

The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present.

President Ed Vincent introduced the members of the Valor Award Committee and gave a short discourse on the background of the Fire Service of the County.

Ed and Fire Marshal Harold Swartz conducted the Valor Awards with a narrative being given by the Commander of the fire scene as the awards were given out. Recipients of Awards were

**Meritorious Awards**

Anthony Boccelli	177th Air National Guard
Samuel Marells	177th Air National Guard

**Class Two Awards**

Michael Arroy Sr.	Atlantic City International Airport
Samuel Horton	Atlantic City Fire Department
Bruce Martin	Atlantic City Fire Department
Roderick Knox	Atlantic City Fire Department

**Class One Awards**

Steven Klein	Atlantic City Fire Department
Robert Macready	Atlantic City Fire Department
William Brooks	Atlantic City Fire Department
Steven Robles	Atlantic City Fire Department
Eric Schairer	Estell Manor Fire Department

**Top Valor Award**

Dan Collins	Estell Manor Fire Department
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Dan Collins was presented his award by Taylor Wigglesworth, the 7 year old boy who was rescued in the fire at his home in Estell Manor.

Taylor Wigglesworth was presented with a resolution from County Executive Richard Squires proclaiming April 17th as Twylor Wigglesworth Day and making him a Junior Fire Marsah. Taylor was presented with his Junior Fire Marshal helmet by Fire Marshal Swartz.

All recipients of the Valor Awards were recognized and applauded for their outstanding service and actions taken at the fire scenes.

The meeting was then recessed for refreshments and then resumed shortly thereafter.

**DATE CLEARING**

Saturday	May	4	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	May	11	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May	12	Estell Manor	Breakfast	7 to 11 AM
Sunday	May	12	Hammonton #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	May	19	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	June	1	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	1 to 7 PM
Sunday	June	2	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	12 noon to 6 PM
Sunday	June	9	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	June	9	Farmington	Classic Muster & Indoor Flea Market	info 646-2803

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## DATE CLEARING (continued)

Sunday	July	14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Aug.	20	Egg Harbor City	1996 Atlantic County Caucus for Convention	8 PM
Saturday	Sept.	7	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept	13&14	Wildwood	1996 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept.	14	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Oct.	5	Somers Point #1	Triple Housing	
Saturday	Oct.	5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct.	19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

Minutes of the previous meeting of March 20, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries with a minor correction.

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

The Executive Committee reported they held a special meeting to go over budgets and will continue with the budgets at their next meeting of May 3rd and give report at the May 15th meeting of the Association.

The recruitment road signs have been ordered and will be distributed when they arrive.

The Dinner Committee reported that 35 attended the March 23rd affair.

President Vincent reported on the Police and Firefighters Memorial Plaza in Atlantic City to honor those members of the County who death occurred in the Line of Duty and their names are to be engraved in a granite wall. Dedication of the Plaza is to be on Wednesday, May 22nd at 11 AM and attendees are requested to be in their Class A uniforms for the ceremony.

Secretary Howard Guenther reported that he has submitted the name of Dan Collins of Estell Manor to the Atlantic County Chapter #141 of the Fellowship of Christian Peace Officers for their consideration of him for their award which is to be presented at 10 AM on Saturday May 11th in Atlantic City at the Greater Holy Trinity Church.

Mike Corbo, Director of Training reported that the use of the training facilities has increased and hopefully more and more companies will avail themselves of the center. Mike reported that plans are being made to train new Safety and Training Officers as well as having refresher courses for the present Safety and Training Officers. Classes to be given sometime in June and July and to have separate classes for new and refresher. Also looking into having Firefighter I training during the day in the summer. Skills tests are to be given by the State for Instructor Level I and II on June 15th.

The applications for membership for Kirk Battles and Andrew Kilcoyne of Longport were approved.

The President made mention that dues are due for 1996 and those companies and members who still owe should remit same.

Chaplain Thomas Sweeny reported that he has access to uniforms for firefighters who desire to be buried in uniform but does not have one. Tom may be contacted for additional info.

Motion seconded and carried to pay bills as presented out of their respective budgeted accounts.

Program for the evening was presented by John Thompson with a narrative and slide presentation on the Elwood tire fire.

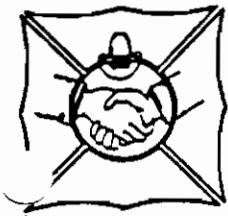
The program for the May 15th meeting is to be presented by Battalion Chief Joseph Ward on Critical Incident Stress.

Benediction was conducted by Chaplain Thomas Sweeny,

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 15th at 8:00 PM at the Pomona Fire Station.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary





# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Pomona (Galloway Township)

May 15, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, May 15, 1996 with President Ed Vincent presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the reading of the rolls to ensure a quorum being present and to record attendance. The membership was welcomed to Pomona by Chief Charles Winkler and to Galloway Township by Chief Thomas Culleney.

Minutes of the previous meeting of April 17, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 29 and Regular Meeting of May 3 of the Executive Committee were approved and accepted as read.

Howard Berchtold Jr. reported that the 4-H fair is to be held on August 8-9-10 and are working on plans for displays, etc.

Drawings for positions in the September 14, 1996 Parade in Wildwood will be held at the next meeting to be held in Collings Lakes on June 19 for those companies/departments desiring to participate in the parade as part of the Atlantic County Unit. Parade invitations are to be sent out shortly and should be forwarded to the secretary of the firefighters Association or brought to the June 19th meeting. Forms will also be available at the meeting for those needing them. Three (3) trophies will be awarded to units of the Atlantic County portion of the parade, 2 by the Firefighters Association and 1 by the Chiefs Association.

Harold Swartz reported that there were 187 in attendance at the Valor Awards presentation. Whitey also reported that a display case has been constructed for fire company patches and emblems, however it is short patches from 17 companies.

He also reported that all scheduling at the training center is being done by Ruth at the front desk and all applications must be cleared thru her.

Whitey also reported that there are now 8 deputy fire coordinators and that he needs updates for the Mutual Aid "Green Books".

He also reminded all of the upcoming September 28 drill at the FAA Tech Center.

The Board of Directors reported that request for permits were forwarded to Pinelands in November 1995 for the confined space project and are waiting for their approval. To contact utilities for contributions and equipment for this project. Will sit down shortly to draw up a Master Site Plan. A rough draft has been completed on LP SOP's, and are to revise existing SOP's to make facility more user friendly.

Recertification as well as certification of new safety and training officers to be held. Will upgrade company training officers to company Duty Officers as the Chief wishes and a company may have as many as they want certified. Class A Foam to be added to LP training. A problem exists with scheduling as well as other items and running of air system when other training takes place in engine room and motion was made, seconded and carried for the President to contact Richard Squires to resolve, and if necessary to forward letter, and if need be to contact the Board of Directors.

## DATE CLEARING

Sunday	July 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Aug. 11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Aug. 20	Egg Harbor City	1996 Atlantic County Caucus for Convention	8 PM
Saturday	Sept 7	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Fri&Sat	Sept 13&14	Wildwood	1996 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept 14	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Oct. 5	Somers Point #1	Triple Housing	
Saturday	Oct. 5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

The Training Committee reported that present classes (spring session) are going along very smoothly and the schedule for the Fall Session classes will be out shortly. They also reported that the smoke machine has been repaired and that training has picked up and more and better use is being made of the training facilities. Are trying to get the present Air Compressor system upgraded to a cascade system which will help to resolve some of the problems with noise during training sessions. Blairstown Fire Company has donated a fire truck to the Association and is to be picked up shortly. A skills Test is to be given on June 15th at the Fire Training Center by the Bureau of Fire Safety.

The Atlantic County Justice Facility will provide Boot Camp inmates for washing, waxing, etc. of government or volunteer agency vehicles. More information may be obtained from Sergeant Ernest Gregg at 645-5855 (X 7579) Monday to Friday 8 AM to 3 PM.

John V. Wagner reported that recruitment signs have been ordered and waiting for delivery. Galloway Township reported they are in the process of going to the 800 MHz radio system.

Ron Bird reported that the Library is open on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 PM. He also requested that anyone wishing to assist with the Library to contact him and maybe the library could be opened more frequently. Ron also requested that anyone who wishes to donate any books, etc. to the library to contact him or someone associated with center.

The President reminded the membership of the dedication ceremony on Wednesday, May 22 of the Firefighter and Police Memorial Plaza and names of those firefighters and police who gave their lives in the line of duty will be engraved in the granite. Statues will be added in the future. It was reported that the casinos pulled out of this project and that the Cape-Atlantic 200 Club has taken over this endeavor and a motion was made, seconded and carried to make a \$100.00 donation to the memorial fund.

Motion seconded and carried to rename the present building account as the Training Capital Account.

Motion seconded and carried to use the interest from the Profits of the Trips Fund for Training Capital Purchases.

Motion seconded and carried to accept the Training Budget as presented for the first 6 months of 1996.

Congratulations to the Hammonton Fire Co. No. 2 upon their 100th anniversary.

John V. Wagner was appointed to chair a committee to compile an inventory of the assets and equipment of the Association.

Christopher Bardsley and Jeffrey Martinsen of Bayview were approved for membership.

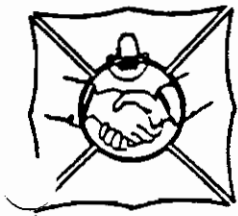
Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

The program for the evening was on Critical Incident Stress and was presented by Joseph Ward of the Mercury Atlantic Cape CISM Team.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 19 at 8 PM at the Collings Lakes fire station.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary

PS Don't forget your parade applications and drawing at June 19th meeting for the Wildwood Parade.



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Collings Lakes (Buena Vista Township)

June 19, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, June 19, 1996 with President Ed Vincent presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by a silent prayer in memory of deceased member, David Ang of Somers Point.

The membership was welcomed to Collings Lakes and Buena Vista Township by Chief Ed Jones. The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance as well as to ensure a quorum being present.

Minutes of the previous meeting of May 15, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

The drawing for positions in the Atlantic County Unit in the Wildwood parade of Saturday, September 14th was held and is as follows:

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| Atlantic County Banner                 | 12. Grae Ayers                                 |
| 1. Mutual Aid Emergency Services       | 13. Mullica Township                           |
| 2. Weymouth Township                   | 14. Egg Harbor Township                        |
| 3. Longport                            | 15. Don Stauffer                               |
| 4. Firefighters Museum of South Jersey | 16. Absecon                                    |
| 5. Buena Borough                       | 17. Hammonton                                  |
| 6. Egg Harbor City                     | 18. Northfield                                 |
| 7. Township of Hamilton Fire Assn.     | 19. Atlantic City International Airport        |
| 8. Buena Vista Township                | 20. Hamilton Township                          |
| 9. Estell Manor                        | 21. Linwood                                    |
| 10. Somers Point                       | 22. F2500 Atlantic County Mobile Communication |
| 11. Galloway Township                  |  |

All companies are reminded that t 10 X 12 card must be displayed with year, pump size, category, County name, etc. to be judged. NO Card, No. Number, No Prize

Howard Berchtold Jr. reported on the forthcoming 4-H Fair to be held on August 8-9-10 and those companies desiring to display apparatus, etc. should contact him.

Howard also reported that at the July meeting of the Executive Committee, they will review budgets for 1st half of year and give a midyear report.

Ron Bird Jr. reported that the Library will be opened on Tuesday Evenings and requested that anyone having books, videos, etc. that they wish to donate to the library to contact him. Ron also requested that Tuesday evenings be scheduled for library with County.

#### DATE CLEARING

Sunday	June 30	Belcville	Chicken-Bar-Be-Que	
Sunday	July 7	Somers Point #1	Sports Card Show	10 AM to 4:30 PM
Sunday	July 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Fri & Sat	July 19/20	Minotola	Sub Sale	
Saturday	July 20	Estell Manor	Flea Market & Sub Sale	10 AM to 2 PM
Thursday	July 25	Absecon	Atl. Co. Firemen's Death Benefit Trustees Meeting	8 PM
Sunday	Aug. 4	Somers Point #1	Sports Card Show	10 AM to 4:30 PM
Sunday	Aug. 11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Aug. 17	Estell Manor	Country Style Bar-Be-Que	12 noon to 6 PM
Tuesday	Aug. 20	Egg Harbor City	1996 Atlantic County Caucus for Convention	8 PM
Saturday	Sept 7	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 13/14	Wildwood	1996 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept 14	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Sunday	Sept 15	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct. 5	Somers Point #1	Triple Housing	
Saturday	Oct. 5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

The recruitment signs have been received and the County is to provide posts and install them where requested.

Frank Pratzner reported that there is to be a meeting of the Trustees of the Atlantic County Firemen's Death Benefit Fund on Thursday, July 25th in Absecon at 8 PM.

Mike Corbo reported that the Spring sessions of fire training have concluded and they are working on get the certificates typed up and out to trainees. Mike reported that the schedules for the fall fire training are being made up and will be sent out shortly. Will announce dates shortly for recertification of present Safety and Training Officers as well as dates to certify new Safety and Training officers.

The Board of Directors reported on their June 11th meeting and that possibly the parking lot will be enlarged with cost to be borne by the Motorcycle training group. Are still waiting for approvals from Pinelands for the confined space project. Committee has reviewed the draft of L.P. SOP's and they will be finalized shortly. Are trying to have the compressed air system upgraded into a full cascade system and cost will be between \$4000 to \$6000. It was also brought up that there is a new for a area outside for training, critiques, etc. A shed is to be put outback by the Arson & Fire Association for storage of their gear.

Plans are in the works to upgrade qualified company training officers to be the company's duty instructor for training at the center. Chiefs to name whoever they wish and as many as desired. Details later. However, an Academy DI will be required for LP pad training. All are reminded that they are to schedule training with Ruth at the front desk at the Fire Training Center.

John V. Wagner reported on several Legislative bills that are proposed. John also reported that he is to start on compiling an inventory list of the Associations equipment. Motion seconded and carried to purchase inventory number stickers.

Motion seconded and carried to forward a letter to the Fox Network voicing our objections with their LA firefighter program.

The President reported that the Blairstown Fire Co. in Warren County has donated a 1968 Hahn on Ford Chasis fire truck to the Fire Training Center. Committee is working on sending them appropriate thanks as token of our appreciation.

Ed also reported on the dedication ceremony at the Fire and Police Memorial Plaza that was held on Wednesday, May 22nd and it was well attended. Are looking into having a firefighters day with appropriate ceremony later on during year, hopefully on a Saturday where more may attend. Details later.

Ed also asked for ideas in regard to programs the membership would like to have at meetings. Howard Guenther reported that effective July 1, 1996, the death benefit of the New Jersey State Firemen's Assn. is to be increased an additional \$300 to make the benefit \$5,500.00 for eligible members with 7 years and pro-rated for those serving with less than 7 years. The death benefit will be \$11,000.00 for those whose death occurs in line of duty also to be effective July 1st, 1996

Howard also reported that the Atlantic County Caucus is to be held on Tuesday, August 20 at 8 PM in Egg Harbor City for Chiefs, Delegates, Alternates, and Life Members. Any firefighter who so desires may also attend. The 1996 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention is to be held on Friday and Saturday, September 13th and 14th in Wildwood.

Correspondence was received that Harold Swartz has been appointed to the position as Emergency Management Fire Coordinator for Atlantic County.

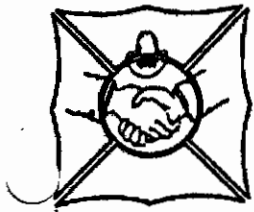
Oscar Dutch reported on probems encountered by the Forest Fire Service when utilizing the service of firefighters when they are wearing their full turnout gear.

The following 4 members from Collings Lakes were approved for membership in the Association:  
William Collins, Thomas J. Orr, Frank S. Russo, Norman E. Wethman

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with next meeting to be held on Wednesday, July 17th at 8 PM at the Linwood fire station.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Linwood July 17, 1996

A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:05 p.m. on July 17, 1996 with President Ed Vincent presiding.

- The meeting was opened with the flag salute.
- Chief Doughty welcomed the membership to Linwood.
- The rolls were read to record attendance and ensure the presence of a quorum.
- Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.
- The report of the Treasurer was approved.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Copies of the letters sent to the Blairstown Fire Department and the municipality, thanking them for donation of the pumper, were read.

An invitation to an 80th birthday party for Charles Sander of Oceanville on August 18 was read. Copies have been sent to all departments by the Oceanville Fire Department.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

*Executive Committee:* Minutes of the July 12 1996 meeting were presented. Items in need of attention were held over to new business.

*Board of Directors:* Minutes of the July 9, 1996 meeting were read. Next meeting is scheduled for August 13.

*Firemen's Home:* Bill Hurd reported that there are currently 32 residential and 69 long-term residents at the home. Reported on changes to the application process; the required years of service has been reduced from five years to one year. An application from Atlantic County is currently being processed. Bill also noted that fees for the home are \$650 a month plus medication costs. Local Relief Associations may not pay the \$650 but may assist in medication costs, etc. Bill was thanked for his report and his continued efforts.

*4-H Fair:* Fair scheduled for August 8, 9 and 10. Education and prevention display to be on site, together with various pieces of apparatus.

**Library:** Ron Byrd exported on various materials at the library and requested additional contributions of quality items. Ron was thanked for his initiative in getting the library moving again.

**Photographers:** Whitey Schwartz and Dennis Sharpe have been working on taking various photos of training evolutions. These will be used for classroom sessions as well as public relations.

**Recruitment:** Dennis Sharpe advised that the signs from the state are in. Companies who ordered signs must contact the county through Whitey Schwartz to advise where they desire the signs to be located.

**Radio Policy/Central Dispatch:** Little movement. It was noted that both Egg Harbor Township and Galloway Township are going full speed ahead with their 800 MHZ system plans.

**Forest Fire Liaison:** Oscar Dutch reported all quiet.

**Ways and Means:** Tom Hunter reported that shirts, etc., are still available.

**Training:** Mike Corbo, Director of Training, advised that Firefighter I to begin on Monday, August 26. The 120-hour class will be presented on Monday and Wednesday nights with the live burn scheduled for the end of November. Other classes to commence in mid-September.

Training and Safety Officer Orientation to be presented August 29. It will be offered three nights and two weekends. Letters to be sent.

Classes are also being scheduled for Company Duty Officers (those designated by Company Chiefs to oversee training evolutions at the center in lieu of county instructors for all evolutions with the exception of LP training).

Mike reported that 360 students went through spring semester.

**Inventory Committee:** Work has begun with items being labeled appropriately.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Atlantic County Caucus scheduled for August 20 in Egg Harbor City.

Donated pumper has been insured by the county. It will remain on the training ground site for use by county instructors.

Frank Sutton and Chip Stockton completed the work needed on the LP car evolution.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Recommendations of the Executive Committee were approved with the necessary notions. They were as follows:

- Association to host an open house at the training center each evening during Fire Prevention Week.
- Association to join forces with the Fire Prevention Association presenting a Fire Expo at Shore Mall on October 12. We will coordinate apparatus display.
- A stipend of \$500 per quarter, retroactive to January 1, 1996, to be paid to Mike Corbo for his services as Director of Training. It should be noted that this recommendation came after extensive analysis of the financial condition of the training committee.

**BILLS:**

Motion made and carried to approve all bills for payment out of the proper funds.

**DATE CLEARING:**

Saturday	Aug. 17	Estell Manor	Country Style BBQ	12:00 Noon to 6:00 p.m.
Sunday	Aug. 18	Lake Lenape	80th Birthday Charles Sander	
Tuesday	Aug. 20	Egg Harbor City	Country Caucus	8:00 p.m.
Saturday	Sept. 7	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday Saturday	Sept. 13 Sept. 14	Wildwood	Convention & Parade - 1996	
Sunday	Sept. 15	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7:00 a.m. to 12 Noon
Saturday	Oct. 5	Somers Point #1	Triple Housing	
Saturday	Oct. 5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday	Oct. 19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Letters of appreciation to be sent to Flemings and Act II for providing cars for training.

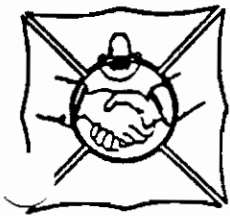
Instructor Clayton donated \$700 from his training salary to the association for the purchase of High Angle Rescue Equipment. Instructor Clayton given a standing ovation.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. with the next meeting scheduled for August 21 at the Weymouth Fire Station.

Attested  
H. Berchtold, Jr., Acting Secretary

Chiefs, Delegates, Alternates, and Life Members are reminded of the Tuesday, August 20th Atlantic County Caucus for the 1996 Annual Firemen's Convention to be held in Egg Harbor City at 8 PM. Any firefighter who wishes to attend may do so.





# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Weymouth (Hamilton Township)

August 21, 1996

A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, August 21, 1996 with President Ed Vincent presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the reading of the rolls to ensure a quorum being present and to record attendance.

The membership was welcomed to Weymouth by Chief John Carrigan. The Chief and the members of Weymouth were congratulated on their new fire station and hall.

Minutes of the previous meeting of July 17, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

Correspondence consisted of the receipt of the contract from the County for the operation of the Communications and Training Programs. Also received was notification from County Executive Richard Squires that the Fire Training Center is strictly for Public Safety Training - Fire, Police, Emergency Medical Services, and Emergency Management - and not for any correctional type activities as erroneously reported in the Press.

The Training Center Board of Directors reported that Pinelands approval has been received for the Confined Spaces project and that plans are to be submitted to Egg Harbor Township for their approval. They requested a site plan from the County so they could have an idea in regard to long range planning. The deep sink that was installed in the engine room is to be used only for cleaning of SCBA masks only and is to have a cover put over it so it can't be used otherwise. The S.O.P.'s for the LP Pad have been finalized and will be submitted to the Board of Directors for their approval. Are trying to have the air compressor upgraded into a cascade system, however this will have to be put into the County's Capital Improvement Budget. Are also working on having Port-a-Potties installed in the outside training area. The wooded area is to be cleaned out and become a picnic area.

Will once again contact the Utilities, etc. in regard to having them donate equipment for the confined spaces training.

Long range plans are being looked into for construction of an amphitheater, open air classroom, in the outside training area. B.O.D next meeting is Tuesday, September 10th. The Training Center S.O.P.'s are being revised as well as the Safety and Training Officer S.O.P.'s and once this is completed, the recertification program will begin.

Mike Corbo reported that the Firefighter I classes are to begin on Monday, August 26th with other courses to begin shortly thereafter. Course outline booklets have been forwarded to all Chiefs. Also will present Advanced Fire Tactics on September 28th and again on November 10th.

Ron Bird reported that the Training Center Library is open on Tuesday evenings 7 to 9 PM and also requested donation of books, etc. for the library.

## DATE CLEARING

Saturday	Sept 7	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 13&14	Wildwood	1996 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept 14	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Sunday	Sept 15	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct. 5	Somers Point #1	Triple Housing	
Saturday	Oct. 5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 12	Shore Mall	Fire Prevention Expo	
Sunday	Oct. 13	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct. 19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	Nov. 10	Somers Point#2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Dec. 8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon

The 4-H Fair Committee commended on the fine job they did at the Fair. Thanks were also extended to those companies who displayed their equipment and thanks to all who helped and participated in any way.

The Volunteer Recruitment signs are in and those companies who ordered them should contact the county, thru Whitey Swartz, to let them know where the signs are to be put up.

Ed Vincent reported that the title to the firetruck that was donated by Blairstown has been turned over to the County and is now licensed

Congratulations were extended to Milmay upon the housing of their new apparatus.

Chief Tony Canale reported that Egg Harbor Township is to have a 5 company drill at the Fire Training Center on Sunday, October 20th from 7 AM to 12 noon and that anyone who wishes may participate along with them. Call him for details.

To look into providing fire interface training to the polic in service training classes.

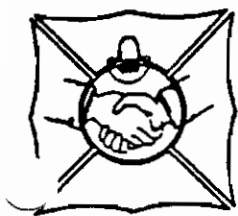
To review attendance rolls of meetings and visit different companies to promote the Associatiln and get better involvement in all aspects.

Want names of those 80 years and older who are in the fire service to have them participate in the Wildwood parade on September 14th.

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with next meeting to be held at 8 PM on Wednesday, September 18th in Hammonton at Station No. 1 (in town).

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Hammonton Co. No. 2

September 18, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, September 18, 1996 with President Ed Vincent presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the reading of the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present.

The membership was welcomed to Hammonton by Chief Jack Donio.

The membership of Company No. 2 was commended and congratulated on the purchase of their new fire apparatus, the renovations to the firehouse and hall and also on the celebration of their 100th anniversary.

Minutes of the previous meeting of August 21, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of September 6th were approved and accepted as read with several items to be taken up under new business.

A recap was given of the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting that was held on September 10th. They are to have a special meeting on Monday, September 23rd and a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 15th.

There is to be open house during Fire Prevention week with the Fire Training being open Monday thru Friday, October 7 thru 11 from 7 to 9 PM. Those companies desiring to display apparatus, etc. should contact President Ed Vincent or Fire Marshal Swartz.

Correspondence consisted of an invitation from Egg Harbor Township to attend their Department drill which is to be held on Sunday, October 20th. Any company or firefighter wishing to participate with them at the drill should contact Chief Canale.

Fire Marshal Swartz reported that the Volunteer Recruitment signs are in and those that ordered them should clear with their local traffic safety officer as to placement and locations.

Harold also reported that the Mutual Aid Books are to be updated and that any company that has any changes to forward them to him for insertion and correction in the books. He also reported that there was some vandalism to the outside facilities at the fire training center and the County is in the process of repairing them.

Mike Corbo reported on the fire training classes that are being conducted this fall. The SOP's are being revised and when completed will hold training to recertify the Safety and Training Officers as well as certifying new ones. Also working toward upgrading the company training officers as organization duty officers for when their fire company conducts training at the Fire Training Center to eliminate the need for Academy instructors to be present except for LP pad training.

Ron Bird reported that the Library is to be open on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

John V. Wagner gave a report on legislation that has been passed and also on proposed bills.

John also reported that they were working to compile an inventory of equipment owned by the Firefighters Association.

## DATE CLEARING

Saturday	Oct.	5	Somers Point #1	Triple Housing and Parade	
Saturday	Oct.	5	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Monday thru Friday		Oct 7-11	Fire Training Center	Fire Prevention Open House	7 to 9 PM
Saturday	Oct.	12	Shore Mall	Fire Prevention Expo	
Sunday	Oct.	13	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct.	19	Estell Manor	Craft Show	
Saturday	Oct.	19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	Nov.	3	Hammonton #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Nov.	10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Dec.	8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon

Thanks were extended to all companies who participated in the Wildwood parade and they were commended for their appearance. Winners from Atlantic County who were recipients of trophies at the September 14th Wildwood Parade were

Best appearing Atlantic County Apparatus	East Vineland
Best appearing Atlantic County Company/Department	Somers Point
Best appearing Atlantic County Aerial	Absecon
Winners of State Trophies	

Absecon  
Nesco  
Pomona  
Somers Point  
Absegami High School Band  
Oakcrest High School Band  
Egg Harbor Township Boy Scout Troop

The membership was reminded of the upcoming drill at NAFEC on Saturday Oct. 26th. Tom Hunter reported that he has reordered T-shirts, etc. to fill the inventory available. Oscar Dutch reported that he has obtained the firefighting interface procedures of Ocean and Cape May County for fire companies and the forest fire service and will present them to the Fire Chiefs Association.

Forest Fire Service members who went out west to Idaho and Oregon reported on the fire assistance provided to the states as well as on their experiences.

Several items and recommendations from the Executive Committee were discussed and voted upon:

Motion seconded and carried to approve the budget of the Communications program for 1996.  
Motion seconded and carried to approve the budget of the Training program for the second half of 1996.

Motion seconded and carried to approve the purchase of tools for the training program and cost not to exceed \$500.00

Motion seconded and carried to approve the purchase of 10 sets of turnout gear for the training instructors with the cost not to exceed \$1000.00 per set.

The Executive Committee is to review the purchases and ascertain where the money for payment is to be obtained.

A discussion was held on the Minotola Ambulance to get off of the fire radio band and get on the EMS band as they are not affiliated with the fire service.

Ted Reinhard displayed different nozzles and equipment that was donated by Akron Brass and he is presently working on other suppliers for donation of additional items of firefighting equipment.

Motion seconded and carried to authorize the purchase of a plaque to be presented as a token of our thanks.

Ted estimated that we have received donation of fire fighting equipment of approximately \$55,000.00 Thank was thanked for his efforts in getting the equipment.

The program for the Evening was presented by Chief Thomas Culleny of the Galloway Township fire department and he explained the switchover of Galloway Township to the 800 MHz system which is to be in service on December 16th. He explained the workings of the equipment and new system and how it will interface with the other systems in the County and also on mutual aid. Cost is approximately \$1,000,000.00 and includes police, fire, public works, etc.

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with next meeting to be held at 8 PM on Wednesday, October 16th at the Sweetwater fire house.

First nomination of officers for 1996 will be held at the October meeting.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Sweetwater (Mullica Township) October 16, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, October 16, 1996 with President Ed Vincnet presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation by the Association Chaplain, Thomas Sweeny.

The membership was welcomed to Sweetwater and Mullica Township by Chief William Fair. The Secretary read the roll to record attendance and to ensure a quorum being present. Minutes of the previous meeting of September 18, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

The Board of Directors of the Fire Training Academy reported on their meeting of October 15th and they meet with Anthony Cappuccio of the County on desired items they desire to have included in the budget for next year and are to priortize and submit for approval. Will apply to Egg Harbor Towship shortly for permits for confined space project. Will outfit the fire truck shortly when several items are taken care of and it is ready for service.

Discussed open house for fire prevention at the training center and possibly next year will only have open house on one evening, maybe Monday, will decide later.

Mike Corbo reported on training classes underway.

Mike also reported that the training center have been rewritten and will be distributed to all companies shortly.

Mike reported that recertification for safety and training officers will be held soon, maybe January, and companies may use facilities with their organizational duty officer and only requirement will be that an Academy Instructors are required for LP training. Mike reported that \$500.00 has been allocated for tools and that he priced out needed tools at \$1037.00

Motion was made, seconded to increase this amount to \$1037.00 for tools and the motion was defeated. Further discussion, if any, to be referred to Executive Committee.

Fire Marshal Swartz reminded the membership of the FAA drill on Saturday, October 26th.

Tom Hunter reported that he has restocked and now has shirts availalbe for resale.

Ron Bird reported that the Library is to be open on Monday evenings from 7 to 10 PM.

Ron also reported that the inventory of Association equipment is ongoing.

Chaplain Sweeny reported that any firefighter who doesn't have a uniform and desired to be buried in one with have one provided if someone makes application for it to him.

Howard Guenther reported that the New Jersey Firemen's Home is to celebrate their 100th anniversary on Saturday, June 6, 1998 with a gala parade in Boonton, site of the home. The line of march in the parade is to be by Counties and Atlantic County is to be the 7th County in the order of march. Each fire comapny participating in the parade will be limited to one truck. Applications to be sent out shortly.

Howard also requested that companies forward names of their deceased members shortly so that they may be included in the program for the Memorial Services at the January 15, 1997 meeting.

## DATE CLEARING

Sunday	Nov. 3	Hammonton #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Nov. 9	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	Nov. 10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Nov. 24	Bargaintown	Spaghetti Dinner	1 to 6 PM
Sunday	Dec. 8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
	Dec.	Somers Point #1	Sport Card Show	

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Dennis Sharpe reported that the Recruitment signs are in and those who ordered them should contact Whitey so they may pick them up. Dennis also advised that before having them put up, that the local police highway safety officer be contacted for proper placement of the signs.

The President remarked that the issue of the Minotola ambulance being on the fire band is being held in abeyance as Chiefs' Association has no feelings about this one way or the other.

Ed also reported that there was no money allotted by the County for the confined space project as originally reported. Are to price out list of materials for project and some may be found in the County yards in their stockpiles. Will receive help in the construction of this training aid from firefighters in the trades and hopefully obtain a waiver of fees.

Ted Reinhard displayed several more items of fire fighting equipment that he was able to obtain as donations from the suppliers and is presently working to get some hose as well as other needed equipment.

Oscar Dutch reported on the Forest Fire Service interface as well as 5 inch large diameter hose drill and tanker task force drill. He also explained the tanker task force procedures and if anyone would like to be part of these teams to make their wishes known. There is a need for participants in the western part of the County.

First nomination of Officers for 1997 was called for and the following were nominated

President	Ed Vincent	Executive Committee (9 members)
1st Vice President	Thomas Hunter Jr.	Howard Berchtold Jr.
2nd Vice President	Dennis Sharpe	Ron Bird Jr.
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	George Scarlett	James Garth Sr.
		Charles Guenther
		Ted Reinhard
		Frank Sutton
		John V. Wagner

Second nominations to be called for at the November 20th meeting and elections to be held at the December 18th meeting.

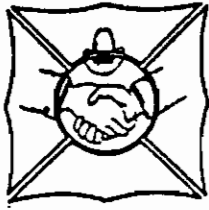
The Fire Prevention Association stated that they plan to hold their Fire Expo and displays on the Saturday of Fire Prevention week, (last day).

Jack Bruner reported that the aluminum bottles with the flat bottoms for SCBA of the 1988-89-90 vintage have had several failures and will get more information on this and make available to the membership.

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting to be held at 8 PM on Wednesday, November 20th at the Somers Point Fire Company No. 1 fire station on Bethel Road.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Somers Point Co. No. 1

November 20, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was held on Wednesday, November 20, 1996 with President Edward Vincent presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by the reading of the rolls to ensure a quorum being present and to record attendance.

The Association was welcomed to Somers Point by Richard Rest, Chief of Company No. 1 and by Frank Denan, the Chief of the Department.

Minutes of the previous meeting of October 26, 1996 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on Friday, November 1, 1996 were approved and accepted as read. They are looking into the insurance coverage that is carried by the Association and will research what is really needed and if any is duplicate. Also are looking into only having one night during Fire Prevention week for open house at the Fire Training Center, possibly on Monday of that week. They are also checking into the payroll for the Fire Training Academy instructors.

The Executive Committee recommended that an additional \$587.00 be allocated toward the purchase of tools for the Academy and a motion was made, seconded and carried to approve this expenditure. This \$587.00 is in addition to the \$500.00 that was approved in October. The Committee reported that the money in the Training Capital Expenditures Account is tied up in CD's and recommended a loan from the General Account to this account and a motion was made, seconded and carried to make this loan. When the CD's expire, the money that is to be loaned will then be repaid to the General Account.

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors for the Fire Training Center held on November 12th were approved and accepted as read.

The plans and paper work for the confined spaces project will be forwarded to Egg Harbor Township for their approval shortly.

The county government is presently in the process of adopting user fees for the Fire Training Center and these are to be charged to outside users, not emergency services of the County, and also charge to private enterprises.

Mike Corbo reported that just about all classes for the Fall Semester have been completed and he is presently setting up dates for the Spring sessions.

Dates have been set for recertification of existing Training and Safety Officers, Initial Certification of new Training and Safety Officers as well as for Organizational Duty Instructors and the training sessions will be held in January 1997 and applications and forms have been forwarded to all companies. The Board of Directors recommend that each company have a minimum of 2 Organizational Duty instructors. They will conduct training of their individual companies and a Training Academy Instructor will not be needed except for L. P. pad training.

Firefighter I to start in late February and Firefighter II to start in March.

Looking into having a Rope Rescue Class and also a Seminar by New Jersey Transit.

## DATE CLEARING

Sunday	Dec. 8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Dec. 14	Scullville Sta. 1	Spaghetti Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	Jan. 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Thursday	Jan. 23	Absecon	Firemen's Death Benefit Fund Trustees Meeting	8 PM
Saturday	May 3	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	May 11	Hammonton #2	Mothers' Day Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Aug. 19	Egg Harbor City	Atl. Co. Caucus for 1997 Firemen's Convention	8 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 12 & 13	Wildwood	1997 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Oct. 4	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM

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Fire Marshal Harold Swartz reported that the Mutual Aid books are to be updated and requests have been forwarded to all companies to review and update as necessary and return shortly. Updates have been made for Tanker Task Force and Large Diameter Hose Group and will be forwarded to all companies. All who have ordered the Volunteer Recruitment signs are requested to pick them at the Fire Training Center. (last request) T-shirts and sweat shirts are available at the Fire Training Center thru the Instructors. Ron Bird reported that the Library is now open on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 10 PM. If additional persons desire to assist manning the library, it then will be able to be open on weekends as well as more evenings. Will inventory the books, etc in the library and look into whether insurance coverage is needed. Additional book cases and cabinets are needed for the library and will come up with list.

Howard Guenther further reported on the 100th anniversary planned for June 8, 1998 at the firemen's home and that a memorial is to be erected and dedicated and they are requesting a donation of \$1000.00 from each County. They are also to have an Ad Book associated with the affair. These are to be discussed at the Executive Committee meeting in Jan.

1997 is fast approaching and the memorial services at the January 15th, 1997. Howard Guenther requested all companies to forward names of their deceased firefighters so that they may properly be recognized during the ceremony. Forward to Box 81, Pomona, NJ 08240 or call 652-7712 with the names.

It will be soon time to make up the schedule of Meetings and Chiefs and those companies with new Chiefs should notify the Secretary so that they can be added to the schedule. Companies will also be contacted shortly to see if they will hold meetings during the coming year. Dues for 1997 will be due shortly. Records indicate that the following have not paid their 1996 dues BVT District #3, Milmay, Hammonton Cos. No. 1 and No. 2, and Pleasantville.

The Secretary reported that he has forwarded the Financial Reports for the first 3 quarters of 1996 to the County as required per the contract as well as forwarded vouchers for payment for the 3rd Quarter for the Training and Communications programs.

A letter was read that the Mutual Aid Emergency Services forwarded to the Governor requesting her consideration in signing bill A-1554, the Cardiac Defibrillation Bill. A letter was received from Frank Sutton in that as he has been elected to the Egg Harbor Township Committee, he did not feel that he could properly fulfill the duties of Executive Committee for the Firefighters' Association and he declined the nomination.

Second Nomination of Officers for 1997 was called for and the following were nominated

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Elections to be held at the next meeting of December 18th in Scullville.

The only position being open for election is for Executive Committee and ballots will be available for voting on the Board members.

As the next meeting of December 18th is the Christmas meeting, members are requested to bring a gift, approximately \$10 value, to be exchanged by the membership at the meeting.

Dennis Sharpe was appointed as Chairman for the 75th anniversary of the Firefighters' Association which is to take place in 1998. Help is needed and if you wish to assist, contact the President for his appointment to this committee.

The Secretary was instructed to formulate plans for the Association dinner in early 1997.

The president appointed Scott Feldman and James Garth to evaluate nad hopefully come up with a solution in regard to the Minotola ambulance being on the fire band.

The inventory of the Association's equipment is ongoing.

Barry Bruner reported that First Alert is sponsoring a poster contest and they are due to the County by February 11th for judging.

The Photographers of the Association reported that they have been active taking pictures at several fire scenes as well as at the Fire Training Center taking pictures of classes and training. They are available to any company who requests their services.

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

The program for the evening was on the Tanker Task Force.

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting of the Firefighters' Association to be held on Wednesday, December 18th at 8:00 PM at the Scullville firehouse.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Scullville (Egg Harbor Township)

December 18, 1996

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was held on Wednesday, December 18, 1996 with President Ed Vincent presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute. followed by Invocation by Tom Sweeny, Chaplain of the Association. Roll call was taken to record attendance and to ensure a quorum being present.

The membership was welcomed to Scullville by Chief Wally Shields and to Egg Harbor Township by the Township Chief, Tony Canale.

Minutes of the previous meeting of November 20, 1996 were approved as forwarded to the Secretaries and Chiefs.

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

A brief report was given on the December 10th meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Training Center. An application for a construction permit was forwarded to Egg Harbor Township for the confined space simulator as well as requesting consideration for waiver of fees.

The Executive Committee reported progress with several ongoing projects.

Bill Hurd gave a report on the NJ Firemen's Home and the 100th Anniversary celebration planned for June 6, 1998 and Atlantic County is to be in 7th place in the parade. They are planning on constructing a memorial at the Home and are requesting \$1000.00 donation from each County. They are also to have an Ad Book available. There are presently 80 guests in the Home.

John V. Wagner reported on several arson bills that are in the Legislature.

Ronald Bird reported that the Library is now opened on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Additional librarians are needed to man the library and then it may be opened additional evenings and maybe weekends. More cabinets and bookcases are needed in library for books, displays, etc.

Dennis Sharpe reported on the Volunteer Recruitment program and that videos and brochures are available for a nominal fee. There are still some recruitment signs that must be picked up by several companies.

Tom Hunter reported that T-shirts and sweatshirts are available thru himself or the instructors at the Fire Training Center.

Fire Marshal Harold Swartz requested that all companies return their updates on the Mutual Aid book as soon as possible ASAP.

The Secretary reminded the membership of the Memorial Services to be held at the next meeting of January 15, 1997 in Egg Harbor City. Firefighters are requested to be in full dress uniforms at the services (hats also). Companies having firefighters to be included in the services should forward the names to the Secretary ASAP so they may be included in the memorial. Forward names to P.O. Box 81, Pomona NJ 08240 or 652-7712.

All companies are requested to complete and return their Chief and Delegate, Secretary listing promptly so mailing lists may be updated as well as updating names of Chiefs on the meeting schedules.

#### DATE CLEARING

Sunday	Jan.	12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Thursday	Jan.	23	Absecon	Firemen's Death Benefit Fund Trustees Mtg.	8 PM
Sunday	Feb.	9	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	March	9	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	March	15	Weekstown	Spaghetti Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	May	3	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	May	11	Hammonton #2	Mothers' Day Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
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The Training Committee reported that they have purchased the tools for their use. Dates have been set for initial and recertification of Safety and Training Officers as well as training of Organizational Duty Officers and will be in January 1997. Firefighter I will be held on Tuesday and Thursday starting in February and Firefighter II will be held on Monday and Wednesday starting in March. Booklets on all courses that are to be given will be sent out shortly.

NJ Transit has been contacted in regard to holding a seminar and dates will be announced shortly.

Several SCBA paks were received several years ago for evaluation and somehow the paperwork fell thru the cracks and the committee is to take care of paperwork, etc. Ted Reinhard reported that he has forwarded card of thanks to manufacturers who have donated equipment and has received seasons greeting in return. A plaque is to be sent to Dick Mills of Akron Brass for his contribution.

The Atlantic County Fire and Arson Investigation Association is to hold a 80 hour fire investigation seminar starting on February 4th. Forms have been sent to all companies. For further information on this training, contact John Lees Monday to Friday 8 AM to 4 PM at 641-2832, ext 155

The Secretary reported that the 3rd quarter appropriation for the Training and Communications programs have been received from the County. Copy of letter sent to the Minotola Rescue Squad in regard to operating on the Fire Band was read.

The date for the dinner of the Firefighters' Association has been set for Saturday, March 1st at Caesar's Restaurant in Mays Landing. There is to be a meeting of the Trustees of the Atlantic County Firemen's Death Benefit Fund on Thursday, January 23 at 8 PM in Absecon. All companies having members in the Death Benefit Fund are requested to have a representative present.

Clarence Guenther and George Scarlett were appointed as Tellers and distributed ballots for election of the Executive Committee.

Motion was made, seconded and carried for the Secretary to cast a ballot for those offices that are uncontested. Results of the election is as follows:

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A discussion was held on several incidents when the appropriate County Departments were slow in responding or did not respond at all.

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association scheduled for 8 P.M. on Wednesday, January 15th, 1997 in Egg Harbor City.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary

The Officers wish to extend to each of you and your families a very happy, joyous, and healthy New Year.