



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Egg Harbor City

January 20, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 20, 1999 with President Ed Vincent presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation by Howard H. Berchtold Jr.

The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present. Chief Robert Ade of the Egg Harbor City Fire Department welcomed the membership and invited guests to the City. Chief Ade introduced the Line Officers of the Fire Department. Chief Ade also introduced Mayor James McGeary who also extended a warm welcome to all in attendance.

President Ed Vincent welcomed and introduced guests Assemblyman Ken LeFevre, Assemblyman Frank Blee, Atlantic County Executive Richard Squires, Atlantic County Freeholders James A. Carney, James Curcio, Kirk W. Conover, Dennis Levinson, and Joseph Silipena, Director of Public Safety Frank Mazzone, Director of Emergency Management Vince Jones, and the Mayor of Egg Harbor City James McGeary.

Assemblymen LeFevre and Blee, Executive Squires, Freeholders Levinson Silipena and Mayor McGeary all addressed the membership.

Freeholder Joseph Silipena thanks all of the companies and firefighters who helped in any way at the recent fire at his place of business.

The Annual Memorial Services were conducted by Howard Berchtold in honor and memory of the firefighters of Atlantic County who answered their last alarm during the past year. The Memorial Candles were lit by Thomas Hunter and Lou Raciti, with the bell being tolled by Clarence Guenther, as the Secretary Howard Guenther read the rolls.

Members of the "Final Roll" were

Ralph Miller	Absecon	Peter Visconti	Landisville
Samuel Van Sant	Absecon	Richard W. Bowen	Linwood
Leslie Allen	Atlantic City	Henry L. Jones	Linwood
Wilbert Connelly	Atlantic City	Charles Donoflio	Mays Landing
William Ferguson	Atlantic City	Lawrence May	Mays Landing
Joseph Gallagher	Atlantic City	William Sauerwald	Mays Landing
Edward La Musta	Atlantic City	Robert J. Brady	Pleasantville
Leon Sapp	Atlantic City	Harry Haldeman Jr.	Pleasantville
Thomas Scanlon Sr.	Atlantic City	Claude E. Larned	Pleasantville
Henry Steen	Atlantic City	Edward Gene Stetser	Pleasantville/Port Republic
Salvatore Branca	Bargaintown	John A. Caviller	Port Republic
Albert Seelman	Dorothy	Donald Filling	Pomona
Michael Debbi	East Vineland	Robert Guenther Sr	Pomona
George Gries	Egg Harbor City	George W. Smyth Jr	Pomona
Mark Del Corio Sr.	Estell Manor	Frank Dougherty	Somers Point
Fred W. Mitchell	Estell Manor	William B Vieth	Somers Point
Elmer Kienzle	Germania	Joseph Sartorio	South Egg Harbor
Salvator Tedesco	Landisville	Walter Smith	West Atlantic City

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

"Taps" was played by Joseph Ward of the Atlantic City Fire Department.

"Amazing Grace" was played by bag pipers James Dunbar and Norman Wilson of the Cape-Atlantic Police and Firemen's Irish Pipe Brigade.

#### DATE CLEARING

Sunday	Feb. 21	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	March 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	March 21	Port Republic	John A Cavileer Turkey Shoot Benefit	noon 652-4081
Sunday	April 11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	April 17	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 P.M.
Saturday	May 1	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 P.M.

## DATE CLEARING((continued)

Sunday	May	9	Hammonton #2	Mothers' Day Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	May	15	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May	16	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	May	23	Fire Training Ctr	Firefighters' Field Day	
Saturday	June	5	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	1 to 7 PM
Sunday	June	6	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	12 noon to 6 PM
Tuesday	Aug.	17	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co.Caucus for 1999 Firemens Convention	8PM
Saturday	Aug.	21	Laureldale	Pig Roast	12 noon til
Fri&Sat	Sept	17 & 18	Wildwood	1999 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept	18	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Oct.	2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct.	9	Fire Training Ctr	Fire Prevention Expo - Demos - etc.	
Saturday	Oct.	16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

Atlantic County Executive Richard Squires installed the following into office for 1999

President	Ed Vincent	Executive Committee (9 members)
1st Vice President	Thomas Hunter Jr.	Howard Berchtold Jr.
2nd Vice President	Dennis Sharpe	Ronald Bird Jr.
Secretary	Howard R. Guenther	Tony Canale
Treasurer	Lou Raciti	Oscar Dutch
Chaplain	Thomas Sweeny	James Garth
Sergeants-at-Arms (3)	Howard Bowen	Charles Guenther
	Clarence Guenther	Skip Portale
	Charles Sander	Ted Reinhard
		John V. Wagner

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 the next meeting of the Firefighters' Association to be held on Wednesday, February 17, 1999 at 8:00 P.M. at the Longport fire house.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Longport

February 17, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, February 17, 1999 with President Ed Vincent presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation by Tom Sweeny, the Chaplain of the Firefighters' Association.

The membership was welcomed to Longport by Assistant Chief Levon Clayton. Lefty introduced Mayor Bill Fiore and Commissioner of Public Safety Ellen Cohen who also extended their welcome and reported that the Fire Department is to receive delivery of the new ladder truck in a few days. All three expressed their thanks for the Mutual Aid rendered during the fire in November at the beach.

The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and to ensure a quorum being present. Minutes of the previous meeting of January 20, 1999 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

The Auditing committee reported that they have finished the financial audit of the books of the Association and found all records to be in order and well kept and made a few recommendations for consideration which were turned over to the Executive Committee.

The minutes of the January 8, 1999 meeting of the Executive Committee were read and approved with several recommendations held over for new business.

An update was given on activities at the center and the January 11, 1999 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Training Center.

Director of Training Mike Corbo reported that the 1999 spring sessions have begun and that there are 52 attendees in Firefighter I.

Mike reported that Live Burns will start on Wednesday March 3rd and will continue to be held on the first (1st) Wednesday of each month.

The equipment that was ordered for confined space training has been received.

QTO, QSO, ODI training will be given again with dates to be announced. This certification must be renewed for fire companies to train at the center.

Incident Command I-100 and I-200 will be scheduled as courses at the fire training center as well as given as an outreach program at firehouses.

The gate at the center is to be closed and locked when leaving the center.

A Demo on Foam Operations will be held at the training center on Sunday, March 7th.

## DATE CLEARING

Saturday	March	6	South Egg Harbor	Craft Show	9 AM to 3 PM
Sunday	March	7	Bargaintown	Spaghetti Dinner	1 to 6 PM
Sunday	March	14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	March	21	Port Republic	John Cavileer Turkey Shoot Benefit	652-4081
Sunday	April	11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	April	17	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Thursday	April	22	Absecon	Atl. Co. Firemen's Death Benefit Trustees Mtg	8 PM
Saturday	May	1	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	May	9	Hammonton #2	Mothers' Day Breakfast	7 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	May	15	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May	16	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	May	23	Fire Training Ctr	Firefighters' Field Day	
Saturday	June	5	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	1 to 7 PM
Sunday	June	6	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	12 noon to 6 PM
Tuesday	Aug.	17	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co Caucus for 1999 Firemen's Convention	8PM
Saturday	Aug.	21	Laureldale	Pig Roast	12 noon til ?
Fri & Sat	Sept	17 & 18	Wildwood	1999 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Oct.	2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct.	9	Fire Training Ctr	Fire Prevention Expo - Demos - etc	
Saturday	Oct.	16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

*"In Union For The Safety Of All"*

Whitey Swartz reported that March 15th is cutoff for receiving Fire Prevention Posters for judging.

Whitey also reported that forms have been sent out for companies to forward names for consideration of the Valor Awards committee and they should be sent back as soon as possible for the committee's review as the April 21st meeting is fast approaching. The Mutual Aid books are being updated and should be sent out next month. Anyone having any updates **should forward them to Whitey.**

Motion seconded and carried to hold the Fire Prevention Expo at the Fire Training Center on Saturday, October 9th, with Sunday October 10 as a rain date.

James Garth reported on the Chiefs' Association meeting of January 26th.

Jim also reported that Atlantic County Harley Davidson has donated a display case for use at the fire training center.

Motion seconded and carried to hold a Firefighters' Field Day on Sunday, May 23 at the Fire Training Center. Volunteers are needed to help Dennis Sharpe with the affair.

A Fire Police Unit is to be formed within the Firefighters' Association.

A committee is to be formed for EMS in the Fire Service. Any volunteers???

The Radio Policy Committee reported progress. A discussion was held on different frequencies being used as well as some companies and departments not having all of the necessary frequencies.

Oscar Dutch reported on Forest Fire Interface.

Ted Reinhard reported on his Christmas wish list that he sent to Elkhardt Brass and they have responded and the fire training center is to receive \$6300.00 of donated equipment from them. Ted was given thanks for once again procuring necessary items.

A letter of thanks was received from the New Jersey Firemen's Home for the \$200.00 donation for the benefit of the guests.

Division C of the New Jersey Forest Fire Service is to hold a course on "Fire Protection Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface" at the Laureldale fire house on Friday March 19th 7 to 10 PM and on Saturday March 20th 8:30 AM to 4 PM. Further information as well as registration can be obtained by called 625-1121.

Membership applications were received and approved for

Matthew Cairnes III and Matthew S. Fisher	both of Egg Harbor City
Frank and Dianna Kreutzer	both of Dorothy

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

Tjere being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with Benediction by Thomas Sweeny.

The next meeting of the Firefighters' Association is to be held on Wednesday, March 17th at 8:00 P.M. in Folsom.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Folsom

March 17, 1999

A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Assn. was called to order at 8:00PM with First Vice-President Thomas Hunter presiding. The meeting was opened with the flag salute, followed by the invocation offered by Chaplain Sweeny.

The membership was welcomed to Folsom by Chief Larry Smith.

The rolls were read to record attendance and to ensure a quorum.

Minutes of the previous meeting of Feb. 17, 1999 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the chiefs and secretaries.

The Treasurer's report was approved and accepted as read.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Training:** Chairman Mike Corbo was not available as he was attending the FDIC Conference. It was reported by other instructors that classes are going well.

**Fire Coordinator:** Whitey Swartz was unable to attend but did request the chair to remind companies that if they have any last minute valor recommendations to get them in to Whitey before March 23 when the committee is to meet. Very few submissions, particularly from the volunteer departments have been received.

**Executive Committee:** Minutes from the meeting held on March 5 in Pomona were presented. Recommendations held over to new business.

**Training Center Board of Directors:** Minutes of the March 8 meeting were presented. It was noted that an accurate accounting of all useage must be maintained for justification of any future needs. Departments must file reports.

**Valor:** Committee to meet on March 23. Awards to be presented at next regular meeting in April to be held at the Training Center.

**Ways and Means:** Chairman Hunter reported that more T-Shirts/Sweats and hats are on order. The large number of attendees in the classes has exhausted our supply.

**Field Day:** Chairman Sharpe reported that all fliers concerning the May 23 event have been sent out. Joe Landy was to present the evening's program with a video of last year's event.

**Chief's Assn:** Chief Garth reported on last month's meeting with much of the discussion centering on the respiratory protection regulations. Next meeting March 30, 8:00PM in Landisville.

**Unfinished Business:** Nothing discussed.

**New Business:** The Association's Annual Dinner was announced. To be held Friday, April 30 at The Italian Gourmet Restaurant, Pitney and Jimmy Leeds Road in Galloway Twp. 6:30PM hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, cash bar and dinner at 7:30. \$30.00 per person. Dinner choices listed on enclosed flier. Reservations to Howard Guenther, 652-7712. All firefighters and their guests are invited to attend.

**Executive Committee Recommendations:** All of the following were approved by appropriate motions:

1. \$60,000 CD upon upcoming maturity to be rolled over at the same term at the best rate. Interest above \$60,000 to be placed in the training payroll account.
2. IRS form 990 as per advise of Association Accountant to be completed and filed.
3. A Firefighter's flag and pole with accessories to be purchased for presentation to the Cape-Atlantic Police and Fire Pipe and Drum Brigade.
4. A training dummy to be purchased out of training budget.

**Applications for Membership:** Four applications were received and approved: All from Bayview: Scott Thomas; Gregory Quein; Scott Winneberger; and Faith Lancaster.

**Bills:** All bills presented and approved for payment.

**Good of the Order:** It was noted that the Discovery Channel has been presenting many fire related program on Sunday nights. We may wish to obtain copies for the library.

Tanker Task Force "A" to meet March 18 in Farmington.

Program for the evening presented by Joe Landy with a video and information concerning the Field Day on May 23.

There being no further business, a benediction was offered by Chaplain Sweeny.

Adjournment at 9:15 with the next meeting to be held April 21, 1999, 8:00PM at the Training Center.

**Date Clearing:**

Sunday	April 11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8AM to 12noon
Saturday	April 17	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8PM
Thursday	April 22	Absecon	Death Benefit Trustees	8PM
Sunday	April 25	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30AM to 12
Friday	April 30	<u>Association Annual Dinner, Italian Gourmet, Galloway Twp.</u> <u>6:30PM Cost \$30.00 per person Contact H. Guenther</u>		
Saturday	May 1	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8PM

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Sunday	May 9	Hammonton #2	Mother's Day Breakfast	7AM to 12noon
Wednesday	May 12	Atlantic City	Annual Fire and Police Memorial Services	
			11AM Full Dress Uniform	
Saturday	May 15	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30PM
Sunday	May 16	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8AM to 12noon
Sunday	May 23	Training Center	Firefighter's Field Day	
Saturday	June 5	Cologne	Chicken BBQ etc.	1 to 7PM
Sunday	June 6	Dorothy	Chicken BBQ etc.	12noon to 6PM
Sunday	June 13	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8AM to 12noon
Saturday	August 7	Egg Harbor City	Spaghetti Dinner	
Tuesday	August 17	Egg Harbor City	Co Caucus for 99 Cont.	8PM
Saturday	August 21	Laureldale	Pig Roast	12 noon till ?
Saturday	Sept 11	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 17 & 18	Wildwood	1999 Convention	
Saturday	Oct. 2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8PM
Saturday	Oct. 9	Training Center	Fire Prevention Expo	
Sunday	Oct. 10	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30AM to 12
Saturday	Oct. 16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30PM

Attested  
Howard Berchtold, Jr.



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Atlantic County Fire Training Center

April 21, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 21, 1999 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 and the body was welcomed by Assistant Chief John Berekeiko of the Fire Department.

The Secretary read the rolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present. Minutes of the previous meeting of March 17, 1999 were approved and accepted as read.

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

President Ed Vincent welcomed the membership and guests to the meeting and the Annual Valor Awards presentation. Ed also acknowledged and introduced the following members of Atlantic County Government: Executive Richard Squires; Freeholders Dennis Levinson, John W. Risley, and Joseph Silipena; Glen Mawby, Michael Schurman, Frank Mazzone, Vincent Jones III and the Public Safety Director of Atlantic City George Pugh.

The main order of business for the evening was the Annual Valor Awards presentations with Fire Marshal Whitey Swartz, Chairman introducing the members of the Awards Committee. A short video was shown, followed by the presentation of the Valor Awards to the following:

Meritorious Awards

Captain Edwin Peterson  
Inspector Scott McKnight  
Firefighter Robert Soifer

Class Two Award

Firefighter Calvin Miller

Class One Awards

Captain Sam Horton  
Firefighter Kevin Stransky  
Firefighter John Lesco

Top Valor Award

Captain Michael Sykes

all of the Atlantic City Fire Department.

A narration of the actions performed by the recipients of the awards was given.

Dennis Levinson presented the recipients of the valor awards with certificates of appreciation from the County and the Board of Freeholders.

DATE CLEARING

Saturday	May	15	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Saturday	May	15	Somers Point #1	Country & Western Dance	7:30 to 11 P.M.
Sunday	May	16	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	May	16	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Sunday	May	23	Fire Training Ctr	Firefighters' Field Day	
Saturday	June	5	Port Republic	Flea Market	9 AM to 5 PM
Saturday	June	5	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, Etc.	1 to 7 PM
Sunday	June	6	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Que, etc.	12 noon to 6 PM
Sunday	June	13	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	June	13	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	June	19	Pomona	Bus Trip to Longwood Gardens	info 652-2062
Saturday	June	19	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance and BarBeQue	5 to 9 PM
Sunday	July	11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Thursday	July	29	Dorothy	Atl.Co. Firemen's Death Benefit Trustees' Meeting	8 PM
Saturday	July	31	Somers Point #1	Country & Western Dance	7;30 to 11 PM



## DATE CLEARING (continued)

Saturday	Aug. 7	Egg Harbor City	Spaghetti Dinner	
Sunday	Aug. 8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Aug. 17	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co Caucus for 1999 Firemens Convention	8 PM
Saturday	Aug. 21	Laureldale	Pig Roast	12 noon til ?
Saturday	Aug. 21	Somers Point #1	Country & Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Saturday	Sept 11	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 17 & 18	Wildwood	1999 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept 18	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Oct. 2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 9	Fire Training Ctr	Fire Prevention Expo	
Sunday	Oct. 10	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct. 16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

Mike Corbo reported that Firefighter I is just about completed and that the Spring Sessions will coming to an end shrotly. Live Burns are held the first (1st) Wednesday of each month and are planning on holding Firefighter I during the day in the summer.

Ted Reinhard reported on the recently attended FDIC and should be receiving quite a bit of new equipment that is being donated by suppliers for the Fire Training Center.

A dsicussion was held on the Respiratory Protection Act and the required Respiratory Fit Test and that the necessary testing equipment with attachments for different manufacturers' face pieces is estimated between \$9000.00 to \$10,000.00 Amotion was made, seconded and carried for the Officers to contact the County Government in regard to them purchasing this equipment.

Dennis Sharpe gave a preliminary report on the upcoming May 23rd Firefighters' Field Day at the Fire Training Center.

The membership was reminded that there is to be no food or drinks in the classrooms.

The members were reminded of the Wednesday, May 12th Memorial Services at the Fire and Police Plaza in Atlantic City. Motion seconded and carried for the Firefighters' Association to split the cost of the floral wreath with the Chiefs' Association.

Tom Hunter reported that T-shirts, hats, etc. are available for purchase. He is also trying to obtain an ice machine for the Fire Training Center.

Robert Mellon reported on EMS for the Fire Service.

Oscar Dutch reported on the Search training that he attended in Cape May County.

The membership application for Randolph Shepherd of Bayview was approved.

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

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with benediction by Chaplain Thomas Sweeny.

The next meeting of the Firefighters' Association is to be held on Wednesdat, May 19th at 8:00 PM in Oceanville.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Oceanville (Galloway Township)

May 19, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, May 19, 1999 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 Oceanville by Chief Joseph Marting and to Galloway Township by Chief Thomas Culleney. Minutes of the previous meeting of April 21, 1999 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries. The Report of the Treasurer was approved and accepted as read.

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on May 7, 1999 were approved and accepted as read. The minutes of the Board of Directors of the Fire Training Center meeting held on May 10, 99 were read to update the membership on activities at the center.

The Secretary reported that the drawing for the fire companies of the County who desire to participate as part of the Atlantic County unit in the September 18, 1999 Wildwood parade will be held at the next meeting on June 16th in Milmay. The Association will once again sponsor 2 trophies for participants in the Atlantic County unit:

Best Appearing Apparatus and Best Appearing Company/Department Overall  
Motion seconded and carried that antiques would be included in the best appearing apparatus category. However, if there would be a tie, then the trophy for best appearing apparatus would be awarded to the apparatus still in service.

It was reported that there is a water emergency in Atlantic City and that units from the County are assisting the City during this crisis.

## Date Clearing

Saturday	June 5	Port Republic	Flea Market	9 AM to 5 PM
Saturday	June 5	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc.	1 to 7 PM
Sunday	June 6	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc.	12 noon to 6 PM
Sunday	June 13	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	June 13	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	June 19	Pomona	Bus Trip to Longwood Gardens	info 652-2062
Saturday	June 19	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance & Bar-Be-Cue	5 to 9 PM
Sunday	July 11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Thursday	July 29	Dorothy	Atl.Co. Firemen's Death Benefit Trustees' Meeting	8 PM
Saturday	July 31	Somers Point #1	Country & Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Saturday	Aug. 7	Egg Harbor City	Spaghetti Dinner	
Sunday	Aug. 8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Aug. 17	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co Caucus for 1999 Firemen's Convention	8 PM
Saturday	Aug. 21	Laureldale	Pig Roast	12 noon til ??
Saturday	Aug. 21	Somers Point #1	Country & Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Saturday	Sept 11	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	Sept 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Sept 12	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 17&18	Wildwood	1999 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept 18	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Sept 25	Somers Point #1	Craft Show	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	Sept 25	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance & Bar-Be-Cue	5 to 9 PM
Saturday	Oct. 2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 9	Fire Training Ctr	Fire Prevention Expo	
Sunday	Oct. 10	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Oct. 10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct. 16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM

The Training Committee reported that the Spring training sessions are just about concluded. Reported that 1 training was burnt during a training evolution and explained the incident. Are to continue with the Live Burns the first Wednesday of each month. To conduct Firefighter I training during the day this summer. Will also schedule classes for requalifying QSO, QTO, and QDI. Are starting to prepare the booklet for the training courses to be given in the fall and books will be issued shortly.

The Firefighters' Association is in touch with the County Government in regard to the purchase of equipment and adapters to conduct the FITS testing and are waiting for a reply.

Chief James Garth reported that the Chief's Association is in contact with Atlantic Care in regard to them conducting the respiratory physicals.

Tom Hunter reported that T-shirts, etc. are available at the center for purchase.

Ron Bird reported that the library is open Monday and Tuesday evenings and he is looking for donations of books, videos, etc. for the library.

Howard Guenther gave a report on the April 30th dinner.

A report on the May 12th Fire and Police memorial ceremony was given.

Chief Tom Culleney reported that district 26 is upgrading their communications to enhance fire communications for the various task force units of the county, etc.

The committee for EMS in the fire service will be Robert Mellon, Barry Bruner, and Tom Hawk.

Bill Bennett was appointed to the Fire Police committee.

Dennis Sharpe reported on the upcoming May 23 firefighters' field day.

Ted Reinhard had a K950 Partner Power Saw, and a Cutters Edge Chain Saw on display that was received from the manufacturers as a donation for the Fire Training Center. A Pro Pak for foam has also been received and is at the center.

The applications for membership of Andrew and Michael Kornblau of Longport were approved for membership.

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 the next scheduled meeting to be held at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, June 16th, 1999 at Milmay.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Milmay (Buena Vista Township)

June 16, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, June 16, 1999 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 Milmay and Buena Vista Township.

Minutes of the previous meeting of May 19, 1999 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

Positions of the Atlantic County Unit in the Wildwood parade of Saturday, September 18, 1999 was drawn and is as follows:

- Atlantic County Banner
- 1. Buena Vista Township
- 2. Galloway Township
- 3. Mullica Township
- 4. Somers Point
- 5. Absecon
- 6. Estell Manor
- 7. Egg Harbor City
- 8. EHC Life Members
- 9. Grae Ayers
- 10. Egg Harbor Township
- 11. Weymouth Township
- 12. Borough of Buena

- 13. Township of Hamilton
- 14. Fire Museum of South Jersey
- 15. ACIAP - SJ Transportation Authority
- 16. NJ Forest Fire - Division "C"
- 17. Linwood
- 18. Hamilton Township
- 19. NJ Air National Guard
- 20. Northfield
- 21. Port Republic
- 22. Hammonton
- 23. Longport
- 24. F-2500 Mobile Communications

## DATE CLEARING

Sunday	July	11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	July	17	Minotola	Sub Sale	11 AM to 2 PM
Saturday	July	17	Estell Manor	Sub Sale & Flea Market	8 AM to 2 PM
Thursday	July	29	Dorothy	Atl.Co.Firemen's Death Benefit Meeting	8 PM
Saturday	July	31	Somers Point #1	Country & Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Th-Fri-Sat	Aug	5-6-7	Route 50	4-H Fair	
Saturday	Aug.	7	Egg Harbor City	Spaghetti Dinner	
Sunday	Aug.	8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Aug.	17	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co Caucus for 1999 Firemen's Convention	8 PM
Saturday	Aug.	21	Laureldale	Pig Roast	12 noon til ?
Saturday	Aug.	21	Somers Point #1	Country & Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Sunday	Aug.	29	Estell Manor	Country Style Bar-Be-Cue	11 AM to 7 PM
Saturday	Sept.	11	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Sunday	Sept.	12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Sept.	12	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept	17&18	Wildwood	1999 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept.	18	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Sept.	25	Somers Point #1	Craft Show	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	Sept.	25	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance & Bar-Be-Cue	5 to 9 PM
Saturday	Oct.	2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct.	9	Fire Training Ctr	Fire Prevention Expo	
Sunday	Oct.	10	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Oct.	10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct.	16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	Oct.	17	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	Oct.	23	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Saturday	Nov.	13	Somers Point #1	Penny Market	7:30 PM
Sunday	Nov.	14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Dec.	12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon

Training Committee reported that the Spring Semester training courses have been completed. Booklets for the Fall training are being prepared and will be out shortly. Classes for QSO, QTO, and ODI are to be given again to requalify all who need be and notices on dates to be sent out shortly.

I-200 Incident Command courses are also to be given and these may be given at your firehouse as an outreach problem. Other courses may also be given as outreach programs.

The County is presently filing paperwork for grants to purchase the FITS testing equipment and all necessary adapters.

Oscar Dutch reported on the recent water emergency in Atlantic City and the role played in assisting them with the Task Force teams.

Oscar also gave a short report on Forest Fire interface.

Barry Bruner gave a report on EMS interface.

Dennis Sharpe reported on the May 23rd Firefighters' Field Day and 8 teams participated with Absecon accumulating the highest overall score.

Dennis also reported on trophies given for fire apparatus.

Howard Berchtold reported on the upcoming August 5-6-7 4\_h Fair and on Displays and Demos to be part of the firefighter portion of the fair.

Ron Bird reported library to be open on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

County Executive Committeeman Howard Guenther reported the 1999 New Jersey State Firemen's convention is to be held in Wildwood on Friday September 17th and Saturday September 18th with the parade to be held on September 18th starting at 1 PM.

He also reported that the Atlantic County Caucus will be held on Tuesday, August 17th in Egg Harbor City at 8 PM. Any firefighter who so desires may attend.

Motion seconded and carried for the secretary to contact our legislators to ask their support on Assembly Bill A- 3073 which is to appropriate funding for thermal imaging equipment.

The following applications for membership were approved

Ricky E. Berlin of Dorothy and Patrick Broecker of Pomona

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 the next meeting scheduled to be held on Wednesday, Junly 21st, 1999 at 8 PM in Linwood.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Linwood

July 21, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, July 21, 1999 with 2nd Vice President Dennis Sharpe presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation by Thomas Sweeny, Chaplain of the Firefighters' Association

The membership was welcomed to Linwood by Chief Charles Doughty who also introduced the Mayor of Linwood, who also expressed his welcome.

The secretary read the rolls to ensure a quorum being present and to record attendance. The minutes of the previous meeting of June 16, 1999 were accepted and approved as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of July 9, 1999 were approved and accepted as read with a recommendation held over to new business.

The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on July 12, 1999 were reviewed.

Howard Berchtold Jr. reported on the proposed plans for the August 5-6-7 4-H Fair and on demos, etc.

The Training Committee reported that they had a good cleanup at the Fire Training Center and grounds and facilities look a lot better.

Reported that the Training Booklets for the Fall Semester of the Training Courses are out and distributed to all companies. Firefighter I to start on September 8 and Firefighter II to start on September 14. Will also be given refresher training on QSO, QTO, and ODI,

Are presently in discussion with the Surf baseball team to set up a date for Firefighters' Night at their game.

Date for the Firefighters' Night at the Surf Baseball Game has been set for Saturday, September 11th with game time at 7:05 PM.. Information will be sent out shortly. Proceeds of this game to benefit the "Burn Foundation".

## DATE CLEARING

Th-Fri-Sat	Aug 5-6-7	Route 50	4-H Fair	
Saturday	Aug. 7	Egg Harbor City	Spaghetti Dinner	4 to 7 PM
Sunday	Aug. 8	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Aug. 17	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co Caucus for 1999 Firemen's Convention	8 PM
Saturday	Aug. 21	Laureldale	Pig Roast	12 noon til ?
Saturday	Aug. 21	Somers Point #1	Country & Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Sunday	Aug. 29	Estell Manor	Country Style Bar-Be-Cue	11 AM to 7 PM
Saturday	Sept. 11	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Sept. 11	Firefighters' Night at Surf's Baseball-Benefit	Burn Foundation	7:05 PM
Sunday	Sept. 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Sept. 12	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 17&18	Wildwood	1999 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept. 18	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Sept. 25	Somers Point #1	Craft Show	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	Sept. 25	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance & Bar-Be-Cue	5 to 9 PM
Saturday	Oct. 2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 9	Fire Training Center	Fire Prevention Expo	
Sunday	Oct. 10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct. 16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	Oct. 17	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Oct. 17	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	Oct. 23	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Saturday	Nov 13	Somers Point #1	Penny Market	7:30 PM
Sunday	Nov 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Dec. 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon

Plans are being formulated for the October 9th Fire Prevention Expo at the Fire Training Center.

Atlantic County Executive Howard Guenther reported that the 1999 Atlantic County Caucus for Chiefs, Delegates, and Life Members is to be held in Egg Harbor City on Tuesday, August 17th at 8:00 PM. Registration to start at approximately 7:15 PM. Any Firefighter of the County who also desires to attend is welcome.

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

The Executive Committee recommended the expenditure of \$500.00 to purchase books and magazine racks for the Library and a motion was made, seconded and carried authorizing the purchase.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to the Organizations and individuals who supported the Field Day.

The application for membership of Albin Montag of Germania was approved.

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 scheduled for Wednesday, August 18 at 8:00 PM in Mizpah.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Mizpah (Hamilton Township)

August 18, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, August 18, 1999 with President Ed Vincent presiding, and Ed pointed out the exits.

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

Chief Jay Davenport welcomed the membership to Mizpah and to Hamilton Township.

The minutes of the previous meeting of July 21, 1999 were accepted and approved as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

Howard Berchtold Jr. reported on the August 5-6-7 4-H Fair and the displays and evolutions. Thanks were given to the Committee and all participants for a job well done.

Ed Vincent reported that work is being performed on outside buildings to get them all back in shape and they had a good general cleanup of the outside area and will do the same inside.

Ed reported that the NJ Transit will have their seminar in Camden this year and hopefully we can have them back in Atlantic County in 2000.

Training booklets for the Fall 1999 have been distributed listing all courses and Firefighter I is to start on September 8 and Firefighter II to start September 14.

Recertification for all QSO, QTO, and QDI must be received every 2 years and training will be given shortly for those that have not been recertified.

Anyone needing certificates for courses they have completed should call 407-6728 and leave a message (voice mail) on the answering machine at the firefighter office at the Fire Training Center.

Arrangements have been made to hold the First (1st) "South Jersey Fire Fighters' Night" at the Surf baseball game on Saturday, September 11th, 1999 at 7:05 P.M. Purchase deadline for purchasing tickets is September with proceeds to benefit the Burn Foundation.

## DATE CLEARING

Sunday	Aug. 29	Estell Manor	Country Style Bar-Be-Cue	11 AM to 7 PM
Saturday	Sept. 11	Weekstown	Pig Roast	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Sept. 11	Firefighters' Night at Surf	Baseball-Benefit Burn Foundation	7:05 PM
Sunday	Sept. 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Sept. 12	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 17&18	Wildwood	1999 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept. 18	Wildwood	Parade	1:00 PM
Sunday	Sept. 19	Delareto's	Scannapieco Fund Raiser-info 804-0420 404-1704	4PM til
Saturday	Sept. 25	Pleasantville	Rail Safety Expo	9 AM to 1 PM
Saturday	Sept. 25	Somers Point #1	Craft Show	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	Sept. 25	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance & Bar-Be-Cue	5 to 9 PM
Saturday	Oct. 2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 9	Fire Training Center	Fire Prevention Expo	12 noon to 3 PM
Sunday	Oct. 10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct. 16	Egg Harbor City	2nd Annual Golf Tournament	info 965-3751
Saturday	Oct. 16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	Oct. 17	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Oct. 17	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	Oct. 23	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Saturday	Nov. 6	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Nov. 13	Somers Point #1	Penny Market	7:30 PM
Sunday	Nov. 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Dec. 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon



Will Oliver of the NJ Transit's Atlantic City Line Safety Committee reported that an Emergency Responder Rail Safety Expo will be held on Saturday, September 25 at the Pleasantville Municipal Complex from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and the seminar is to be free.

Barry Bruner reported on EMS Interface and that there seems to be quite some interest being expressed and are to have meeting in September.

Howard Guenther reported on the Atlantic County Caucus held on August 17th for Delegates and Life Members of the County Relief Associations. He also reported that Charles Sander had an operation the end of July and is recuperating. A get well card was passed around at the Caucus for all to sign and was delivered to him.

Tom Foley was present and spoke on different items of concern to the fire service. Mayor Chiarello of Buena Vista was present on spoke on the LOSAP program and reported that there is to be meeting in November at Convention Hall in Atlantic City and would forward additional information.

Joseph Ward spoke on Search and Rescue and operations in Turkey.

A letter was received from Executive Richard Squires that the County would make the acquisition of the SCBA Mask fitness testing equipment either thru a grant or out of funds during the end of the year.

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 the next meeting scheduled for 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 15th in Hammonton at the Company No. 1 firehouse on Passmore Street.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Hammonton Co. No. 1

September 15, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, September 15, 1999 with President Ed Vincent presiding, and pointing out the exits.

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

Chief Jack Donio welcomed the Association and the membership to Hammonton.

The minutes of the previous meeting of August 18, 1999 were accepted and approved as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of September 10, 1999 were approved and accepted as read.

Highlights of the September 13, 1999 meeting of the Fire Training Center Board of Directors was given

Whitey Swartz spoke on plans for the October 9th Fire Expo at the Fire Training Center.

Chief Garth reported the Chiefs' Association is still working on an agency to conduct the required firefighters' physicals.

The Secretary reported that the following have not paid their 1999 \$60.00 dues to the Firefighters' Association:

Belcoville      Collings Lakes      Margate      Pleasantville

The Training Committee gave an update on training courses being offered during the 1999 Fall sessions. The reported that there are 43 trainees in Firefighter I and 20 in Firefighter II.

Ed Vincent reported on the September 11th Surf Baseball game and that a portion of the proceeds of 204 tickets will be donated to the Burn Foundation. This is to be an annual event sponsored by the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association with the proceeds to benefit the Burn Foundation.

Ron Bird reported that the library at the Training Center is open from 7 to 9 PM on Monday and Tuesday evenings and that usage is picking up with the classes in session.

Tom Hunter reported that T-shirts, hats, etc. are available for sale at the Training Center.

The program for the November 17th meeting in Somers Point is to be on Workmen's Compensation as pertains to the fire service.

The 1st nomination for the year 2000 officers of the Association will be held at the October 20th meeting in Dorothy, and 2nd nomination will be held at the November 17 meeting in Somers Point, and elections at the December 15 meeting in Cardiff.

## DATE CLEARING

Saturday	Oct. 2	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Oct. 9	Fire Training Center	Fire Prevention Expo	12 noon to 3 PM
Sunday	Oct. 10	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	Oct. 16	Egg Harbor City	2nd Annual Golf Tournament	info 965-3751
Saturday	Oct. 16	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	Oct. 17	Egg Harbor City	Breakfast	6:30 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Oct. 17	Somers Point #1	Flea Market	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	Oct. 23	Somers Point #1	Country Western Dance	7:30 to 11 PM
Saturday	Nov. 6	Pomona	Christmas Bazaar	
Saturday	Nov. 6	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM
Saturday	Nov. 13	Somers Point #1	Penny Auction	7:30 PM
Sunday	Nov. 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Dec. 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon

A discussion was held on County funding of the Communications and Training Programs and a motion was made, seconded and carried for the Officers to attend the next meeting of the Freeholders on Tuesday, September 21st to see what could be done to expedite receiving our quarterly funding and perhaps receive an increase in our funding for our programs.

Motion seconded and carried to transfer funds from the Training Account to the General Account to repay loan from General Account that was needed to pay different items of training.

Robert F. Kuhn and Michael R. Ring of Absecon were approved for membership into the Firefighters' Association.

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 the next meeting scheduled for 8:00 PM on Wednesday, October 20th at the Dorothy firehouse.

Attested  
Howard R Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Dorothy (Weymouth Township)

October 20, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8 PM on Wednesday, October 20, 1999 with President Ed Vincent presiding, with Ed pointing out the fire exits.

Chief Ellwood Seelman welcomed the membership to Dorothy and Weymouth Township. Chief Seelman then introduced the Officers of the Dorothy Fire Co. who were in attendance. 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 minutes of the previous meeting of September 15, 1999 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

Harold Swartz reported on the October 9th fire expo and that it was well received by the public and has received many favorable comments. Whitey extended thanks to all who assisted and helped to make the expo a success.

Whitey also reported that the poster contest is just getting started and to get them to his committee for judging as soon as possible.

Whitey is also to compile information in regard to different makes of SCBA's that the companies and departments in the County are using so that proper adapters may be obtained for fit test equipment.

R. James McLaughlin, MD, of Atlantic Care was present and presented a program in regard to respiratory protection standards and physicals and medical evaluations and is in the process of developing a clinic and fee schedule for evaluations, etc.

The Training Committee reported that Firefighter I and II are both going very well and they also reported on upcoming courses that are being offered as well as reported that ICS 200 is being given as an outreach class.

Ed Vincent reported that the Officers attended the Freeholders meeting in regard to funding of our Training and Communications Programs and also requesting submission of there funding in a timely manner and the officers will be meeting with the Budget Committee of the County in the near future.

Ron Bird reported that the library is open on Manday and Tuesday evenings 7 to 9 PM and that quite a few new books have been received for the library.

Tom Hunter reported that hats, T-Shirts, sweatshirts, etc are available for purchase at the training center and they are working to have items displayed in a showcase.

Forest Fire Service reported on changes in assignments and on new assignees, etc.

Howard Guenther reported that the age for becoming a member of the Atlantic County Firemen's Death Benefit is now 18 to 45 years, (was formerly 40), that is before one reaches his 46th birthday. He also reported that the yearly dues are now \$2.00 These changes are effective immediately.

The annual meeting of the Trustees to the Death Benefit will be held on Tuesday, January 20, 2000 at 8 PM in Absecon

Howard reported that Assembly Bill A-3073 has been signed in to Law and supplies supplemental appropriations of \$20,000.00 to DCA for purchasing of thermal imaging cameras.

## DATE CLEARING

Saturday	Nov 13	Somers Point #1	Penny Auction	7:30 PM
Sunday	Nov. 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Nov. 21	Bargaintown	Spaghetti Dinner	1 to 6 PM
Sunday	Dec. 5	Bargaintown	Breakfast (Boy Scout Troop)	7 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Dec. 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Jan. 20	Absecon	Atl. Co. Firemens's Death Benefit Trustees Mtg	8 PM

The membership application of William A. Dayton Jr. of Dorothy was approved.

There is to be a League of Municipalities Workshop on LOSAP on Tuesday, November 16th at 2:00 PM at the Atlantic City Convention Center

The Program for the November 17th meeting in Somers Point will be on Workmen's Compensation as it pertains to the Fire Service

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

First nomination of Officers for 2000 was called for and the following were nominated:

President	Ed Vincent	Executive Committee (9)
1st Vice President	Thomas Hunter Jr.	Howard Berchtold Jr.
2nd Vice President	Dennis Sharpe	Ronald Bird Jr.
Secretary	Howard R. Guenther	Tony Canale
Treasurer	Lou Raciti	Oscar Dutch
Chaplain	Thomas Sweeny	James Garth
Sergeants-at-Arms (3)	Howard Bowen	Charles J. Guenther
	Clarence Guenther	Skip Portale
	Charles Sander	Ted Reinhard
		John V. Wagner

Second Nominations to be called for at the November 17th meeting and elections to be held at the December 15th meeting.

The following were awarded trophies at the September 18th, 1999 parade in Wildwood:

#### State Trophies

Best Appearing Fire Heavy Rescue Unit  
Pomona - First Place

Best Appearing Fire Light Rescue Unit  
Collings Lakes - Second Place

Best Appearing Mini-Pumper under 500 GPM  
East Vineland - First Place

Best Appearing Platform and Snorkle  
Somers Point #1 - First Place

Best Appearing Motorized 51 years or older  
Pomona - First Place  
Nesco - Second Place

#### Bands

Oakcrest High School - Second Place  
Absegami High School - Third Place

#### Special Judges Awards

Egg Harbor Township Boy Scouts  
East Vineland Fire Co. #1223

#### Atlantic County Trophies

Best Appearing Apparatus  
Pomona

Best Appearing Fire Company or Department  
Pomona

Best Appearing Rescue Unit  
Pomona

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting scheduled to be held on Wednesday, November 17th at 8:00 P.M. at the Somers Point Co. No. 2 firehouse.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Somers Point Co. No. 2 November 17, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8 PM on Wednesday, November 17, 1999 with President Edward Vincent presiding, and with Ed pointing out the exits.

The membership was welcomed to Somers Point by Chief Frank Denan who then introduced the Line Officers of the Fire Co.

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

The Secretary read the rolls to ensure a quorum being present and to record attendance. The minutes of the previous meeting of October 20, 1999 were approved as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of October 29, 1999 were approved and accepted as read.

Highlights of the November 8, 1999 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Training Center were given.

The training committee reported that fall semester classes are going along smoothly and will conclude in December until spring courses.

Trainees in Firefighter I are being given instruction in regard to bloodborne pathogens and names will be forwarded to the County and they may obtain the Hepatitis B shots from the County Health Department.

It was brought out that a booster shot is needed after 5 years and maybe quite a few are in need of boosters as it has been about 5 years since most original received them. The County is to purchase the SCBA Fots Test equipment and that the paperwork is now being submitted.

Jim Garth reported that he is still waiting to hear from Dr. McLaughlin in regard to SCBA evaluations and physicals.

Oscar Dutch reported on the Forest Fire interface.

Barry Bruner reported on the EMS interface.

Gwynne Brown reported on the LOSAP seminar given at the League of Municipalities.

Barry Bruner reported that the bill on Thermal imaging cameras has been signed into law and specs and guidelines are being developed for their purchases.

Howard Guenther reported that the annual dinner for the Association is to be held on Saturday, February 19th at the Italian Gourmet in Galloway Township.

Howard also reminded the membership of the Annual Memorial Services to be held on Wednesday, January 19th, 2000 in Egg Harbor City and requested the companies to forward names of their firefighters who answered their last alarm during the past year as soon as possible so that they may properly be included in the printed program and services.

The exchanging of gifts at the next meeting was discussed and those desiring to exchange gifts should bring one in the vicinity of \$10-15.

## DATE CLEARING

Saturday	Dec. 11	Pomona	Cape May Bus Trip-Dinner Theatre. etc	info 965-8862
Sunday	Dec. 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	Dec. 19	Farmington	Breakfast with Santa	9 to 11 AM
Thursday	Jan. 20	Absecon	Atl.Co. Foremen's Death Benefit Trustees Mtg.	8 PM
Saturday	Feb. 19	Italian Gourmet	Firefighters' Assn Dinner	

The Executive Committee recommended that a maximum of \$4700.00 be allocated for the Association's representatives to attend the FDIC and a motion was made, seconded and carried to approve this recommendation.

Second nomination of Officers for year 2000 was called for and the following were nominated:

President	Edward Vincent	Executive Committee (9)
1st Vice President	Thomas Hunter Jr.	Howard Berchtold Jr.
2nd Vice President	Dennis Sharpe	Ronald Bird Jr.
Secretary	Howard R. Guenther	Tony Canale
Treasurer	Lou Raciti	Oscar Dutch
Chaplain	Thomas Sweeny	James Garth
Sergeants-at-Arms (3)	Howard Bowen	Charles J. Guenther
	Clarence <del>Bowen</del> GUENTHER	Skip Portale
	Charles Sander	Ted Reinhard
		John V. Wagner

Motion seconded and carried to close the nominations of officers.  
Election to be held at the next meeting of December 15th.

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

The program for the evening was presented by Larry Mintz of the law firm of Goldenberg, Mackler, Sayegh and Mintz on Workers' Compensation Rights as it pertains to the fire service and was informational and well received with many questions being answered.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 15th at 8:00 PM at the Cardiff firehouse on the Black Horse Pike (Route 322).

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Cardiff (Egg Harbor Township)

December 15, 1999

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8 PM on Wednesday, December 15, 1999 with President Edward Vincent presiding and pointing out the exits.

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

The membership was welcomed to Cardiff by Chief William Danz and to Egg Harbor Township by Anthony Canale, Chief of the Township Fire Department.

The Secretary read the rolls to ensure a quorum being present and to record attendance. The minutes of the previous meeting of November 17, 1999 were approved and accepted as forwarded to the Chiefs and Secretaries.

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

Secretary Howard Guenther reminded the membership of the annual Memorial Services that are to be conducted at the next meeting of January 19, 2000 in Egg Harbor City.

Firefighters are requested to attend in full dress uniforms for the Services.

Howard requested the companies to forward names of their departed members during the past year so that they may be included in the services. There is to be a printed program for the evenings services and names must be received no later than January 10th for them to be included on the program.

Howard also reported that the Firefighters' dinner is to be held at the Italian Gourmet in Galloway Township on Saturday, February 19, 2000 with the cost to be \$30.00 per person.

Howard reported that the Atlantic County Caucus for Chiefs, Delegates, Life Members, etc. for the year 2000 convention is to be held in Egg Harbor City at 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, August 15th, 2000. The year 2000 annual Convention is to be held in Wildwood on Friday, September 15th and Saturday, September 16th, 2000.

Information was received and discussed in regard to the LOSAP program, the Thermal Imaging Cameras, the Tuition Credit Act, and the Schoarships that are to be awarded by the New Jersey Burglar and Fire Alarm Association.

The Training Committee reported that the Spring 2000 training booklets are printed and being distributed. ICS 200 is to be given on Thursday January 6th and Sunday January 9th, Firefighter I to start on February 3rd and Firefighter II on March 3rd and a Hasty Search Team training in June as well as other courses as outlined in the booklet.

Have sent 2 Cairns air paks back to be upgraded and will be receiving a bill for them. County is presently working on bidding out for Fits teat equipment.

Richard F. Mulvihill has been appointed as head of Public Safety for The County effective January 1, 2000.

James Garth reported that he is still waiting to hear from Dr. McLaughlin in regard to evaluations and physicals for SCBA's, however, he did receive some information from Newcombe Hospital.

Ron Bird reported that the library is open on Monday and Tuesday evenings at the fire training center. He also reported that the display case is set up in lobby with different items that are available for purchase.

#### DATE CLEARING

Thursday	Jan. 20	Absecon	Atl.Co. Firemen's Death Benefit Trustees Mtg. 8 PM
Saturday	Feb. 19	Italian Gourmet	Atlantic County Firefighters' Association dinner
Saturday	May 6	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner 4 to 8 PM
Tuesday	Aug. 15	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co Caucus for 2000 Firemen's Convention 8PM
Fri&Sat	Sept 15 & 16	Wildwood	2000 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention
Saturday	Oct. 7	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner 4 to 8 PM

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# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Cardiff (Egg Harbor Township)

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A letter of thanks was received from the New Jersey Firemen's Home for the donation of \$200.00 which will be used for the benefit of the guests of the home.

A christmas card was received from our accouhtants, Kaufmann & Castrenze.

A letter was received from Frank Mazzone, present head of Public Safety for the county, informing the Association that he has submitted the budget for 2000 calling for a 10% increase in the Training and Communications Budgets. Hopefully this will be approved.

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

A discussion was held on the 6 Worcester Massachusetts firefighters who lost their lives fighting a large fire in the town and a motion was made, seconded and carried to donate \$500.00 to their firefighter fund.

Anyone desiring to make a donation toward their fund may do so by sending a check to

Firefighter Fund  
c/o Flagship Bank  
120 Front Street  
Worcester, Massachusetts 01608

Elections of officers for 2000 was called for and as there was no opposition for any of the offices, a motion was made, seconded and carried for the Secretary to cast a ballot and he announced the election of the following officers for the year 2000.

President	Edward Vincent	Executive Committee (9)
1st Vice President	Thomas Hunter Jr.	Howard Berchtold Jr.
2nd Vice President	Dennis Sharpe	Ronald Bird Jr.
Secretary	Howard R. Guenther	Anthony Canale
Treasurer	Lou Raciti	Oscar Dutch
Chaplain	Thomas Sweeny	James Garth
Sergeants-at-Arms (3)	Howard Bowen	Charles J. Guenther
	Clarence Guenther	Skip Portale
	Charles Sander	Ted Reinhard
		John V. Wagner

The program for the evening was presented by Joseph Ward and was a slide presentation on the flooding and destruction in Bound Brook as caused as a result of Hurricane Floyd.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 19, 2000 at 8:00 P.M. at the Egg Harbor City firehouse. Just a little reminder to wear full dress uniforms for the memorial services.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary

The Officers extend to you and your families their best wishes for a safe, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

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