

Egg Harbor City N.J.
January 17 1945

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the Council Chamber in the firehouse at Egg Harbor City on the above Date with President Maurice Y. Royal presiding with 82 members present,

The meeting opened with the singing off America

The President then called on our Chaplin Rev. Robert A. Elwood for the invocation,

Roll call was next in order and absentees taken note off,

The Secretarys report of the previous meeting was then read and upon motion was accepted as read, Motion was carried,

A letter of thanks from Commissiner William Cuthbert of Atlantic City thanking all departments from the County for there assistance at the general fires that they had in Atlantic City, This letter was read by our good Comrade Frank Hubin of Atlantic City,

The President then called on the auditing committee for a report, Your committee appointed to audit the books of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Atlantic County Firemens Ass. reports that audit was made on January 15th, covering the calender year 1944, The committee found the accounts correct and the books in good order, a summary of which is as follo

Cash Balance January 1, 1944		\$ 112.48
Receipts:		
Department Dues	\$ 66.25	
New members Dues	9.00	
Membership Dues	58.00	
Sale of buttons	2.50	135.75

		248.23

Disbursements:		
Walter Thoms-Flowers	10.00	
Henry Heitz-Refreshments	34.04	
Frank O. Breder-Printing Rosters	14.00	
Egg Harbor City Trust Co. Check book	2.75	
Henry F. Heitz Refreshments	18.31	
M. Volpe Flowers	5.00	
Henry F. Heitz Refreshments	18.51	102.61

Balance on hand December 31 1944 \$ 145.62

The Committee found no record of the payment of any salary to the Secretary-Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted. George T. Yetter, John M. McGeary, R.L. Benners
Committee,

Your Committee appointed to audit the books of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Atlantic County Firemens Death Benefit Fund reports that an audit was made on January 15th covering the calendar year 1944. The committee found the accounts correct and the books in good order, a summary of which is as follows,

Cash Balance-December 31, 1943	\$ 1132.36
Receipts from Assessments	766.25
Interest	9.94

	\$ 1908.55

Disbursements:

Payment claim to Jessie F. Hudson, Wife of Comrade Chief Hudson	200.00	
Payment of claim to Effie Miller, Wife of Comrade Elmer E. Miller	200.00	
Payment of claim to Mildred Fannelli, wife of comrade John Fannelli	200.00	
Premium on bond	5.00	
David Stiert Tres.	25.00	
R.L. Benners, Secy.	100.00	
R.L. Benners, Postage	5.24	735.24

Balance on hand Ventnor City National Bank Dec. 31, 1944 \$ 1173.31
Respectfully submitted George T. Yetter, John J. McGeary, Henry F. Heitz Comm.

The Treasurer report was then read and accepted as read motion carried,

President Maruice Y Royal then spoke to the association has of the attendance to the meeting of the past year and said that they were well attended and urges that the members come out coming year the same as the past and that we strive to bring in more members into the association which can be done with the help of every member of the Association,

The President then called on Chief Stuard on a report of the Chiefs Unit Chief Stuard then said that the annual meeting of the Chiefs Unit was held in Linwood and that they held election of officers for the coming year which were as follows, President Chief David Stuard, ^{V. J. J. J. J.} Vice President Chief Edward Budd of Absecon and Secretary and Treas. John Ingersoll of Linwood, Chief Stuard then invited all Chiefs, Ass't Chiefs, and Captians to attend the next meeting ~~held~~ held in Absecon on the 2nd Tuesday April 10 1945 and that the meeting was every interesting Chief Stuard also spoke on the new fog nozzle, ~~and high pressure,~~

A motion was then made and seconded that the Secretary write a letter of thanks to the Egg Harbor City Fire Department for the use of there fire house and all what they done for the County Ass. For the past year and that the County meetings for the year 1945 will again be held in Egg Harbor City,

The President then called On chief Johnson of Pleasantville fire dept to say a few words, Chief Johnson then spoke on fire apparrattuss he said that we should have ~~more~~ discussions on fire apparatus throughout the county especially the smaller machines, of the different companies, He also spoke of the moving up system in the county and said that ~~this~~ was a good thing, for this ass ~~ociation~~

Chief Steuard then spoke on high pressure and said that his captians are studying this up and thought that it might be possible to bring it to this Ass. and said it would be a big thing and help to every body,

Comarade David Byred then asked for the floor and spoke of a fire at the N. New York ship yard in the pattern room and that the Camden fire Dept was called and came and went into the building with 3 small lines with fog nozzles and had the fire out in no time with shows what fog nozzles will do and that they done a wonderfull piece of work,

Chief Yetter Then spoke on building fires and construction and that construction of buildings has a lot to do with fire and hopes that in the future building construction will be watched more after building starts again,

Chief Ford spoke on membership dues and urged more men of the different companies to join member ship in this ass.

Chief Dehn then spoke on fog nozzles he said that he has 5 bean trucks with high pressure and that he can cover a building 3 stories high also that it multiplies his water 15 to 1 and said that a straight fire stream is not as efficient as a stream that covers more fire, He also said that the fog nozzle of this type is the coming thing, spoke on a fire where 450 gallons of water done more good than 2000 gallons otherwise 30 gallons per minute to one nozzle,

Election of officers was then in order It was then moved and seconded that the nomination of officer be the same as last year a motion was then made that the nomination be closed and that the Secretary cast the Ballot The Secretary then cast the ballot for the officers for the ensuing year as follows,

President Maurice Y Royle Ventnor
 1st Vice President Henry M. Phillips Hammonton
 2nd " " Charles Hennis Egg Harbor City
 Honorary Vice President Samuel B. Conover Ocean City.
 Chaplin Dr. Robert A. Elwood Absecon
 Secretary and Treasurer Henry F. Heitz
 Executive Committee, Walter H. Ford Chairman, George Yetter Mays Landing
 John Turner Pomona, Allan Eckert Nesco, and George Hanselman Jr.
 Germania,

It was then moved and seconded that the officers be elected for the year 1945 motion carried,

It was then moved and seconded that the Sec. and Treas. Salary be paid motion carried,

The Secretary then present the following applications for membership to the Ass.

Oscar Dutch Bayviue,
 George Nast "
 George Breman Longport
 Ralph Conover Absecon

Upon motion they were elected to membership motion carried,

The refreshment for the evening were put up by the Egg Harbor City fire dept, and enjoyed by all present,

A motion was then made to adjourn to meet at Egg Harbor April 18 1945
 Financial report,

Balance in Bank. Jan 17 - 1945	\$ 145.62
Department Dues.	50.00
Applications for new membership	4.00
Membership Dues.	34.00
Total.	233.62

Expenditures Sec. + Treas Salary	50.00	
Postage	5.00	
	55.00	55.00

Bal. in Bank. April. 18 - 1945.	\$ 178.62
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attested
 Henry F. Heitz
 Sec.

Egg Harbor City N.J.
April 18 1948

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held in the firehouse at Egg Harbor on the above dated with Maurice Y. Royal presiding with 87 members present.

The meeting was opened by the singing of America,

The President then called on our Chaplain Mr. Robert M. Elwood to deliver the invocation,

Roll call of departments and delegates was next in order absentees were taken note off,

The minutes of the previous meeting was then read and upon motion accepted motion carried,

The treasurer report was then read upon motion accepted motion carried,

The president then called on Chief Stuart of Ventnor for a report of the chiefs meeting which was held in Absecon, Chief Steuard reported that they held very interesting talks and discussions on fog nozzles. Forest fires and radio and said that he thinks after the war most of the fire departments apparatus will be equiped with radios and that the next chiefs meeting will be held in Somers Point on July 3 1945

The Sec. then presented a bill from the C&C. nursey in Pleasantville for flowers for Horce Hertford \$5.00 and Henry Weitz for refreshments 20.30 motion made and seconded that bills be paid,

Upon motion of the Association it was moved to pay \$10.00 to Frank B. Hubin Publicty agent for the work he does for the association throughout the year motion carried,

Mr. Frank B. Hubin then introduced John Matter of the Atlantic City Fire Dept. who spoke to the Association and said that he was glad to be able to attend this meeting,

The President then called on Mr. Aaron State Forest fire District Division of Mays Landing who spoke on forest fires, he stated that the wardens pick up men to fight forest fire and are paid by the state and that the district wardens \$25.00 a year for there work, and that 90% of the men are working away from home and that the first few minutes count a lot and therefore try to contact the companies in the locality of the fire as soon as possible to get there aid, he stated that they have a 500 gallon tank wagon in Mays Landing, one in Milville, one in Bridgton, and expect to get one in Hammonton soon, (Mr. Aaron stated that in 1941 they had 350 fires against 1200 in 1944) and that radio meant a lot for the state of N.J. in the line of forest fires, to send help right away and the exact location also that messages can be sent back and forth so that men can be placed where needed and that the fire companies of this association were a great help to the forest fire service, he also stated that his men are instructed to fight any kind of fires and that the trucks answer many house fire calls,

Chief Yetter then asked for the floor and said that his company and the forest fire service cooperate together and that Mr. Aarons message was to assist us and hopes that the association will do all we can to stop forest fires and that we should follow out instructions given to us and work and cooperate together

Chief Ricci Of the Hammonton dept, then said that they cooperate with the forest fire service and that they give full support to Thomas Cardu of the forest fire service,

Chief Ford of Longport then spoke on sumps and asked if Mr. Aaron could do anything in the matter and hopes it wont be long when the whole county will be supplied with sumps and that the matter will be pushed on and asked if Mr. Aarons, Chief Budd and Chief Steuard could go to Trenton and see what can be done in this matter,

Dr. Robert A. Elwood then moved that the Secretary send a letter of thanks to the New Jersey Firemens Equipment Co. for the printing of the rosters for the association for the year 1945 motion was carried,

The President then called on Mr. Leon Hubbard of the Ventnor City Fire Dept, who attend a fire school of the government last Nov. in Fort Mc-Henry and that they had demonstrations on C and B fires naval all purpose fog nozzle skid pump hale pump and Chrysler pumps and that they had an oil fire in a tank 20 ft in diamiter 2 men with lines went in and had fire out in a few minuets with high pressure, and on Nov. 13th they had a liberty ship in the river port poured gas all over it and set it afire at 5 points at 1.37 pm. and at 301 pm. fire out after inspection was made it was found that they had used 6954 gallons of water and that 2500 gallons of water was left after the fire was out the rest turned into steam in 1 hour and 27 minuets the fire was completly out and that carbon dioxide not sufficient in these fires, and that fog is a wonder full protection in fire dis-talked was enjoyed by all members present,

Chief Dehn of the Naval Air Station then spoke on bean lines and that this was the nearest thing to steam and that steam helps to put out fire Chief Dehn then introduced Specialist R. Ormond from the Mobile Crash Circuit that is putting on a demonstration at the Naval Air station who spoke on the fog nozzle and foam and said he saw big fires put out with foam and that he was glad to have had the opportunity to come here and speak to the ass.

The Secretary then submitted the following applications for membership to this association,

Charles Natter Atlantic City
Thomas Vigue Linwood.
Alfred Halloway Port Republic
Francis Huntley " " "

Upon motion they were admitted as members of this association
Motion carried,

The President then called on Chief Refner from the Leaderville Fire dept. who said that he was glad and that it was a pleasure to come to this ass, again and that he is in the fire department for 25 years .

Mr. Aarons than put on some movies that he brought along which were enjoyed by all present,

Refreshments were served,

Meeting adjourned to meet again in Egg harbor City July 18 1945

Financial report,

Egg Harbor City N.J.
July 18 1945

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held on the above date Vice President Henry M. Phillipps presiding at the Egg Harbor City Fire house in Egg Harbor with 65 members present

The meeting was opened by the singing of America

The president then called on our Chaplin Rev. Robert A. Elwood for the invocation,

Roll call of delegates and departments was next in order

The Secretary then read the minutes of the previous meeting which were accepted as read, motion carried,

The Treasuer report was than read and upon motion accepted motion carried

Vice President Henry M. Phillipps at this time called for a caucus meeting to ~~appoint~~ ^{representative} to the New Jersey State Firemens Association upon motion it was to take the same action as last year At a meeting held in Egg Harbor City of the Atlantic County Firemens Association, It was moved by Chief Letter and seconded by Dr. Robert A. Elwood that this Association recomend to the various relief Associations that chief Henry M. Phillipps be nominated for the office as Resp. to the New Jersey Firemens Association for a full term, and that the Secretary be and is hereby instructed to communicate with the various Relief Ass. in the county and kindly ask them to concur in this recommendation, and please let me know as soon as possible,

Dr. Robert A. Elwood then asked for the floor to bring before this Ass. two old time volunteers Frank B. Rubin and James Ballintine who took part in the 75 anniversary of the board walk in Atlantic City through an invitation of Commissioner Chubert for volunteers to particiapste,

The President then called on Chief Steuard, Chief Steuard then said that the Chiefs Associations held a meeting in Somers Point and that it was very interesting, Chief Steuard then stated that he, Chief Budd Of Absecon and Mr. Arrans of the forest fire service went to Trenton and had quite a talk with Mr. Bidel of the forest fire service and that there will be 75 sumps put in this County with State backing and that he has appointed a sump committee consisting of Chief Budd Absecon, Chief Lewis Billing of Pomona and Ass't Chief John Shuman of Somers Point and asked for this Association to go on record to endorse this proposition and to appoint 2 members of this Association to work in conjunction with the Chiefs unit Committee, Dr. Robert A. Elwood then moved it be endorsed by the County Association seconded by David Byrd, Motion carried, Chief Steuard than made a motion that the chair appoint Chief Ricci of Hammonton, Chief Huntly of Port Republic and Dr. Elwood of Absecon to assist with the Chiefs unit committee,

Chief Steuard then intrduced Chief Alley Lambert of Hadden Heights Camden County who said he was glad to again be able to attend a meeting of Atlantic County firemens ass. and that the subject of sumps was interseting to him and wishes the Ass. Luck in getting them, he also stated that there will be so many more new electirc appliance to make fire a more hazard he also stated that the fire loss in this section of the country was not such a great loss as in other parts of the country, especially in this state,

The Chair then called on Mr. ^{Arrows} ~~Wassons~~ of the state forest fire service who stressed his talk on sumps and said with the help of the 2 committees we will get them and that they will be a great help to the whole county and all localities, David Byrd said he is interested and knows where there are 5 built 5 years ago and that there is no trouble in filling tank wagons, a motion to adjourn to meet in Egg Harbor on Oct 17 was next in order motion carried,

Attest *Henry D. Hart* Secretary

Egg Harbor City N.J.
Oct 17 1945

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firemens Association was held at the Firehouse in Egg Harbor City N.J. on the above date, With President Maurice Y. Royel presiding.

The meeting was called to order by singing of America.

The President then called on our chaplin Rev. Dr. Robert A. Elwood for the invocation.

Roll call of departments and delegates was next in order.

The Secretary then read the minutes of the previous meeting which were accepted as read. Motion carried.

The treasurers report was then read and upon motion accepted, motion carried.

The president then called on chief Stuart, who spoke on the chiefs Unit meeting which was held in Northfield Oct. 9, Chief Stuart stated that the topic dealt on at this meeting was fire prevention in observance of fire prevention week, and the question of nozzles. He also stated Sump committee working on project and to meet with the Freeholders soon.

Chief Dehn Naval Air Station also spoke of the Chiefs meeting and that he thought a lot was accomplished at this meeting by all present.

Chief Henniss Egg Harbor City gave a brief outline what his department did for fire prevention week, Attend Church, Inspected schools, and awarded prizes to school children for essays, also held fire drill at schools.

Chief Hanselman Germania stated that his department went through the same procedure as other years, Held exercise in school and award prizes for essays.

Chief Budd Absecon reported that they attend and inspected the schools during this week.

Chief Yetter Ways Landing reported that there town is residential and not industrial and that they did not do much for that week,

Chief Ford Long port reported that they observe fire prevention year and not fire prevention week,

Chief Filling Pomona reported that he had the teachers in school hold programs for that week.

Chief Stuart Ventnor reported that they held drills in school, spoke to the children, and had them come to the fire house where they had movies for them for fire prevention, which he thinks is very educational.

The president then reported that the term of Comrade Eugene Wahle as a member of the Board of managers of the home expires this year, upon motion Eugene Wahle was nominated as a member to the board of managers to the home, And Chief Henry M. Phillips be nominated as a representative to the State Association, for the ensuing year, This Association then went on record to present the name of Eugene Wahle as a representative to the home and Chief Henry M. Phillips as Representative to the State association on the floor of the convention to be held in Trenton

Motion carried.

President Maurice Y. Royal then brought up the question of meeting every month in the year 1946, as was the routine of the association before the war, or meet four times a year as during the war. Upon motion made by Chief Henry W. Phillips and seconded by Chief Ford this association will meet each month. Motion carried.

The Secretary then read a letter from the New Jersey Fire Equipment Co. Upon motion letter received a filed.

The President then appointed Chief Yetter and Chief Stuart to audit the books of the County Association and Chief Yetter and Secretary Henry F. Heitz to audit the County Death Benefits books for the year 1945.

The Secretary then presented the following bills: \$50.00 Secretary's Salary and \$3.00 Postage. Upon motion bill to be paid. Motion carried.

The President then called on Mr. Heffner of the Cumberland County Firemen's Association. Mr. Heffner stated that he was glad to again be able to attend a meeting of this association, and that he brought some members with him. He then introduced Mr. Wood, Secretary of the Cumberland County Association and Mr. Dealer.

The President then called on Chief Lambert from Haddon Heights, Camden County. Chief Lambert said he enjoys the meetings of this association. He also spoke on Fire Prevention and said it should be observed every day in the year, not only for one week.

The President then called on Sheriff Harry Huffnagle of Atlantic County. The Sheriff said that the firemen from this county deserve a lot of credit for work done in the past, and hopes they continue the same in the future. He also stated he was glad to be able to attend this meeting.

Dr. Robert A. Elwood then wished every one of the association present a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, especially this year when peace has once more come.

The meeting then adjourned to meet January 16, 1946 at Egg Harbor City.

Attest,

Henry F. Heitz, Sec.