

Meeting called to order by President Johnson at 1935 hrs, at the Delaware State Fire School.

Members present were - President Johnson, Edwin Barlow, William Carrow, Allen Metheny, James Cabbage, Harry Warner, Clayton Yocum, John Bare, Allen Knight, John Fox, John Mitchell, Barry Beck, Frank King, Lynn Rodgers.

President Johnson introduced Jack Dalton, General Manager of Cellular Service Group, who addressed the meeting on mobile communications and the possibility to offer a cheaper rate for mobile phones use and also better service on equipment since a unit will be more feasibility located throughout the state.

President Johnson updated the meeting on Paramedic situation and again stated that Grover Ingle, Allen Metheny and William Gordy were appointed to represent the DVFA on State Committee for same. Problem in Sussex as to what hospital to place training in is being addressed, Metheny updated the committee on the Kent County situation, problem has surfaced with the City of Dover Paramedic Unit.

Harry Warner presented a draft of a letter to be sent to the Fire Prevention Commission on boundary disputes - letter approved by the meeting for sending to Commission.

James Cabbage reported on DVFA Legislative Orientation Committee and the progress they have made. Barry Beck alluded to the cost of Video tape presentation, approximately \$1,000 per minute.

President Johnson addressed the Hugo Relief and possibility of expressing our appreciation to all concerned for their assistance. Moved by John Fox (Mill Creek), seconded by John Bare (Frankford) to purchase aid in Battalion Chief for all who contributed to relief, motion withdrawn by both Fox and Bare. Moved by John Fox (Mill Creek) seconded by John Bare (Frankford) to prepare a resolution to all who contributed to Hugo Relief - so carried.

Moved by James Cabbage (Clayton), seconded by John Bare (Frankford) to endorse C. Bryan Bennett (Seaford) and Harvey Ryan (Holloway Terrace) as Past Presidents Emeritus of the DVFA - so carried.

Moved by James Cabbage (Clayton), seconded by John Bare (Frankford) to ascertain for certain if Rev Doughten is stepping down as DVFA Chaplain and if so, he be given a suitable presentation at the Convention - so carried.

Frank King mentioned a problem with some companies in regards to making their members pay for a portion of the employer's share, this is in conflict with the law and a ruling is being obtained from the Attorney General in this regards.

Invitation to Maryland Convention will be limited to Officers, Directors, Presidents of State Fire Chiefs, State Fire Police and State Ambulance Associations, this will be President Johnson's policy for attendance this year.

Allen Knight reported on Radon Project and all information has been distributed to those concerned.

Ed Barlow will check on Progress of Constitution and By-Laws revision.

Harry Warner alluded to fact no progress has been made on Long Term Planning.

Hal Barber reported on Mutual Relief meeting, held early this evening. Ambulance companies may join Mutual Relief.

Allen Knight presented a problem existing with the Fire Police being sworn in without necessary training, this situation will be turned over the State Fire Chief's Association.

Allen Metheny discussed problem of records retention. Moved James Cabbage (Clayton), seconded by John Bare (Frankford) that the auditor be asked for specific retention of records - so carried.

Treasurer directed to pay Memorial repair expenses from the Merrill Lynch funds of the DVFA.

John Mitchell reported on various legislation - CISM funding should be alright, Rescue Boats funding in need of approval for boats not certified, Epilog on \$20,000 contingency funding needs to be changed. Moved by John Fox (Mill Creek), seconded by John Bare (Frankford) to refer matter to Law & Legislative Committee for rewriting of epilog - so carried.

Moved by John Fox (Mill Creek), seconded by John Bare (Frankford) to bill Mutual Relief for 15% of Legislative Appreciation Night expenses - motion amended to include being retroactive to 1989, amendment voted upon and carried, Original motion, as amended, voted and carried.

Moved by John Fox (Mill Creek), seconded by John Bare (Frankford) to increase the Convention Secretary's salary to \$300 - so carried.

Moved by James Cabbage (Clayton), seconded by John Bare (Frankford) to adjourn - so carried.

Adjournment at 2235 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,


WILLIAM R. CARROW
SECRETARY