

Meeting was called to order by President George Diamond at 2100 hours in the Hartly Fire Station.

In Attendance - George Diamond, Elmer Steele, Harry Warner, William Carrow, Allen Metheny, James Cabbage, John Bare, Sohpie Dear, Robert Romig, Ed Barlow, David Paul, Raymond Blanchette, Cathy Morris, Alice Danner, Frances Denemoustier, Dick McCoy, Wally Evans, John Mitchell, William Matthews and Lawrence Mergenthaler.

William Matthews, Chairman Fire Prevention Committee, presented three items for consideration and also presented a total cost of fire prevention matching funds program for year 1991 to be \$112,553.44. several comments made on program and to use by DVFA.

Moved by James Cabbage (Clayton), seconded by Ed Barlow (Holloway Terrace) to indorse the Color Book Program for Fire Prevention Committee - so carried.

Moved by James Cabbage (Clayton), seconded by John Mitchell (Elsmere) to indorse the Calendar Program for fire prevention posters of the Fire Prevention Committee - so carried.

Moved by James Cabbage (Clayton), seconded by Allen Metheny (Hartly), to permit the DVFA logo to be used on fire prevention material by the Fire Prevention Committee - so carried.

Allen Metheny (Hartly) alluded to the fact we do not need the \$14,000 this year and he has a problem with asking for the increase if we don't need it.

CISM funds also discussed, state budge office questioning why \$13,000 for last year had not been used - money has been expended, vouchers need to be sent to Budget Office.

Harry Warner (Talleyville) discussed his company's fire prevention policy and discussion was held on various fire prevention programs and monies expended.

Harry Warner (Talleyville) questioned fire prevention funds and distribution of same - William Matthews (Aetna) stated old guidelines are given to all concerned and if any item is to cost over \$2,000 it should be gudgeted to the fire prevention committee. Proposed new guidelines have never been presented to DVFA.

Moved by Allen Metheny (Hartly), seconded by John Mitchell (Elsmere), that Chairman of the Fire Prevention Committee get a copy of the draft of proposed new guidelines to the DVFA Secretary so he can get copies to all officers for their review and a meeting of officers be held on March 1, 1992 before the Executive Committee meeting - so carried.

James Cabbage (Clayton) reported on proposed legislation presented by the Fire Marshal's Office reference to Engineering Section of that office, they ask that no action be taken by the DVFA at this point and time.

New Bingo Bill was discussed and John Mitchell advises that since DVFA is against a rise in the cap that most of the sponsors will not stay on the bill and it will not be introduced.

Moved by Ed Barlow (Holloway Terrace), seconded by Allen Metheny (Hartly) that the DVFA oppose HB 408 as it is written. Several comments on bill made by Cathy Morris, Pres Delaware Ambulance Assn, Allen Metheny and Ed Barlow. Voted taken - motion carried.

Moved by Allen Metheny (Hartly), seconded by John Mitchell (Elsmere), that John Mitchell be authorized to contact Bruce Ennis and have him draw up legislation for the protection of emergency service personnel - so carried.

Moved By Raymond Blanchette (Harrington), seconded by Robert Romig (Five Points), to have Ed Barlow ask that Fire Prevention Commission obtain a ruling from the Attorney General as to whether or not Ed McCormack is eligible for a third term on the Commission - so carried.

Allen Metheny, Treasurer, DVFA, reported on CD and interest rates on same, he is obtaining best interest rate possible. Further, discussed the non-function of some committees and the need to have some action taken. He further asked if Convention '91 had made a final report; Secretary Carrow informed him he had not received any financial report of Convention after making several comments, he further informed meeting if he has not received any report by Thursday, February 20, 1992 the minute book would go to press without the financial report.

Discussion also held on parade results by Judging organization, Bob Romig (Five Points) questioned why no results have not been received.

Allen Metheny (Hartly) questioned status of business cards for DVFA - Ray Krett (Goodwill) was to handle, Harry Warner will contact Krett for explanation.. Metheny also questioned status of Maryland State 100th Anniversary Parade in Frederick, Md in May - James Cabbage stated nothing has been firmed.

George Diamond gave a report on reimbursement to Walt Lamon for travelling that the DVFA Officers had decided upon at a previous meeting.

Allen Metheny also questioned of Executive Secretary and Long Term Planning Committee. Harry Warner stated his opinion on subjects and Ed Barlow also gave his opinion on same, as did Lawrence Mergenthaler.

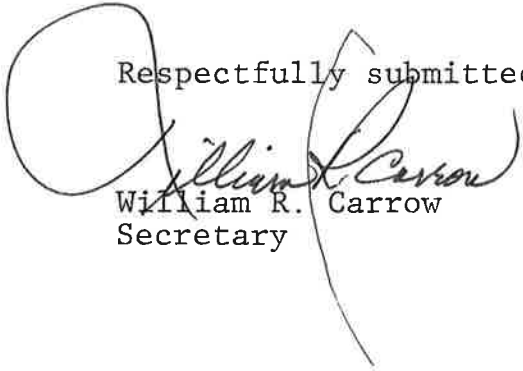
John Mitchell questioned status of Bartender Bill requiring training for same. Allen Metheny stated that if your licenses are for a gathering as oppost to a club licenses, it is not required. However, ABC is offering training at no cost to individual.

Secretary Carrow stated that minuted books would not be ready until middle of April.

Moved by Robert Romig (Five Points), seconded by John Bare (Frankford), to adjourn - so carried.

Adhiyrbnebt at 2245 hours,

Respectfully submitted,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "William R. Carrow". The signature is written over the typed name and title.

William R. Carrow
Secretary