## Colts Neck First Aid Squad Monthly Business Meeting March 12, 2019

#### Call to order:

• The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM by President Martha Leonhardt.

## Flag Salute/Invocation:

• The pledge of allegiance was recited, followed by a prayer.

### **Proposal/Election of New Members:**

• The membership committee proposed Sarah Ayden for membership. There was a motion to approve Sarah Aiden for membership by Jon Kopko, seconded by Jess Pridmore, followed by an all in favor vote. Sarah will be member #344. The committee will interview another prospective candidate, Ken Martin.

## **Reading of the Minutes:**

• The minutes for the February, 2019 meeting were read and accepted as is. There was a motion to approve the minutes by Jess Pridmore, seconded by Vicki Sherman, carried by an all in favor vote.

## **Report of the Treasurer:**

• The treasurer's report and bills were read. Ending book balance - \$37,694.05. Ruth asked whether new tablets were bought for all the rigs, Alex answered one new tablet was purchased for 8460 because the old 8460 did not have one. There was a motion to approve the report and bills by Steve Alaimo, seconded by Matt Alaimo, carried by an all in favor vote.

#### **Correspondence:**

• Gold Cross supplement made available to membership.

#### **Officer's Report:**

- Thanks to all those who helped for the E. Todd Murray and snow standbys.
- Please wash and restock rig after each call.
- Use only your key fob to enter the building. Using pin pad does not deactivate the alarm and is for emergency situations only
- Project Prom will be May 30<sup>th</sup>, raindate of May 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Memorial Day Parade is May 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Fireworks, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, Parking starts at 5PM. Setup July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5PM, Takedown, July 4 at 8AM. Look for email re: details.
- ID Cards, new or replacement, available at CNPD on March 14. New Chief, Paul Santucci, Frank Lecesse retiring. Whitney is CNFAS contact.

- Please text Martha or Alex every time the police restock from our supplies, 02 tanks, masks, etc. Alex & Team Life will keep track of AED pads and batteries.
- There have been some issues with calls at Brandywine. Brandywine has AEDs on site which should be used on any CPR calls there, however, remember that Patient care is always our primary concern. Squad will request that each Patient's paperwork be made readily accessible (DNRs, etc). Please share your thoughts with Alex.
- Please don't note a call as "emergency transport" on paperwork, be more specific.
- Trying to cut down on radio traffic so when leaving the hospital, call out as either "clear & available" or "not in service".

## **Chief Engineer's Report:**

• Rig Duty assignments for the month are:

8460- Denise Horneck

8461- Alex Pridmore

8462- Vicki Sherman

8464- Craig Sherman

4 new radios acquired. Each rig will have 2 portables.

## **Training Officer's Report:**

- Next drill date: March 26, 2018, at 7:00PM topic TBD.
- Awaiting status for core class.

#### Cadet Advisor's Report:

- Cadets drilled on use of the cot, ordering t-shirts/sweatshirts, and will be bowling on March 30<sup>th</sup> at Knob Hill Lanes in Manalapan, all invited. Trash pickup will be assigned by DPW and cadet squad has opportunity to earn more if an ambulance trails volunteers. Noni interested in senior squad**Trustee's Report:** 
  - None

## **Township Liaison Report:**

• None.

## **Reports of the Standing Committees:**

## Membership:

• Sarah Ayden approved. Garret Goldin, rising cadet, recommended by advisors. Nick following up on other potential candidates.

## Fund Drive/Ways & Means:

• \$32,071 collected in February, \$44,383 through end of February 2019.

## **Publicity:**

• None.

#### **Memorial/Sunshine:**

• Happy Birthday to Olivia, Jess & Debbie.

#### **Blood Drive:**

• None.

## **State & County First Aid Council:**

Cadet Competition June 7 & 8, contact Keyport Chief. CNFAS related social
media will be posted on State First Aid Council social media if submitted. Be
mindful of response times, volunteer squads being monitored. Squad will look
into Narcan drill where attendees provided free Narcan kit. Spring will be last
Gold Cross test since magazine will no longer be published.

#### **Dinner Committee:**

• Committee looking into several venues, any suggestions, text Danielle.

## **Budget:**

• None.

#### Rig:

• None

#### LOSAP:

None

#### **Bylaws:**

• None

#### Website:

None.

#### **Fair Committee:**

None

## **Nominating Committee:**

None

#### **Old Business:**

• Ruth submitted a written statement summarizing a point of order made at February meeting which was read aloud to the membership, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Craig made a motion for the President to address Ruth's points outside of the monthly meeting directly with Ruth. Vicki seconded the motion, 23 in favor, 2 opposed (Ruth & Mario), motion carried. (26 members present, 1 member ineligible to vote.)

#### **New Business:**

Chuck Fredda, one of the original drafters of the CNFAS Constitution, offered the following interpretation of the Eligibility for Office provisions of the Constitution:

By way of background, Chuck stated the position originally called Driver Only was created in the late 1980's or 1990's to allow some DPW employees to drive during the day when the Squad was shorthanded. Other than driving they had almost nothing to do with the squad.

# 3 was designed to exclude Drivers Only from offices that require EMT knowledge. Dan has been an EMT who has not yet recertified and has that knowledge. #3 was directed at those Drivers Only who did nothing but drive. It was never intended to exclude a Life Member with EMT skills and a long history with the squad.

Since #3 does not specifically deny the VP office, the Nominating Committee relied on #5 since Dan is a life member not on suspension who has been an EMT and has EMT knowledge.

## Sections in question currently read:

- F. Eligibility for Office
- 3. Regular and life members who are drivers but not EMTs are eligible for the offices of treasurer, assistant secretary-treasurer, chief engineer, secretary, chaplain, historian, and sergeant-at-arms.
- 5. Any regular, life, or administrative member not on probation, not on leave of absence (including college leave), and not on suspension is eligible to hold office.

To clarify the Constitution, Chuck Fredda then submitted the following amendment to Section F3 of the Constitution, which was submitted in writing and read aloud to the membership, as follows:

3. Regular and life members who are drivers <u>and have never been an EMT</u> are <u>only</u> eligible for the office of treasurer, assistant secretary treasurer, chief engineer, secretary, chaplain, historian, and sergeant at arms.

and Chuck moved that that Dan remain as Acting VP until the proposed amendment is voted on. Nick Nuzzo seconded the motion. 24 in favor, 1 opposed (Ruth) motion carried.

#### **Adjournment:**

• There was a motion for adjournment at 8:38 PM by Nick Nuzzo, seconded by Greg Williams, carried by an all in favor vote.

# **EXHIBIT A**