



Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting

Empress Banquets in Addison

February 6, 2020

- 1. Call to Order-** Meeting was called to order by President Styczynski at 1155 hours. Chief Styczynski noted that a quorum was present as defined in the by-laws.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence-** President Styczynski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introduction of Guests- President Styczynski went around to each table in the room to see if anyone wanted to introduce any guests. The following guests were introduced: Tracy and Ed from Medline, Warrenville Chief Rogers introduced his new pension trustee, Eric from Northern Illinois Fire Sprinkler Board, Chief Dan Reda from Blue Island and Chief Christian introduced and welcomed the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief from Freeport.

3. Secretary's Report- Chief Riley had no report.

4. Treasurer's Report- Treasure Deegan presented the treasure report dated 2/4/2020, the ending balance was **\$57,350.17**. There were no questions nor additional discussion regarding report. Motion was made by Chief Nord (Lyons) and Second by Chief Kiser (North Riverside) to accept as presented and motion passed Unanimously.

5. Approval of the Treasurer's Report- Treasure Deegan gave an update on the 2020 budget, he spoke about the higher cost last year year for the December luncheon. No other questions or concerns. 1st Vice-President Wilson made a motion to approve and was Second by Jeff Swanson to approve the 2020 budget as presented and unanimously approved by a voice vote.

6. President's report- President Styczynski discussed that Chief Leone from Addison retired to take a Chief's position in Florida. Chief Leone was the 1st Vice-President, that position has now been filled by 2nd Vice- President Wilson. There was discussion regarding to fill the 2nd Vice-President position or to leave it open. It was decided by President Styczynski to fill the 2nd Vice-President with Chief Kuryla from Berkeley. This now leaves a vacancy position for a Director. If anyone wants to fill this position or if you know of anyone that would like to fill this please let the President know.

Meeting dates for 2020 have been set, they will be posted on the website. We have added back in the May meeting, we feel that we need to have this meeting due to numerous items of business.

7. Committee Reports

- a. **Administrative Professionals Recognition Luncheon** – President Stycznski updated that this luncheon will be on April 9th at Medinah, more to come on this soon.
- b. **Audit Report**–Director Kuryla updated that the audit was conducted with Director Swanson and Treasure Deegan on January 29th. There are no issues to report.
- c. **Bylaws** – Nothing to report
- d. **Directory/Website** – Nothing to report.
- e. **Fundraising** –Nothing to report
- f. **Home Day** – Treasurer Tom Deegan- No date has been set.
- g. **IFCA/ Legislation** –Director Christian advised that they had a conference call two weeks ago, things are starting to ramp up, several bills will be presented, more to come.

Director Christian spoke on the tollway issues, this has been ongoing for 3 years now, All employees are new so it is like starting from scratch.

GEMT- still working towards this but has not heard of anything lately.

Fire Service Legislative date is set for March 18th, 2020. Hope to see everyone down for this.

Small Equipment grant is still open until February 29th, 2020.

- h. **Programs**- No report.
- i. **Sick & Welfare** –Chief Arie from Barrington has retired.
- j. **Symposium**- Chief Evans and Retired Chief Wax advised that the registration was on the tables today, it will also be on the website but this is scheduled for March 5th, 2020.

8. Association Reports

- a. **IFCA** –No report
- b. **IFCA Foundation** –Jeff Swanson discussed that there will be four functions this year, the 1st will be the fishing tournament, there was discussion that some members did not like the early fishing tournament, so they will also be having an afternoon fishing tournament to accomdate this. 2nd there will be a Spring Sporting Clay Shooting event. Must have a valid FOID card to shoot. 3rd will be the annual golf outing at the same location in Lemont, this event will be held on July 8th and 4th will be a blood drive with Lifesource, they have an MOU with them. If interested you can contact Lifesource direct at 877-25-VITAL.

- c. **MABAS-IL** –No report
 - d. **Great Lakes Division** – No report
 - e. **County Chiefs' Associations** – Chief Kuryla advised that they are some remaining funds from this group and he is going to reach out to other President's from Cook County to see what they should do with thesee funds. Ideas were to donate it to Burn Camp or some other organization.
 - f. **Other, if any** – None
- 12. **Unfinished Business** – None Reported
 - 13. **Agenda of Business** - None Reported
 - 14. **New Business** –None Reported
 - 15. **Good & Welfare of the Association** – None to report
 - 16. **Adjournment** -Chief Christian made a motion to adjourn the business meeting. The motion was seconded by 2nd Vice-President Kuryla and was unanimously approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven W. Riley

Secretary

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