

SARATOGA COUNTY FIREMATIC OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION

Stan De Long
President

Don Baldwin
Secretary

Russel DeRidder
Vice President

William Mehen
Treasurer

Meeting called to Order at 20:03

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief/Chaplain Mahar

PRAYER was prior to dinner by Chief / Chaplain Mahar

ROLL CALL: 15 agencies represented

President Stan De Long	(P)
Vice-President Russ DeRidder	(P)
Secretary Don Baldwin	(E)
Treasurer Bill Mehen	(P)

Reading of the October minutes.

Motion to accept as read and 2nd No further discussion, motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Treasurer's Report: Bill Mehen presented the treasurer's report.

Motion to accept by Vischer Ferry, 2nd by Burnt Hills, Motion Carried

County Fire Advisory Board:

No representative, I read the minutes of the November meeting.

Fire Coordinator's Report & Training: Ed Tremblay

Truck & Ladder Company class will be offered sometime between now and summer.

SARATOGA COUNTY FIREMATIC OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION

Seeking persons interested in event training – teach awareness classes. Send an e-mail to Fire Coordinator Ed Tremblay at etremblay@saratogacountyny.gov

Fire Academy will be training selected instructors for skills / EMS skills that pertain to firefighter course.

Deputy Fire Coordinators will be reaching out to their respective fire agencies to inquire what radios and number of radios agencies have. (VHF High Band), Ed spoke briefly, goal is to determine who has access to high band (EMS 715 / EMS Ops) in the event the 800 Mhz system

goes down, agencies will be able to communicate amongst themselves on the 800 Mhz ground channels.

EMS Council / EMS Coordinator: EMS Coordinator Mike McEvoy

Mike spoke about some recent confusion amongst EMS agencies responding to standby in proximity to a SWAT / ERT response. An ALS ambulance is dispatched to standby. If the NYSP and or the Saratoga County Sheriff's Department is involved, before any team makes an entry, a REMO Physician is to be on scene, then that physician is part of the entry team. The doctor will size up any patient scene and request resources as needed.

Mike also spoke about the recent change proposal for priority 1 bravo responses. After some research, it was decided that priority 1 bravo calls could be changed to a priority 2 response. During discussions and a projected date, there was resistance by two southern fire departments and cited various reasons, so, to sum it up, the change will continue and fire departments that participate in the medical assist program will continue to be dispatched to priority 2 (bravo) calls until such time the new Tri-Tech program goes live and adjustments can be made agency specific. Mike further explained the change is to make a safer response for all.

Emergency Services: No report brought forward

Sheriff's Office: Not present.

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Special Committees:

- Bill Mehen report: Hudson-Mohawk will meet in Hudson on January 17, 2019
Hudson-Valley will meet in Kingston at the Best Western on January 26, 2019
Bingo will be at the Firemen's Home on December 1th
FASNY – Now is the time to apply for the following;
 - Firefighter of the Year
 - EMS provider of the Year
 - Youth Group
 - Teacher / Instructor of the Year
 - Fire Safety Educator of the Year
 - Recruitment and Retention
 - Youth Mentor
 - Fire Service Community Achievement
- Dinner Meeting Committee – no updated report
- Rehab Committee – Mike McEvoy
In the draft stage, will be scheduling a committee meeting in near future to fine tune the draft and move forward.

By-Law Committee: There are no additions/deletions proposed currently.

Election of Officers: No opposition of the slated officers presented.

Directors: Bob Wood, Jeri Mehen, Les Bonesteel, Phil Brousseau and Jay Ellsworth.

Treasurer: Bill Mehen

Secretary: Don Baldwin

Vice-President: Russel DeRidder

President: Stan De Long

There was no opposition from the floor – a motion to accept the named slate of officer's for the 2019 calendar year was made by Burnt Hills, 2nd by Arvin Hart. Motion carried.

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Old Business:

I met with Director Gordon days after the October meeting to discuss the concerns about the "low volume" complaints via dispatch. Director Gordon was going to address the matter with the desk sergeant's. Director Gordon asks that if an agency is having a low volume issue during paging or on a talk group channel, contact the desk sergeant after the call to address the matter. The desk sergeant will then try and correct the issue with the radio console involved.

New Business: No new business brought before the membership.

Swearing in of the 2019 Officers. I called upon and introduced the Honorable Timothy Brown, Milton own Justice to swear in the elected officers of the association for 2019.

Good & Welfare: Mentioned in prayer by the Chaplain

Agency Report:

50/50 Raffle: Winner Ed Petkus, Middle Grove FD. \$70.00

I thanked Chief Mahar for his work in making this evenings dinner possible and I thanked the staff from Panza's for their service and a fine meal presented to the membership and guests.

Motion to Adjourn by Vischer Ferry, 2nd by Middle Grove, no opposition, motion carried, Meeting adjourned at 2031 hours.

The floor was turned over to Tom McKinney, FASNY Trustee. Tom gave a presentation about the NYS Firemen's Home located in Hudson, New York.

(Tom can be reached at t.mck@hotmail.com or 518-361-4494)

Minutes recorded and respectfully submitted by
Stan J De Long, Association President.
12/27/2018



Have a Safe
Joyous Holiday!

Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association
Roll Call

Arvin Hart	P	Malta Ridge	P
Ballston Lake	A	Mechanicville	P
Ballston Spa	P	Northside	A
Burnt Hills	P	Providence	A
Charlton	A	Quaker Springs	A
Clifton Park	A	Rexford	A
Corinth	A	Rock City Falls	A
Edinburg	A	Round Lake	P
Galway	P	Saratoga Springs	P
Gansevoort	P	Schuylerville	A
Greenfield Center	A	South Glens Falls	A
Porter Corners	A	Stillwater	P
Middlegrove	P	Victory Mills	A
Maple Avenue	A	Vischer Ferry	P
Luzerne-Hadley	A	Waterford	A
Halfmoon-Waterford	A	West Charlton	A
Harmony Corners	P	West Crescent	P
Hillcrest	P	Wilton	A
Jonesville	A		
		MacBoston 18 Truck	A

**SARATOGA COUNTY FIREMATIC OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION
TREASURER REPORT**

CHECKING ACCOUNT

BALLSTON SPA NATIONAL BANK

8/11/18
date

Balance	\$ <u>5747.72</u>
Income	\$ <u>21.97</u>
Total.....	\$ <u>5769.69</u>
Disbursements.....	\$ <u>250.00</u>
Bank Fee	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Balance.....	\$ <u>5519.69</u>

12/14/18
date

Prepared and Submitted by:

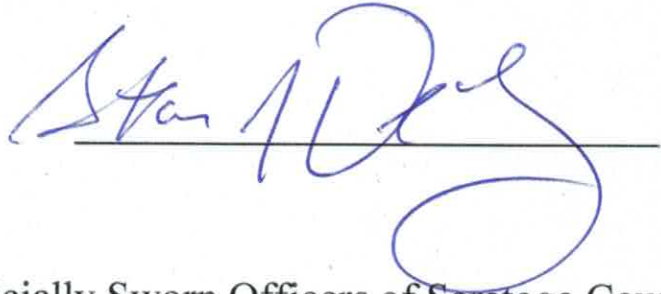
William M. Mehan

William M. Mehan
Treasurer


Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association
Ballston Spa, New York

Oath of Office

I, **Stan DeLong**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.



Congratulations You are Now Officially Sworn Officers of Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association for the 2019 calendar year.



Honorable Timothy M. Brown
Milton Town Justice

Saratoga County Firematic Officers Assoc.
Stan DeLong - President
Ballston Spa Fire Department

Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association
Ballston Spa, New York


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I, **Russell DeRidder**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Russell DeRidder", written over a horizontal line.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Timothy M. Brown", written over a horizontal line. To the right of the signature is the date "12/14/18".

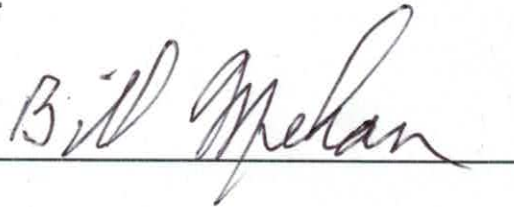
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Milton Town Justice

Saratoga County Firematic Officers Assoc.
Russell DeRidder - Vice President
Galway Fire Department


Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association
Ballston Spa, New York

Oath of Office

I, **Bill Mehan**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.



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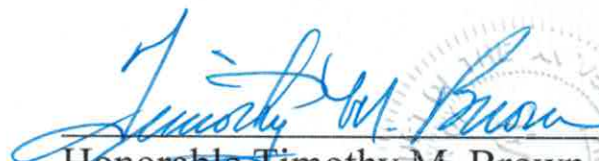
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Bill Mehan - Treasurer
Stillwater Fire Department

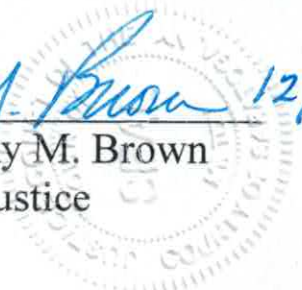
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Ballston Spa, New York

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I, **Don Baldwin**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.

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Honorable Timothy M. Brown
Milton Town Justice



Saratoga County Firematic Officers Assoc.
Don Baldwin - Secretary
Waterford Fire Department

Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association
Ballston Spa, New York

Oath of Office

I, **Phil Brousseau**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.

Phil Brousseau

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Timothy M. Brown 12/4/18
Honorable Timothy M. Brown
Milton Town Justice

Saratoga County Firematic Officers Assoc.
Phil Brousseau - Director
Vischer Ferry Fire Department

Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association
Ballston Spa, New York

Oath of Office

I, **Les Bonesteel**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.



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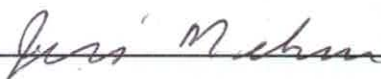
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Milton Town Justice

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Les Bonesteel - Director
Burnt Hills Fire Department


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Ballston Spa, New York

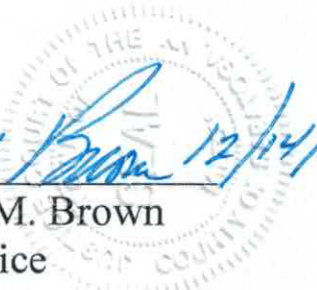
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I, **Jeri Mehan**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.



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Honorable Timothy M. Brown
Milton Town Justice



Saratoga County Firematic Officers Assoc.
Jeri Mehan - Director
Stillwater Fire Department


Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association
Ballston Spa, New York

Oath of Office


I, **Jay Ellsworth**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.



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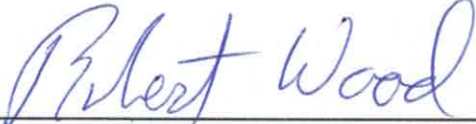


Saratoga County Firematic Officers Assoc.
Jay Ellsworth - Director
Middle Grove Fire Company
Greenfield Fire District


Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association
Ballston Spa, New York

Oath of Office

I, **Bob Wood**, do solemnly swear to do my duty as an Officer of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, of Ballston Spa, County of Saratoga, New York, to uphold and support the constitution and by-laws of the Saratoga County Firematic Officer's Association, the Constitution of the State of New York and of the United States of America, to the best of my ability; so help me God.



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Milton Town Justice

Saratoga County Firematic Officers Assoc.
Bob Wood - Director
Arvin Hart Fire Department

SARATOGA COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2018
7:00 pm
Representatives:

William Crawford (E)	T/O Ballston
Aaron Dyer (A)	T/O Charlton
Ken Graves (A)	T/O Clifton Park
Chuck Pasquarell (E)	T/O Corinth
Alex Rockwell (E)	T/O Edinburg
Kevin Barkley (A)	T/O Galway
Stephanie Burwell (A)	T/O Greenfield
Douglas Dutcher (A)	T/O Hadley
Art Hunsinger	T/O Halfmoon
Joe Plewinski	T/O Malta
James Corrigan Jr. (A)	C/O Mechanicville
William Lewis (E)	T/O Milton
Don Ranck	T/O Moreau
Thomas Wood	T/O Northumberland
David Houston	T/O Providence
Peter Shaw	C/O Saratoga Springs
Rick Drew (A)	T/O Saratoga
Tom Rinaldi	T/O Stillwater
David Gardner (A)	T/O Waterford
William Morgan	T/O Wilton
Ed Tremblay	Emergency Services
Carl Zeilman (A)	Emergency Services
Steve Gordon (A)	Sheriff's Office
Stan Delong SCFOA	Guest
Jay Ellsworth – Greenfield Fire	Guest
Brandon Ray – Greenfield Fire	Guest

Chairman Plewinski called the meeting to order.

The pledge was said and a moment of silence was observed for fallen brethren.

Tom Rinaldi made a motion to accept the October minutes as written, seconded by Tom Wood, unanimous.

Director Information – no information to report

Fire Coordinator – Classes:

Pump Ops – finished with 17

BEFO – Burnt Hills - 26 attending, class will continue into Interior Fire Operations once dates are determined

Bus Rescue – Galway - 11/28

BEFO/IFO – Porter Corners - 1/2/19

Tactical Fire Ground Operations – Greenfield – 12/3/18

West Crescent – 1/21/19

A meeting is scheduled on the 13th to go over/schedule upcoming classes for winter/spring.

I recently attended the Regional Fire Administrators Conference at the Fire Academy – highlights;

- in the process of certifying instructors for Fire Office 1 to teach modules and classes
- working on moving Fire Officer 1 Skills Instructors to State Fire Instructors
- the water training facility is going well, closed for the winter

Sheriff's Department information – no information to report

Chairman – I will be following up with Mike McEvoy regarding rehab protocol.

Vice Chairman – no information to report

Hazmat Committee – no information to report

Mutual Aid – no information to report

Personnel Committee – no information to report

Fire Training Center – no information to report

Legislative Committee – No movement on bills relating to the fire service.

The Issues of United Concern meeting is on December 8th in Troy, where all of the fire service organizations come together to review their legislative agendas for the upcoming year.

Budget Committee – no information to report

Rehab Committee – no information to report

Radio Committee – no information to report

Ed – I will be distributing high band radios purchased with Homeland Security grant funds to be used as backup if the 800 radio system goes down.

Recruitment and Retention – Survey responses are still being accepted.

Old Business – no old business to discuss

New Business – Letters went out to Supervisors regarding appointments of representatives for the next term, starting 1/1/19.

Guests – Stan – Forest Ranger s Tony Goetke & Joe Hess spoke in a round table format about their duties and what resources they can offer for brush fires, lost/missing hunters or reported illegal burns.

The next Firematic Fire Officers Association meeting will be December 14th 6 pm at Panzas Restaurant.

Good and Welfare – Stephanie Burwell is stepping down as the Greenfield Representative and Brandon Ray will replace her pending Supervisor approval.

A unanimous decision was made that due to the holiday season falling on Tuesday, there will be no December meeting.

The next meeting will be Monday January 28, 2019, 7 pm at the FTC, unanimous.

Art Hunsinger made a motion to close the meeting and enter into an Executive Session at 7:23, seconded by Tom Rinaldi, unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Cook
Saratoga County Office of Emergency Services