

Newsletter July 2021

Convention Meeting Results

The Association was finally able to conduct a Convention General Meeting with the restrictions being lifted from COVID-19. The meeting was held at the Central Joint Fire District in Portage Ohio on June 19th. It has been designated as the 147th Convention Meeting. 34 members attended the meeting with 24 registering as Delegates for the voting.

Voting Results:

Eric Arquette, President - Gibsonburg
Louie Snyder, 1st Vice President - Clyde
Jerry McKinney, 2nd Vice President - Vermilion
Charlie Horne, Treasurer - Green Springs
Tim Schroeder, Secretary - Bowling Green
Keith Feeney, Assistant Secretary, Perrysburg Township
Doug Ebright, Board of Directors - Central Joint
Mark Wilhelm, Board of Directors - Put In Bay

Preconvention - Put In Bay FD - Ottawa County
Antique Fire Muster - Liberty Washington Township FD - Henry County
Fun Day / Golf - Clyde FD - Sandusky County

Per our bylaws Dave Miller, Past President, Woodville Township was appointed to the position of Chairman of the Board. Due to the passing of Board Director Jim Tansey, Steve Meller, Gorham Fayette was appointed to serve as Jim's replacement for the rest of his term. (1 year)

We are asking for departments to host our Hose Bowling Tournament, Convention, and Softball Tournament. Please contact any of the officers or directors if your department is interested.

By Laws Amendments

Both By-laws Amendments on the ballot have been approved.

Article IV - Section 3

It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to meet within <u>45</u> days after the close of the annual Conference for the purpose of disposing of such business as may have been referred to it by the Conference. Said Board is also empowered to meet upon request of a majority of its members, at such time and place as the President may designate.

Article XII - Section 3

All departments that have become delinquent over thirty (30) days after <u>January 1</u> of any dues paying year shall be withdrawn from the Charity Fund Roster. If at any later date this department wished to rejoin the Charity Fund, they shall pay the same as a new department joining the fund. Dues are due <u>January 1</u>, of each year, and a notice that dues are due and a roster blank will be mailed to each department by the Association Secretary. All checks for the Charity Fund shall be sent to the Association Secretary of the Northwestern Ohio Volunteer Firemen's Association, Inc.

Charity Fund Treasurer

The association is in need for a new Charity Fund Treasurer. This position is appointed by the Executive Board of the Association. The Charity Fund Treasurer is in charge of the fund's financial accounts. Interested persons can contact any of the Directors for more information.

NOVFA Fire School

In September the on-line training sessions will resume. The training information can be found on the Northwestern Ohio Volunteer Firemen's Association Fire School Facebook Page. CEU's are offered on completion of the training.

The 2022 Regional Fire School at the Penta Career Center will be held on March 12 and 13, 2022. The committee has been working on setting up the training and will be meeting on July 19th at 6:30 pm to continue the planning.

Rick Arquette

The Officers and Directors would like to thank Rick Arquette for his service to the Association. Rick served as our Association Treasurer for many years and then agreed to his appointment as a Director due to changes caused by the pandemic.

Post Convention Meeting

President Arquette has called for the meeting on July 22nd at the Gibsonburg Fire Department. The meeting will start at 6:30 pm. Hosts for 2022 Events are asked to attend the meeting or send information on the events dates that they are hosting.

2021 Softball Tournament

The Springfield Township Fire Department is hosting the games on August 7th & 8th at their Community Homecoming Park (7807 Angola Rd Holland, Ohio 43528). Please see our website for more information.