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## VERNON VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION INC

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### ***BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING***

January 30, 2017

Present: Andresen, Babcock, R. Bowman, Carpenter, Eppler, Fisher, Galley, Gauthier, Lafontaine, King, Levasseur, Lucas, Muniz, Prue, Dan Robertson, Shepard, Solito, Tautic, Tuttle, Turkington

The meeting was called to order at 18:31 p.m. by President, Robert Turkington.

#### ***Treasurer's Report***

- Final 2016 income/expenses were reviewed by David Galley, Treasurer. 2016 income was \$13,413 and expenses were \$13,543. Income included a \$2,405 profit from the Comedy Show, \$465 Friendlies Fundraiser, and \$1,000 profit from the New York City Trip. The Liability Insurance premium was \$2,809. 12/31/16 checkbook balance was \$17,962. Toys for Tikes Ameriprise year-end balance was \$30,564, checkbook \$6,764.
- The First Quarter 2017 Report reflects income of \$717 and expenses of \$830. Checkbook balance as of 1/30/17 is \$17,762. Toys for Tikes Ameriprise Accounts show a balance of \$31,025 and checkbook of \$6,764.

Motion was made/seconded (Shepard/Solito) to accept the Treasurer Reports.

#### ***Communications & Bills:***

- Thank you cards were received from Chris Prue and Scott Shepard for baskets sent following their surgeries.

#### ***Good & Welfare:***

- Dick Bowman reported 2016 activity:
  - 4 cemeteries were visited.
  - 38 new flags were distributed.
  - 7 grave markers were placed.
  - Approximately 19 flowers/memorial gifts were made.
  - The allocation for flowers/gifts was increased by the Association from \$50 to \$75.

***Toys for Tikes:***

- In 2016 we delivered toys to 320 children from 170 families.

***Charitable Funds Committee:***

- A \$100 donation was made to RHS Project Graduation...

***Department Gala:***

- The 2017 party will be hosted by T-541. It will be held on March 4, 2017 at the Rockville Elks Lodge beginning at 18:30. Additional information will follow.

***Comedy Show:***

- We are not sure if there will be a 2017 show. This will be discussed at the Association Meeting.

***Bus Trip:***

- The BOD members agreed the NYC trip last June was a huge success. Dan Robertson is willing to coordinate again and it was suggested that maybe the next trip could be to Boston. We'll discuss a 2017 trip at the Association Meeting.

***Picnic:*** TBD

***Department Golf Tournament:*** TBD

***Old Business:***

- A letter had been received last year from the C.E.R.T. Team thanking Steve Augustus for training support. They also included a \$100 donation. Unfortunately the envelope was misplaced and recently found. Bob will contact Al Sheridan and extend an apology for the oversight.

***New Business:***

- The Chief Bobby Halton seminar on leadership and attitudes in the fire service will be held on February 12<sup>th</sup> at the Ellington Senior Center. Donations will be accepted for the National Fallen Firefighters. Dave Galley was asked to accept the cash donations from this seminar and issue a check to the charity. He will work with Chief Eppler on the transaction. V.P. Cory LaFontaine may attend to assist with the donations; however, the other Association Officers are not available.
- Jean Gauthier discussed the memory brick walkway planned for around the Public Safety Complex flag pole. A landscaper is needed and a possible Eagle Scout project could be included in the work. Dave Galley will make contact with a landscaper for assistance. He'll report back to Jean on feasibility. The price of the brick is \$20 and it is suggested to sell for \$40. Jean will discuss at the Association Meeting.

***Upcoming Event:***

- ET-541 Mother's Day Flower Sales on May 12, 13 & 14.

***Good & Well Being: None***

Motion was made/seconded (Solito/Galley) to adjourn the meeting at 19:00.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane Carpenter". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted,".

Diane Carpenter, Secretary