



VERNON VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION INC

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ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

June 1, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Robert Kelley. Motion was made/seconded (Talty/Johnston) to accept the minutes from the March 29, 2010 Association Meeting.

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Treasurer's Report: No Report.

Communications & Bills: There was nothing to report.

Good & Welfare:

- Dick Bowman reported that flags & markers were placed at the cemeteries for Memorial Day. Supplies are diminishing and need to be re-stocked. He informed that the red fire dept. flags currently being used are not holding up well (color fades very quickly). It was suggested that we use U.S. Flags instead along with the fire dept. marker. Motion was made/seconded (Colt/Eppler) to investigate prices and order supplies based on the committee's findings.

Toy Program:

- Toys for the 2010 drive have been ordered.
- As follow-up to the March meeting, a contest was held to change the name for our Toy Program. Three submissions were received; however, two of the suggestions were very long. Diane Carpenter suggested "Vernon Firefighters Toys for Tikes". There were no Google conflicts with "Tikes". The Board of Directors endorsed the new title. Tickets to the Christmas Party were declined. It was also discussed that the checkbook and any accounts/documents reflecting the Toys for Tots name be changed to reflect the new name and further separate us from the Marine Corps copyrighted name.

Christmas Party:

- R-441 will host the 2010 event. A facility needs to be booked soon.

Annual Banquet:

- ET-541 will host the 2011 event. Georgina's in Bolton has been reserved for Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 6:00 – 11:00 p.m.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- As a result of the Annual Banquet discussion from the March meeting, the Board of Directors met on 4-12-10 to review changes to the event.

It was agreed by all present at that meeting to pursue the following for future Banquet Events:

- A facility will be sought that will be large enough to accommodate the fire dept. membership and one guest.
- A formal/professional format will be conducted where the Chief and Executive Board Members will present awards. Gag presentations will be reduced.
- In an attempt to keep the expense reasonable and affordable for all to attend, a social hour with appetizers/finger foods will be investigated in place of a full dinner.

Dave Goric noted that the Banquet Budget may want to be reviewed/amended based on the potential of more attendees and keeping the ticket price reasonable. The committee will need to investigate pricing for the event and advise prior to the setting of next year's budget.

Upcoming Events:

- Department Golf Tournament – September 12th. More details to follow.
- Station 241 Golf Tournament - June 19th @ Topstone Golf Course - \$125 p/person with Vernon Police Dept. members.

Good & Welfare:

Motion was made/seconded (Robertson/Talty) to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Carpenter, Secretary