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ASSOCIATION MEETING

June 1, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Vice President, William Graugard. Motion was made/seconded (Robertson/Lavoie) to accept the minutes from the January 31, 2011 Association Meeting.

- David Galley reported the 2nd Quarter report. Total Expenses during the quarter were \$3,662; Income was \$161 for a check book balance of \$9,098 as of 5/31/2011. The certificate balance is \$3,126. The Toys for Tikes Ameriprise balance is \$21,255, and the checkbook balance is \$2,771. Motion was made/seconded (Johnston/Lavoie) to accept the report.

Communications & Bills:

- Dave Goric requested a donation be made to the Rockville Library in the amount of \$100. The motion was seconded by Dana Robertson. Motion carried.

As a reminder, requests for funding need to come to the Board of Directors meeting first.

Good & Welfare:

- Dick Bowman reported that approximately 40 American Flags and 5 grave markers were placed at the graves of deceased members for Memorial Day. The flags were provided by the town.

Toys For Tikes:

- Toys have been purchased for this year's drive. Delivery is scheduled for Monday, December 19th.

Christmas Party:

- The 2011 party will be held on December 4th at Georgina's. It is being sponsored by ET-241.

Annual Banquet:

- ET-541 reported on the 2011 event. 175 people attended the event. The invitation of spouses/guests and a more professional format was a success. It was suggested that the presentation of new officers & pinning ceremony occur earlier in the evening schedule.

- The 2012 Banquet will be hosted by ET-441.

Chief Kelley Memorial Committee:

- Discussion on best placement of the bench is ongoing.

Old Business:

- Brian Johnston discussed the working fund allowed for the Annual Banquet. In view of the larger attendance at a nicer facility and mutual aid coverage, it was suggested that the fund be increased to \$1,000.
- Dave Goric suggested modifying to a formula that is a % of expense instead of a flat amount to allow funds to cover these expenses. It was also recommended that the chief receive a maximum head count of 12 to work with in the future.
- Brian withdrew his motion so the topic can be discussed further for the August Meeting.
- Another fund raiser may need to be considered.

New Business:

- Brian Johnston informed of a child in town who he has a connection with through soccer that has been diagnosed with brain cancer. More information regarding a fundraiser will follow.

Upcoming Events:

- A miniature Golf Tournament sponsored by March Insurance is being planned for June 4th from 10-12.
- Spaghetti Supper to be held at Trinity Lutheran Church has been scheduled for June 4th.

Good & Welfare: None

Motion was made/seconded (Johnston/Lavoie) to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Carpenter, Secretary