

Minutes of the July 24th 2014 U.P. Fire Chiefs

1. Meeting called to order by Chief Malone at 1003 hours in Quinnesec.
2. Pledge of Allegiance said aloud and the Fireman's prayer.
3. Roll call of board members:
 - a. President Malone X
 - b. Vice President Yon X
 - c. Sec/Treasurer Seppala X
 - d. Trustee Koski X
 - e. Trustee Van Dorn X
4. Introduction of guests: Paul Wayco NVFC, LT. Christine Grabowski MSP, Patrick Segal Med Flight, Les, Blaine, John & Jim MSFA, Joe, Valerie & Dan, OFFT
5. Approval of agenda: Approved
6. Minutes of the April 2014 meeting, Motion by Sagola Twp to accept with support from Spaulding Twp, all in favor.
7. Treasurers report: Motion by Marquette Twp to accept as presented with support from Crystal Falls, all in favor.
8. Communications: OFFT will be covered in reports.
9. Unfinished business: None
10. New business: None
11. Reports:
 - a. Fire Marshal report: Rich could not attend see Joe's report
 - b. OFFT: Joe Grutza spoke of the 6% service fee on fireworks going to the training fund and 1M has been appropriated to the 2015 fiscal year. Handed out a flyer on key points of HB5313 and an interpretation formula based on County size and population. A minimum of \$5000.00 to all Counties. Clarified it can be used toward other training classes. Joe will be retiring September 12th.
 - c. Fire Fighter Training Division: Dan Hammerberg stated they are going over the training curriculum, IFTSA 6 or Jones & Bartlet 3 can be used. Dan will come to county training committee meetings if need be. Stressed using MTA & MML contacts to voice concerns for the fire service.
 - d. MSFA: Paul Wayco introduced the current board members; spoke about the upcoming memorial service and events. Spoke about fire school. MSFA has flags for sale and statues. Jim Rose talked about the annual conference and mention to get names in of deceased members for the memorial service.
 - e. NVFC: Paul Wayco talked about AFG grants and SAFER grants, that there is 340 million allocated. HR3747 supports 360 million.

12. Comments:

- a. Ted Finco asked for a round of applause for Joe Grutza and all he has done for us during his tenure.
 - b. LT Grabowski laid down the law and told us to have fun.
 - c. Patrick Segal spoke about MED FLIGHT and an upcoming LZ training.
 - d. Al DaGostino Fire Apparatus dealer brought an Ariel for display and a ladder tool for demonstration.
 - e. Chief Malone thanked Chief Iverson for hosting this year's tournament.
 - f. Chief Iverson welcomed everyone to the tournament.
 - g. JJ talked about the shuttle bus service available during the tournament.
 - h. Les Rodwell MSFA talked about the Arson prevention committee had given out \$12,000.00 in reward money this past year. Mentioned the September arson school and juvenile fire setter program. He has coloring books available and information on the MAP fire investigation school available on MI-TRAIN.
 - i. Van Dorn said to be safe, Malone-ditto, Seppala-have fun, Yon will be a good show tonight, Chief Iverson asked to use port-a-potties available and cans provided for cigarette butts.
13. Next Meeting, fall meeting will be at WEST IRON FD in Iron River, Saturday September 27th at 1000 hours CST.
14. Motion by Sagola Twp to adjourn with support from Crystal Falls at 1114 hours, all where in favor.