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Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors – September 12, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chief Emanuel at 0804 hours Virtually.

Members present: Chiefs Emanuel, Watkins, Hunter, Chamberlain, Fraitzl, LaRoche, Wheatley and ED Lemire. Adam Schmidt joined us also.

Minutes of previous meeting: Distributed for meeting. A MOTION (Chamberlain/Wheatley) to accept the August meeting minutes carried unanimously.

Financial Reports: Distributed via email. A MOTION (Watkins/Fraitzl) to approve the August financials carried unanimously.

Correspondence: ED Lemire spoke of the IRS approval letter

Life Membership: n/a

Government Relations: (Schmidt)

- One hundred bill titles have been filed.
- He mentioned the ambulance billing survey and what will be happening.

Report of the President (Emanuel)

- He participated in the quarterly DOS call with all agency heads on Monday.
- He received an invitation from the Director of Police Standards to participate in a brainstorming session.
- He met with NE Presidents of Chiefs' Associations at FRI and spoke of our weekend in November.
- He and Chief Carrier attended the 100 Club Dinner in Bedford last week.
- He shared information on the NH Theatre Project doing a reading of a screenplay
- He shared the news of Exeter Hospital terminating their ALS response service in 10 days. He spoke to Commissioner Quinn and Director Cutting last night and will monitor the situation.

Report of the Executive Director: (Lemire)

- October 2 BOD meeting will be at Primex in Concord on the 2nd. The October 10 meeting will be at the NHFA for breakfast at 0900. Senator Shaheen MAY attend. Schedule is still not in stone.
- The November 6 BOD meeting will be virtual.
- The North Country Public Safety Awards banquet will be held on Friday, November 8, 2024 at the Omni Mt. Washington. I have reserved our table as it is a budgeted event.
- SAVE THE DATES: November 15-17 for Professional Enhancement Weekend at Waterville Valley. Notice has gone out.
- The December 4 BOD meeting will be at Primex and the December 12 regular meeting will be virtual.
- The Memorial Service at the NHFA will be September 28.
- He has been working with the Commissioner on a project to inform all NH Chiefs of the method and importance of proper filing and record keeping of Workers' Compensation claims involving cancer and other serious injuries. Comm. Quinn met with Ty Gagne of Primex this morning.
- Our application for 501 c3 has been APPROVED!
- Ad book proceeds to date: Total: \$31,200; Vendor: \$21,840; Assn: \$9,360.

1st Vice President's Report (Watkins) – No report

2nd Vice President's Report – (Hunter) –

- During the regular meeting this morning, representatives of the study committee on ground ambulance fees will be speaking.
- He mentioned the Law Enforcement and Active Shooter training programs available and that Bedford has adopted it.

Sgt. At Arms Report – (Chamberlain) – No report

IAFC – NED – (Jones/S. Murray) –

New Business:

Old Business:

Good and Welfare –

- Chief Buxton reported that set up work for the Committee on Cancer Screening is progressing and the report
- Chief Buxton also reported that the Mental Health working group reported that the Seminars will be January 7 and 8, 2025 at the NHFA.

Motion to adjourn carried at 0853 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Brent T. Lemire, MPA
Executive Director

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