



NEW HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS, INC.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors – October 2, 2019

Granite Restaurant, Centennial Hotel, Concord, NH.

Meeting was called to order at 0830 hours by Chief Buxton.

Chief Buxton opened the meeting by describing the process of selecting a new lobbyist. Chief Rhodes and ED Lemire interviewed candidates and made phone contact.

Present: Chiefs Buxton, Jones, Rhodes, Sitar, Thomas, Beattie, Toomey and Executive Director Brent Lemire. Lobbyists Jodi Grimbilas and Adam Schmidt appeared and presented to the group after the business session.

Minutes of previous meeting: The minutes from the previous meeting will be presented at the next meeting.

Financial Reports: n/a

Correspondence: A thank you note from Special Olympics for participating in their Golf Tournament and a letter from Commissioner Quinn reappointing Dep. John Powers to the BCRB for 3 years.

Life Membership: n/a

President's Report: (Buxton)

- The Commission on PTSD has begun meeting.
- The visiting committee for FFI has been seated.
- The PRIMEX symposium will be held at the NHFA on October 18.
- He attended the meeting of the "Five Families" this week.
- He mentioned the passage of the state budget and the implications.
- He and Marshal Parisi will be making presentations at the NHMA Conference in November.
- Discussion ensued as to the funerals of those who died of cancer.

Report of the Executive Director:

- October 10 meeting will be in at the Town Tavern in Hudson. January 9, 2020 will be at the NHFA.
- Work is done on the Professional Enhancement Weekend for members, spouses and guests. It will be at the Red Jacket Mountain View in North Conway on Veteran's Day weekend, November 8-10, 2019. Plan ahead because we need a minimum of 50 participants.
- Work is being done on the conversion to the new AMS program. Exec. Director and webmaster worked with MemberClicks. Chiefs Murray, Powers, Christopoulos and Lemire participated in a conference call to start the on-boarding process which should be completed by the end of the month.

1st Vice President's Report (Chief Jones) –

- No report

2nd Vice President's Report (Rhodes) –

- No report.

Sgt.- At- Arms Report – (Sitar) –

Treasurer – (Christopoulos) – n/a

New Business:

Old Business:

A MOTION (Rhodes/Sitar) to engage J. Gimbilas Strategic Solutions LLC as the association's lobbyist for the next year for the budgeted amount of \$15,000 carried unanimously.

Good and Welfare:

The meeting was adjourned at 0854 hours for the presentation of the lobbyists.

Respectfully submitted,
Brent T. Lemire, Executive Director
New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs