

Maple Grove Firefighters Relief Association Pull Tab Meeting Sunday January 22, 2017

Pull tab business meeting called to order by President Chris Baker at 19:03

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the December 18, 2016 meeting.

Jim Knutson asked what the dollar amount of the December check to the City that was issued to minimize out yearend tax liability. Dick stated it was \$15,000.

Motion by Jim Knutson to approve the December 18, 2016 meeting.

Second by Tim Kidd.

Motion passed.

Gambling Report:

The December 2016 Gambling Report was given by Dick Seawell. Bingo & meat Raffle generated \$3347. Electronic pull-tabs generated \$73,940. On Schedule LG100F Line 27, profit carry-over for the month shows \$63,767.19. The electronic payout percentage was 91.6%, paper was 88.4%. The Gross Profit was \$49,489. Net profit before taxes was \$30,530. Site profit was \$12,964. Dick is working on a cash "overage" of \$1004. Overall, it was a good month.

Motion to approve the December 2016 Report was made by Jeff Hendel.

Seconded by Tim Kidd.

Motion passed.

Check Approvals:

Motion to approve check no. 11943 to Mick Spurrier in the amount of \$95.53 for gambling class expense, check no. 11944 to CMA Surety in the amount of \$100.00 for Mick's manager bond and check no. 11945 to Allied Charities in the amount of \$275.00 for annual dues was made by Mike Cogswell.

Seconded by Tim Kidd.

Motion passed.

February 2017 Allowable Expenses:

Jim Lewis was dropped from the pre-approval list and Mick Spurrier was added. Spurrier's salary should be \$1500.00

A motion to pre-approve the February 2017 allowable expenses was made by Ron Johnson.

Seconded by Tim Kidd.

Motion passed.

Old Business:

Mick completed the two-day gambling manager course and passed the test. He received his managers bond in the mail. Both of those are needed in order to complete the application for gambling manager. Mick has been working with Dick on processing the monthly paperwork as it comes in. There will be a staff meeting at the Lookout on Saturday 28th for the booth employees.

Dean Noren questioned where we are at on the purchasing of kids plastic fire helmets. Ron will follow up with the new Trustee for January meeting.

New Business:

Received a request in the mail for a donation to the "Tom 'Tommy' Scanlon" benefit to be held at the Osseo Legion. Scanlon has been a member of the Osseo Legion for years and is undergoing cancer treatments. There was no motion made.

There were new security cameras installed at the booth at the Lookout. They are recording and will eventually be internet accessible. There are now four cameras instead of three.

The information for the year-end audit is being collected for the new auditor. The auditor will begin doing payroll, so I9's are being collected. If we want the auditor present for the January 1 inventory, it will cost us between \$750 - \$1000.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mick Spurrier.
Seconded by Pat Beattie.

Meeting adjourned at 19:21.

Submitted by Mick Spurrier, sec.

Maple Grove Firefighters Relief Association General Membership/Board Meeting Sunday January 22, 2017

Meeting called to order by President Chris Baker at 19:27.

Board Members present:

Chris Baker, Mike Cogswell., Jeff Woodbury, Mick Spurrier, Jeff Hendel, Dean Noren, Scott Anderson and Jim Knutson

Relief Association members present:

See attendance roster.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the December 18, 2016 meeting.

Motion by Ron Johnson to approve the December 18, 2016 minutes.

Second by Jim Knutson...

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurers Report for December 2016 was given by Jeff Woodbury. The General Fund balance was \$49,064.58. The Special Fund balance was \$15,112,730. Jeff is reviewing the Bylaws and other documents. He has met with Highland Bank to change signatures. In addition, he has been working with the new auditors and with Ron Johnson on the transition of duties. The 4th quarter dues check was deposited after the end of the month and does not show in the balances.

Motion was made by Jim Knutson to approve the December 2016 Financial Report.

Seconded by Dean Noren.

Motion passed.

Chris Pidel attended and presented his 4th Quarter Report. Chris was able to revert to his old form for presenting his report. The year-end values were; Cash \$233,112, Fixed Income \$2,717,919, and Equities of \$12,161,699 for a total portfolio of \$15,112,730. Net change for the year in value was \$1,009,385 increase. Chris has been making changes to include more dividend paying stocks based on our request. He will probably pull money from the Equities to cover the upcoming payouts.

Motion to approve the 4th Quarter Report was made by Dick Seawell.

Seconded by Scott Slimmer.
Motion passed.

Scott Slimmer asked Jim Knutson if there would be any changes made to the City contribution. He replied no, that the same calculation would be used this year as last year.

Old Business:

- a. Mike Cogswell reported \$107.50 collected. Two checks were written to Cub; \$25.94 and \$28.07. The balance without the deposit is \$961.85.

Motion to approve the Pop Fund Report was made by Dick Seawell.

Seconded by Scott Slimmer.

Motion passed.

- b. Jeff Hendel reported \$56.00 in sales. He is working on making an inventory of everything available for re-sale, establishing price and updating the website. He is also working on the year-end valuation of inventory.

Motion to approve the merchandise report was made by Jeff Woodbury.

Seconded by Dick Seawell.

Motion approved.

The topic of the new casual fire apparel website was discussed. It is run by two station 5 firefighters. The word out is that they are donating all profits to the MGFRA. There is confusion by the members as to what this new apparel website is. Chris Baker will follow up with the individuals to clarify what their intention is.

Ron Johnson, Jeff Hendel and Jeff Woodbury are meeting Wednesday at station 2 @ 7:00 to discuss merchandise, including children's helmets.

- c. The Winter Banquet is at the Osseo Legion on Saturday February 18th. Retirees from last year will also be invited.

New Business

- a. Next meeting Sunday February 26, 2017 at Station 2 7:00 PM.
- b. As a pull-tab item, Dick Seawell said that Allied Charities is actively working to reduce our taxes on charitable gambling. There was an article in the Start Tribune describing their efforts.

Motion to adjourn by Dick Seawell.

Second by Mike Cogswell.

Meeting adjourned @ 20:10.

Mick Spurrier, sec.