

Maple Grove Firefighters Relief Association Pull Tab Meeting Sunday March 24th, 2019

Pull tab business meeting called to order by President Chris Baker at 2011.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the February 24th, 2019 meeting.

Motion by Rob Pearson to approve the February 24th, 2019 meeting minutes.

Second by Russ Commers.

Motion passed.

Gambling Report:

The February 2019 Gambling Report was given by Mick Spurrier. Paper and E-Bingo was ran this month. Pull Tabs were down and percentages were down from last month. Bingo Net Receipts were \$5,214. Paper Pull Tabs generated \$30,469 with an 87.1% payout. Electronic pull-tabs generated \$8,833 Net Receipts with a 91.4% payout. All of that combined for a Net Profit of \$20,727. After expenses, a Site Profit of \$7,654 for the month.

Motion to approve the February 2019 Report was made by Russ Commers.

Seconded by Juan Morin.

Motion passed.

Check Approvals:

None this month

Pre-approve April 2019 Allowable Expenses:

Only adjustment was to Mike Peterson's wage, as his is equal to one hour of firefighter pay.

A motion was made by Juan Morin to preapprove the April 2019 Allowable Expenses.

Seconded by Jeff Hendel.

Motion passed.

Old Business:

- a. Mick is working to find a better source to send the check approved last month for a Dalbo firefighter who is battling cancer. The only place known as of now is the firefighter's daughter, not an account set up in his name.
- b. MGFRA was the third largest contributor to the Veteran's Memorial being constructed in Central Park. It should be completed by Maple Grove Days.

New Business:

- a. Donation to 3 MGPD officers doing a charity ride for fallen police officers and their families.

Motion to donate \$500 to the 3 officers by Riley Slimmer.

Second by Adam Ohme.

Motion passed.

- b. Had a request for a donation to help with firefighter and other first responder mental health. One of the fire department part-time staff is working with a mother of a firefighter who committed suicide to sell coins to raise money. However due to the requesting agency not dealing with mental health or first responders, and a general lack of information on the request, it was sent back for clarification on how the money would be used and who would be using it.

Motion on to adjourn was made by Rob Pearson.

Seconded by Tim Kidd.

Meeting adjourned at 2034.

Submitted by Riley Slimmer, sec.

Maple Grove Firefighters Relief Association General Membership/Board Meeting Sunday March 24th, 2019

Meeting called to order by President Chris Baker at 1900

Board Members present:

Chris Baker, Stephanie Firestone, Riley Slimmer, Jeff Hendel, Tim Bush and Steve Hauer.

Relief Association members present:

See attendance roster.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the February 24th, 2019 meeting.

Motion by Rob Pearson to approve the February 24th, 2019 minutes.

Second by Russ Commers.

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Chris Baker gave the Treasurer's report. The balance of the special fund at the end of February was \$17,218,542, an increase for the year of \$1,391,541. The general fund income for the month of February was \$1,914, and expenses for \$5,050 from the banquet and merchandise orders, for a net loss of \$3,136 and a general fund balance of \$48,305. As a note merchandise orders show up as an expense this month and income the following month.

Motion by Rob Pearson to approve the February 2019 Treasurer's report

Second by Robert Schumacher

Motion Passed

Old Business:

- a. Jeff Hendel reported \$106 was collected.

Motion to approve the Pop Fund Report was made by Robert Schumacher.

Seconded by Adam Ohme.

Motion passed.

- b. Jeff Hendel reported had \$403 in sales this month.

Motion was made to approve the Merchandise Report was made by Rob Pearson.
Seconded by Russ Commers.
Motion passed.

- c. Discussion on raising dues. The discussion was had on why we want to raise dues, and if it was solely to cover the cost of the service awards. When looking back in years past without paying service awards, and taking all income and expenses out for the golf tournament, we were losing money annually from \$971 up to \$5,909 one year. The discussion was to raise the dues to \$16.41, hourly rate of a regular firefighter, and be able to raise annually if the hourly rate increased as well. This will allow the association to fund it self and use the golf tournament monies for our anniversary banquets and potentially fund other interests as the membership sees fit.

Motion to raise dues to \$16.41 was made by Robert Schumacher.
Second by Russ Commers.
Motion passed.

- d. Tabled motion on service rings. Long discussion on why we do the service awards and why we want to continue to do them. There were other options that have been brought up as an alternative to a ring for those who do not want a ring but still want a service award.

Vote on motion to raise amount given for a ring to \$750 and reduce the cash payout to \$250:

2 Yay

12 Nay

Motion did not pass.

There will be a group put together to discuss if we want to have other options and what those might be, they will bring the findings forward at a later meeting date.

New Business

- a. MSFDA Conference. April 26 and 27 in Mankato, contact Chris Baker if interested in attending.

Motion to adjourn by Rob Pearson.

Second by Dean Noren.

Meeting adjourned at 2010.

Riley Slimmer, sec.