

**TENNESSEE FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Nashville, TN, 17 July 2007**

The meeting was called to order by the President at 13:00. Charlie Vance opened the meeting with a prayer.

Welcome: President Baxter welcomed all in attendance.

New Attendees: First-time attendee Rocky Dial from Livingston, Frank Miller from Franklin County, Jack Spurgeon from Bristol, and Lynn Wood from Lexington were recognized. Rusty Williams from TARS was also with us.

Thanks: President Baxter thanked all the vendors for their support and sponsorship of our meals, breaks, and hospitality room.

Minutes from May: The minutes of the May meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Jimmy Thompson reported that the checking account has a balance of \$39,031.19. The 2007-2008 Budget was explained.

Elections: Chief Ed Kay presented the slate of new officers from the Nominating Committee. They were:

President – Richard Martin of Lenoir City
1st Vice President – Jerry Crawford of Collierville
2nd Vice President – Marty Bowers of Shackle Island
Treasurer – Jimmy Thompson of Pulaski
Secretary – Barron Kennedy of Tazewell / New Tazewell
East Board Member – Eddie Phillips of East Ridge
Middle Board Member – Jamie Steele of Hendersonville
West Board Member – David Dillingham of Selmer

The slate was approved by vote.

Volunteer Committee: Al Rosamond reported on several issues from the NVFC. The Heart Healthy has saved 9 lives at recent meetings by checking blood pressure and cholesterol. Contact your Legislator for continued FIRE Grant funding. PSOB program is being held up in the Justice Department and a legislative investigation is pending.

Assoc Organizations:

TN Fireman's Assoc. – Chief Jim Whaley announced that the TN Firemen's Association will meet in Townsend 29-31 May 2008.
Upper Cumberland Training Weekend - Chief Ed Kay announced the Upper Cumberland Fire Training Weekend will be 6-7 October 2007 in Cookeville. Get your Memorial Bricks.
TN Chapter IAAI – At the Grand Hotel in Pigeon Forge 5 – 10 August 2007.
Southeastern Assoc. of Fire Chiefs – Chief Phillips announced the Southeastern will meet in Chattanooga 19-21 June 2008. FRI will be in Atlanta in August. Cleveland FD Inspector Mike Samples passed away very recently. We will send a delegation to the IAFC Leadership Summit in Washington.

Old Business: None

New Business: Roger Hawks spoke about changes at TFAC, the upcoming TN Weekend at the NFA, and NFA grants.

Our Website has won a gold award.

The Quarterly Meeting will be 17-19 October in Kingsport at the Meadowview. The new format will apply. The Commission will meet on Wednesday at 1:00. Training will begin on Thursday morning

and Committee will meet Thursday afternoon. There will be a combined Board / Business meeting on Friday morning. There will be two breakfasts and one lunch provided.

Adjournment - There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 13:15.

Respectfully submitted: Barron Kennedy, Secretary