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MEETINGS

WATERTOWN:

Regular meeting

March 1st, 7:00 p.m.

Watertown, NY 13601

PLATTSBURGH:

Satellite meeting

March 8th, 7:00 p.m.

Plattsburgh, NY 13601

The Job calls are now listed on the web site: <https://ibew910.org/jobList.html>

REMINDER

1st Quarter Dues Are Now Payable

Wiremen \$126.60
Apprentice \$120.60

Check or exact cash accepted.

You may also pay your Quarterly Union dues via Paypal on the members only section of our web site.

<https://ibew910.org/910-members/>

If you have any questions concerning how much you may owe, please call (315) 782-5630

WAGES - HEALTHCARE - PENSION- ANNUITY

Prior to the Tuesday March 1st Regular Union meeting, Funds Manager Mark Capone will provide a presentation on the status of Local 910's Benefit Funds. Having a good understanding on the status of our funds helps the membership make an informed decision on distribution of a total package increase. During this meeting we will be voting on the breakdown of a total package increase of a \$1.65. Mark's presentation will begin at 7:00 PM.

BROTHERHOOD FUND TAKING ORDERS



The IBEW Local 910 Brotherhood Fund is taking orders for polo shirts. The Dignity Apparel union-made polo is 100% Polyester Pique and will include a Local 910 logo. Cost is \$45.00.

Please contact Mike Rhubart in the Watertown office to place an order; E-mail: mr@ibew910.org

BUSINESS MANAGER

Report at February 2022 Regular Meeting

U=Union / NU = Non Union



Currently we have 52 Journeymen on Book I, 6 on Book II, 4 Apprentices available, 2 Residential, CE, CW's and 0 Tele-data Technicians available for work.

Jobs bid in the last two weeks include: Plattsburg Airport Fuel Farm Modifications REBID had Environmental & Fueling Systems (NU) for \$69,947 (Weydman was second at \$149,777); St Lawrence County - Potsdam Garage and Salt Storage went to Watson (U) for \$197,000; Massena CSD 2019 Capital Improvements Phase 3 went to Watson (U) for \$3,475,686; City of Plattsburg - Independent Energy Efficiency Program had HR Clune (U) low at \$41,415; #3 Wind farm - Collector substation and tower wiring are reportedly going to be done by RES (NU); and O'Connell(U) has already begun construction of the substation that ties into the grid.

From the Executive Board;

Jobs bid in the last two weeks include: Saranac CSD – Electrical Panel Upgrades went to NextEra (NU) for \$49,000.

Upcoming work includes: Lewis County General Hospital Addition and Revitalization, Center CJ Intelligence & Cyber Security Renovation, Dana Hall- SUNY Canton, NYPA MA-Advance Power Flow Control Project, Water Supply Improvements – Au Sable Forks, Brasher Falls School – Capital Outlay, St. Lawrence Seaway – Power Upgrades, Renovate Memorial Hall, SUNY Plattsburg, Newcomb CSD Capital Renovations, Harrisville - Bus Garage Reconstruction, Carthage CSD Capital Improvements Phase III, Agri-Mark- McCadam Cheese, several sub-station upgrades for New York Power Authority, as well as several large solar projects in the works.

School projects that are in various stages of development: Parishville-Hopkinton \$2.3 million, Brushton-Moira \$11.5 million, Indian River \$41 million, Carthage \$35 million, Madrid Waddington \$5 million and Potsdam \$23.5 million.

Currently on the job line we have 4 regular calls for a total of 5 JW's needed and 2 short calls with 4 JW's needed. Both the short calls have overtime. O'Connell needs 3 JW's at the Lake Placid Arenas and is working 5 tens and an 8 on Saturday.

I attended the IBEW/NECA Reciprocal conference last week. The economist who spoke was optimistic about the future. He said that the higher inflation rates we have experienced currently are a result of supply chain issues and will be temporary. It shouldn't produce a negative effect on the economy over the long term. The pension department reported that the International Pension is in the green zone. The Director of the IBEW/NECA Electronic Reciprocal Transfer System (ERTS) gave a detailed report on 2021 hours and monies transferred. This ERTS system has been designed to primarily assist plan participants (most of whom are IBEW members), in requesting the transfer of pension and health & welfare money (contributions) back to their home funds no matter where they may be working. Monies and hours transferred during 2021 were both at record levels. The presentation gave information on the Local Unions who transferred the largest dollar amounts out and the Local Unions who members received the most funds transferred home.

One of the other subjects discussed at length at the conference was Cyber Security. The discussion was especially timely for us, as we had a meeting two weeks ago to begin addressing all facets of the threat. Attending the meeting was our IT Professional, our Attorney, Trustees from the Benefit Funds, Local Union Business Manager and Training Director. Because the Funds, Local Union and JATC all share the same email service and utilize the same server we all need to take the same steps so all entities are protected. The first recommendation by our IT Professional was to change our Wifi to a more secure system. The new hardware has already been installed by an apprenticeship class and will be programed so this system is isolated from our hard wire system to our desktop computers. The next step will be to install filters that will prevent internet access to sites like Facebook and YouTube to any computer that is hardwired to our system. These sites, and others, are one's used by hackers use to gain access. One other change is to use a different version for our email that will have better protection. Our plan is for this group to continue to meet monthly until we are confident we are well protected.

A moment of silence was held for deceased Brother, Terry Gehring.