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MEETINGS

WATERTOWN:

Regular meeting
May 3rd, 7:00 p.m.
Watertown, NY 13601

PLATTSBURGH:

Satellite meeting
May 10th, 7:00 p.m.
Plattsburgh, NY 13601

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Members Only section of the web site?
Let John know jo@ibew910.org*

REMINDER

2nd 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

FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER

Information on Quarterly Dues

It is important to remember that your quarterly dues are prepaid, so for you to be current in May your dues must be paid for the second quarter which ends in June. Per the IBEW Constitution: ***If a member is behind more than 3 months, a reinstatement fee of \$30.00 is required.*** For example if a member is currently paid thru December of 2021 and pays their dues in May, they would owe a reinstatement fee because they are 5 months behind.

It is each member's responsibility to keep track of their dues status. Per the IBEW Constitution: ***No member is entitled to notice of the monthly or quarterly dues of his/her Local Union nor of arrearages, but must take note when payments are dues.*** Each month in this newsletter in the bottom left hand corner we state what quarter is due.

Journeyman Wireman dues are currently \$126.60 per quarter or \$42.20 a month. Of the \$42.20 monthly dues only \$3.20 stays here at Local 910, \$19.00 goes to your International Pension and \$20.00 is the per capita tax that helps fund the International's operation. The International Pension also includes a death benefit or Life Insurance. If a normal death occurs, \$6,250 is paid to the beneficiary and \$12,500 for an accidental death. It is important to remember that a member must have 6 previous months of good standing, meaning dues are paid in advance, to be eligible for the death benefits. So when you think about keeping your dues current this death benefit is another good reason.

Local 910 members now have the ability to pay their quarterly dues by mailing a check to the Watertown office, in person at the office or on-line at the members only section of our web site: <https://ibew910.org/910-members/>.

If you have any questions about quarterly dues or if you have difficulty logging into the members only section of the web site, please let me know by calling the Watertown office 315-782-5630. You may also email to me at jo@ibew910.org.

Thank you.

John O'Driscoll

BUSINESS MANAGER

Report at April 2022 Regular Meeting

U=Union / NU = Non Union



Currently we have 53 Journeymen on Book I, 15 on Book II, 2 Apprentices available, 1 Residential, CE, CW's and 1 Tele-data Technician available for work.

Jobs bid in the last two weeks include: Lyme Veterans Memorial Park went to Northern Pioneer(U) for \$197,000, Alexandria Bay - Municipal Docks Scenic View Park & WTP REDI Improvements went to S&L(U) \$293,000, and Norwood-Norfolk CSD Capital Project Phase II went to Watson(U) for \$169,590.

From Executive Board Report;

Jobs bid in the last two weeks include: Norwood-Norfolk CSD Capital Project Phase II went to Watson(U) for \$169,590, Village of Philadelphia - Municipal Office Building and Community Center went to SC Spencer(NU) for \$138,000, and Cranberry Lake - Salt Storage Building went to Northern Pioneer(U) for \$55,600.

Upcoming work includes: 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, Beaver River CSD Capital Outlay Project, Construction of the Municipal Office Building and Community Center, Village of Philadelphia, Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe former IGA Building Renovation, Akwesasne, Indian River CSD - District Wide Capital Project – Phase III, New Methane Digester at Marks's Farms in Lowville, Agri-Mark- McCadam Cheese, several more smaller projects for ORDA, 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, Potsdam \$23.5M and Norwood-Norfolk \$1.5 million.

We do not have any calls on the recorder at this time. Over the last 2 weeks, calls have not been filled immediately except one that had overtime. There are a lot of projects out to bid and many contractors are concerned how we will have enough manpower.

Dave Hoover and I attended the 2022 IBEW Construction and Maintenance Conference in Washington D.C. last week. Everyone was happy we were able to attend in person as opposed to having the conference on-line like we did last year. The amount of work across the County is at a level never seen in our generation. After a slight dip due to the pandemic, membership for "A" members is at 419,906. That membership grew by 9,000 in the last 7 months. Total membership is at over 688,000. But still with our membership growing, we are falling short of filling job calls in most areas of the Country in both the Inside and Outside branch. It is obvious that we need to do a better job of attracting the non-union electrical workers to our organization. On the political side of things, we were given details by one of the top Labor Lawyers in the Country on how the Biden Administration has made more Labor-friendly moves than any President in recent history. From the NLRB, to Cabinet appointments, to the new proposed regulations for Davis Bacon - this Administration is extremely Pro-Labor!

One of the big problems with the Solar work in upstate New York is that when our contractors do get to bid a job, it is as a subcontractor; all our contractors get to look at is the traditional wiring and the panel installation. Racking is carved out of the bid. After discussions within the Business Managers group, we discovered that on Long Island several of the signatory electrical contracts act as the General Contractor. Recently Long Island Business Manager Kevin Casey set up a zoom meeting with the New York State Business Managers and five (5) of his large contractors who do solar work. After the meeting, IBEW Business Development Representative Ed Hill, Jr. supplied us with a comprehensive list of the proposed solar projects in New York State. I reduced the list to the projects in our six Counties and forwarded it along to those five (5) Contractors from Long Island, encouraging them to bid in our area. Having our contractor be in charge of everything will help prevent the Laborers and Carpenters from stealing our work.

There was a moment of silence for deceased brother, Paul Bestor.