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May 2017

Charter Union Meeting

May 10th
ATU Union Hall
196 Orchard Park Rd.
West Seneca NY

**10:00 AM and
7:30 PM**

Agenda

Regular order of
Business

From the President's Desk

By: Jeff Richardson

This month we had an arbitration case. The Rail had an outside company come in to seal and stripe the Rail's parking lot. Our union has sealed and stripped parking lots in the past, but for some unknown reason our union workers were not considered to perform the work.

Also this month, I was able to address the Common Council concerning the lack of funding

that could get more service on the street and a contract for our union workers. The Common Council forwarded our resolutions to Albany demanding Legislation to find resources for NFT Metro. But my question remains from the Mayor on down, quit passing the buck and help us in the city which the transit system operates.

I need every union member to join me on May 6, 2017 at Coca-Cola Field at 12:00 PM to unite as one voice and rally to let the company know that Local 1342 is strong again.

In Solidarity

Jeff Richardson



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A Message From Charlie Sikora Financial Secretary/Treasurer



As I reported in a past newsletter. We were selected along with other unions for a random audit conducted by the Union Standards Divisions of the Department of Labor. This is routine that a certain number of unions receive spot audits by the DOL. Not just ATU locals but all unions representing a wide range of industries. That audit has been completed and no issues or concerns were found. They said that our union has one of the best record keeping that they've seen. I should also point out that this audit was for the last fiscal year that Vince and Kathy were in office, so they not only met but exceeded their fiduciary responsibility for this Local. They also asked to see our books as of Jan. 1st 2017 to make sure we are continuing the same practices as in the past fiscal year. They found that these practices are contin-

uing in the same manner.

I have been reconciling the past dues, delinquent dues and initiation payments to this office going back to 2013 and have found some payments in all three categories are owed to this Local. With the initiation fees that are owed, I found that this is mostly due to the fact that some of our newly hired members chose to resign from their Metrolink position and be re-hired to as a big bus operator. When this happened, payment deductions would stop and then not continue on the re-hire back to the new job. I have been coordinating with Greg Beckwith in payroll to get the names and amounts correct. He has been a great help from the payroll department end. I have gone through over a hundred operator files, past dues checkoff lists, and a number of Ex-

cel spread sheets that this union uses to keep tract of payments from all of the members.

If you see extra payments coming out of your checks in the next couple of weeks and you don't think that it has been thoroughly checked and double checked-which it has been, and you think the extra deductions coming out of your check are in error, please call me on my cell phone - Charlie Sikora @ (716) 220-2475 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM

In solidarity,

Charlie Sikora

ATU Local 1342 would like to congratulate all the recipients of the 32nd Annual Safety and Service Awards

NFTA 25 Years of Service:

Ledonia Boyd - MTC
 Clarence E. Brown - MTC
 David Chihanick – South Park Rail Station
 Diane Ciesla – Babcock Garage
 Darryl Dynarski – South Park Rail Station
 Shirley Garwol – Cold Spring Station
 Terrence J. Hourihan – Frontier Station
 Gwendolyn Johnson – Gwendolyn Johnson
 Stephen Korodi – Frontier Garage
 John Matte, Sr. – Frontier Garage
 James Seiler – James Seiler
 Andrew Smith III – Cold Spring Station
 Ronald Smith – South Park Rail Station

Cold Spring

10 Year Safe Driving

April Delaney
 Demetrius Evans
 Deborah Williams

10 Year Safe Maintenance – Shop

James Brunner
 Greg Campbell
 Raymond Overton

20 Year Safe Driving Gift

Richard Reed

Babcock

10 Year Safe Driving

Steven Bolt
 Cynthia Dubose,
 Aisha Epps
 James Gill
 Adrian Lane
 Lacesha Mellerson
 Sharith Myree
 Dawn Wright

20 Year Safe Driving Gift

William Beyers,
 Thomas Gerrity
 Bernardo Nieves, Sr.

Frontier

10 Year Safe Driving

Kerry James
 Mark Jones
 Michael Kelly
 Brian Lewke
 Vance McDaniel
 Charlene Penson

10 Year Safe Maintenance – Shop

Kimberly Kemp
 Raymond Maple
 Anderson Perry
 Roy Shepard

South Park

10 Year Safe Driving

Sharon Chillis

10 Year Safe Maintenance – Garage

Robert Winegarden

20 Year Safe Driving Gift

Jonathan Millard

NFTA/Metro System acknowledges those operators who have achieved more than 30 years of safe driving.

Joseph Carr	30 years, Frontier Station
Mark DeJames	30 years, Babcock Station
Timothy Denny	31 years, Frontier Station
Thomas Goldsby	32 years, Babcock Station
John Hall	31 years, Frontier Station
James Naples	31 years, Frontier Station
Martin Smith	31 years, Frontier Station

Metro Anniversaries

Apa, Jay	16	Hansen, Alfred	4	Mullen Jr, Donald	10
Barron, Cory	6	Hardy, Marquellia	11	Myree, Shantay	12
Becton-Schmitt, Annette	16	Hennegan, Ronald	13	Naples, James	36
Blue, Marc	1	Humes, David	32	Palmer Jr, David	10
Bottom, John	29	Johnson, Kenneth	6	Panaro, Patrick	10
Boyd, Ledonia	25	Johnson, Quantella	14	Parrett, Quandra	14
Bruce, Thomas	30	Jones, Jason	1	Paulk, Michael	23
Burger, Arlene	13	Jones, Marcus	9	Pendelton, J C	17
Collins, Gary	18	Jones, Mark	15	Pereira, Enrique	15
Conmy, Kevin	19	Jones, Sterling	10	Ramos, Francisco	6
Cooper, Frank	6	Khalid, Lamaur	4	Riehle, Bruce	4
Cornelious, Carletha	16	Krause, Raymond	9	Rodriguez, Jose	6
Data, Julian	4	Krywczuk, David	1	Ross, Gayla	15
Dejesus Jr, Robinson	15	Kuehne, Peter	32	Selvaggio, Michael	4
Deperto, Donald	34	Lamarca, Frank	13	Smith, Martin	32
Doyle, Delano	17	Langlands, Brian	16	Smith, Tracy	15
Duffin, Dawn	17	Little, Mario	6	Terry, Kevin	16
Ellis, Danny	13	Long, Fitzgerald	15	Thomson, Scott	7
Epps, Aisha	15	Love, Clyde	7	Troutman-Washington, Evelyn	15
Ferguson, Bryan	16	Machajewski, David	6	Vincent, Ronald	13
Flood, Markeita	14	Mancini, Mark	34	Wachowski, Michael	24
Garwol, Shirley	25	McDougald, Samuel	32	Walker, Annette	1
Gauss, Jeffrey	31	McCooley, Gary	24	West, Brian	19
Goldsmith, Wanda	14	Milczarski, Richard	6	Wheeler, Jeffrey	16
Goss, Gary	32	Miller, Keesha	6	Williams Jr, Johnny	9
Green, James	4	Mitchell, Damien	5	Williams, Lawrence	7
Griffin Jr, Robert	16	Mitchell, Roosevelt	5	Zientara, Michael	4
Griffin, Kevin	3	Moore, Ray	1	Zimmermann, Kevin	3
Hall, Carolyn	17	Mosher, Ricky	3		



Barnes, George
 Beal, Tony
 Bivens, Tyrone
 Boice, Frank
 Bradley, Shenita
 Brumagin, Roger
 Brunner, James
 Buie, Jeffery
 Burger, Arlene
 Cahill, Michael
 Camillo, David
 Candelario, Jimmy
 Carney, Thomas
 Carrasquillo, Chris
 Carter, Edward
 Cherry, Clydie
 Chihanick, David
 Chillis, Sharon
 Crosby, Courtney
 Deperto, Darrick
 Dimino, Joshua
 Dobozi, Jeffrey
 Drayton, Dennis
 Ehlers, Angela
 Erb, Nathan
 Erhardt, Gary
 Farrell, Shaun
 Fitzgerald, Patrick
 Giddens, Cotona
 Giezycki, Donna
 Green, Demetrius

Hanley, Barbara
 Harper, Cornelia
 Harris, Tito
 Helm, Terrance
 Herkey, Ronald
 Huber, John
 Hutcherson, Keith
 Jackson, Ariana
 Johnson, Quantella
 Jones, Barbara
 Jones, Jason
 Jones, Mark
 Jones, Ronald
 Kelly, Michael
 Khalid, Lamaur
 Lahrs, Eric
 Laney, Antoinette
 Lukasik Jr, Richard
 Machajewski, David
 Miller, Demario
 Mitchell, Ray
 Montanari, Vincent
 Moore, Lydia
 Moorhouse, John
 Moss, Jeffrey
 Olds, Patricia
 Olejniczak, Alan
 Palmer Jr, David
 Petricca, Robert
 Piccolo Jr, Gerard
 Pierce, Ryan

Pontrello, Joseph
 Port, Dwayne
 Pyzikiewicz, Paul
 Ransom-Perry, Clarissa
 Rodriguez, Jose
 Sacchetti, Vince
 Salgado, Robert
 Sargent, MarkK
 Scime, Anthony
 Scully, Jeff
 Shadwick, Jeremiah
 Shephard, Demetrius
 Siegel, Robert
 Spate, Tremaine
 Stoll, Matthew
 Swain, Eddie
 Todd, Kayla
 Torres, Jorge
 Truesdale, Michael
 Wainwright, Raymond
 Washington, Clifford
 Wcislo, Shawn
 Wilcox, Darren
 Williams, Ramona
 Williams, Serena
 Williams, Valdaz
 Woleen, Randy
 Woodard, Diane
 Woodruff, Alithia
 Woodward, Jacob

Rally for Transit Justice and a Fair Contract!

When: Saturday, May 6th, 12:00 PM

Where: Coca-Cola Field (One James D. Griffin Plaza in Buffalo)

Why: WNY deserves improved bus and rail service, and that cannot be done without a fair contract for NFTA employees!

Bring your friends, family, neighbors, and anyone that wants to see improved public transportation in WNY



Retired in May 2017

Karen Borczynski

Paul Brown

Frank Pizza

Jackie Ryan

Jay Simmance

Deceased Members

Otis Jones

4/10/17