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Name: **Citizens Fire Company #1 of Lemoyne Papers**

MG-196

Materials: Papers

Volume: 4 linear feet (4 boxes)

Donation: West Shore Bureau of Fire

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HISTORICAL NOTE

The Citizens Fire Company #1 began its history in the Borough of Lemoyne on June 19, 1905. A meeting was held in Witman Building (or Witman Hall) for the purpose of organizing a fire company for the borough. Meetings were held once a week and the Citizens Fire Company #1 of Lemoyne was officially recognized by the Borough Council on July 6, 1906. The first by-laws and constitution were drawn up and approved on July 17, 1906. The company's first firehouse was built in 1910 on Hummel Avenue. Before its construction, the fire fighters moved their equipment, then a handmade wooden hose cart, to various stables and garages of the community. During the company's beginning year, it faced financial crises and it almost lost its building in 1915, but reorganization took place in 1919.

During the 1980s, the fire departments of Lemoyne and Wormleysburg created a Hazardous Materials response team and formed a Mutual Aid Force, which utilized the services of four communities' resources during fire emergencies. These companies worked with other boroughs, beginning the creation of a regional fire service. In 1997, talks began about forming what is now the West Shore Bureau of Fire, which officially formed on January 1, 1998. It has been providing fire and safety services ever since. The West Shore Bureau of Fire is the newest fire department in Cumberland County.

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

This collection consists of four boxes. The first box contains 28 folders. The content of these files ranges from Borough Council papers, committee papers, membership files, various constitutions, contracts, correspondence, department history, firemen's association papers, fire rescue squad minutes, financial documents, and insurance papers.

The second box of this collection contains 36 folders. It continues with the company's invoices and financial statements. Documents pertaining to the fire department's Ladies' Auxiliary are stored within this box. The Ladies' Auxiliary folders include committee reports, correspondence, journals, membership files, and meeting minutes. This box also contains legal files, documentation of the Lemoyne and Wormleysburg fire jointure, letterhead and envelopes, and loan files. The company's minutes from 1926 to 1978 are stored in Box 2.

Box three continues with the company's minutes from 1979 to 1999. Folders within this box include the miscellaneous documents, news articles pertaining to the Fire Company, ordinances and resolutions, play scripts, sewer listings, tax files, blank forms, and wills and testaments. Within this box are the company's reports – auditor, financial secretary, festival, fire, incidents, treasurer, and trustees. This collection's oversized collection begins in this box and ends in box four.

The collection's folders are arranged alphabetically and the documents within these files are arranged chronologically. Entries marked with an asterisk (*) in the following inventory list are a part of the oversized collection.

RELATED MATERIAL

History of Fire Protection in Lemoyne, Pennsylvania by Randy Watts, 2015

COLLECTION INVENTORY

Box 1: MG-196-001

- Folder 1: Borough Council of Lemoyne Papers
- Folder 2: Building Committee Papers
- Folder 3: Certificates
- Folder 4: Company Membership / Officer Files – Folder 1
- Folder 5: Company Membership / Officer Files – Folder 2
- Folder 6: Constitutions and By-Laws
- Folder 7: Contracts
- Folder 8: Correspondence – Company
- Folder 9: Correspondence – General 1922-1955
- Folder 10: Correspondence – General 1956-1963
- Folder 11: Correspondence – General 1964-1979
- Folder 12: Correspondence – General 1980-1985
- Folder 13: Correspondence – General 1986 Onwards
- Folder 14: Correspondence – General Unknown Dates
- Folder 15: Correspondence with Other Fire Companies 1922-1984
- Folder 16: Correspondence with Other Fire Companies 1985 Onwards
- Folder 17: Correspondence with Other Fire Companies Unknown Years
- Folder 18: Department History
- Folder 19: Firemen's Association Papers
- Folder 20: Fire Cards
- Folder 21: Fire Rescue Squad Minutes
- Folder 22: Fire Truck & Equipment Files
- Folder 23: Fundraising
- Folder 24: Hazardous Materials Department
- Folder 25: Insurance
- Folder 26: Installment Sale and Security Agreements
- Folder 27: Invoices and Financial Statements – Folder 1
- Folder 28: Invoices and Financial Statements – Folder 2

Box 2: MG-196-002

- Folder 29: Invoices and Financial Statements – Folder 3
- Folder 30: Invoices and Financial Statements – Folder 4
- Folder 31: Invoices and Financial Statements – Folder 5
- Folder 32: Invoices and Financial Statements – Folder 6
- Folder 33: Ladies' Auxiliary Committee Reports
- Folder 34: Ladies' Auxiliary Correspondence
- Folder 35: Ladies' Auxiliary Finance Journals
- Folder 36: Ladies' Auxiliary Journals
- Folder 37: Ladies' Auxiliary Membership Files
- Folder 38: Ladies' Auxiliary Minutes 1939-1952
- Folder 39: Ladies' Auxiliary Minutes 1953-1958
- Folder 40: Ladies' Auxiliary Minutes 1959-1964
- Folder 41: Ladies' Auxiliary Minutes 1965-1971
- Folder 42: Legal Files
- Folder 43: Lemoyne/ Wormleysburg Fire Jointure
- Folder 44: Letterhead and Envelopes
- Folder 45: Loan Files
- Folder 46: Minutes 1926-1929
- Folder 47: Minutes 1930-1932
- Folder 48: Minutes 1933-1935
- Folder 49: Minutes 1936-1937
- Folder 50: Minutes 1938-1940
- Folder 51: Minutes 1941-1945
- Folder 52: Minutes 1946-1951
- Folder 53: Minutes 1952-1954
- Folder 54: Minutes 1955-1957
- Folder 55: Minutes 1958-1962
- Folder 56: Minutes 1963-1964
- Folder 57: Minutes 1965-1967
- Folder 58: Minutes 1968-1970
- Folder 59: Minutes 1971
- Folder 60: Minutes 1972
- Folder 61: Minutes 1973
- Folder 62: Minutes 1974
- Folder 63: Minutes 1975-1976
- Folder 64: Minutes 1977-1978

Box 3: MG-196-003

- Folder 65: Minutes 1979
- Folder 66: Minutes 1980
- Folder 67: Minutes 1981
- Folder 68: Minutes 1982
- Folder 69: Minutes 1983
- Folder 70: Minutes 1984
- Folder 71: Minutes 1985-1996
- Folder 72: Minutes 1997 –
- Folder 73: Miscellaneous
- Folder 74: News Articles
- Folder 75: Ordinances & Resolutions
- Folder 76: Property Files
- Folder 77: Reports – Auditor Reports
- Folder 78: Reports – Festival Reports
- Folder 79: Reports – Financial Secretary Reports Folder 1
- Folder 80: Reports – Financial Secretary Reports Folder 2
- Folder 81: Reports – Financial Secretary Reports Folder 3
- Folder 82: Reports – Fire Reports
- Folder 83: Reports – Incidents Reports
- Folder 84: Reports – Treasurer Reports
- Folder 85: Reports – Trustees Reports
- Folder 86: Scripts
- Folder 87: Sewer Listings
- Folder 88: Tax Files
- Folder 89: Various Forms and Blank Papers
- Folder 90: Wills and Testaments
- Folder 91: 1906-1915 Journal (minutes, committee reports, membership records) *
- Folder 92: 1915-1928 Journal (minutes, membership dues) *
- Folder 93: 1919-1922 Membership Dues Ledger *
- Folder 94: 1923-1925 Membership Dues Ledger *
- Folder 95: 1923 Journal (membership list for auxiliary, dues) *

Box 4: MG-196-004

- Folder 96: 1926-1960 Firemen's Relief Association Minutes Journal *
- Folder 97: 1939-1944 Membership Dues Ledger *
- Folder 98: 1947-1954 Fire Reports *
- Folder 99: 1950s Membership Records *
- Folder 100: 1950-1963 Ledger and Bill Records *
- Folder 101: 1953-1962 Membership Records, Funds, Festivals *
- Folder 102: 1963-1965 Membership and Financial Records *
- Folder 103: 1967-1981 Cumberland County Fire Chiefs Association Minutes *
- Folder 104: 1971-1977 Treasurer's Account Book *
- Folder 105: 1985-1999 Lemoyne Fire Company Relief Minutes *
- Folder 106: 50:50 Club Winners *
- Folder 107: WWII Correspondence Scrapbook *

** Oversized Collection*

This collection register was prepared by Emily Bach, April 2017