

OCQUEOC/BEARINGER FIRE BOARD MEETING  
14127 Town Hall Highway  
January 5, 2012 7 PM  
Minutes, 1<sup>st</sup> copy

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. All board members were present.

There were no public comments on the agenda.

Shutes made a motion to amend the agenda to add the training agreement. Rosetto seconded the motion. All in favor so the motion carried.

The Special Meeting minutes from 9/1/11 and the Regular Meeting minutes from 10/6/11 were reviewed. The checking account balance needed to be changed to read through September, not the July amount. Shutes made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections. Olmsted seconded the motion. All in favor so the motion carried.

Rosetto went over the financial statement.

Checking account

\$34,370.08

Savings account (including EORV fund and HBCA fund)

43,634.57

\$78,004.58

The budget was amended. Rosetto made a motion to move \$240 from miscellaneous to salaries. Shutes seconded the motion. All in favor so the motion carried. Foster made a motion to move \$1444 from volunteers to repairs/maintenance to cover the repairs. Counterman seconded the motion. All in favor so the motion carried.

Chief Yaklin reported that the K-12 saw is here. The gas tank was sold for \$150. The air compressor was discussed. There were two bids. Yaklin made the decision to go with Alpena Fire Equipment Sales & Service.

Anna Beach reported that were 22 calls from 10/1/11 thru 12/31/11. 18 calls were answered. 13 calls in Bearinger TS and 5 in Ocqueoc TS. 16 were medical, 2 accident and 16 were transports to the hospital. Allied ambulance responded to the calls.

Shutes reported that she talked to MTA about the Auxiliary Fire Department Resolution. There does not need to be a resolution to form an auxiliary. Special Meeting Minutes should be approved at the next meeting, not at the next Special meeting. Minutes do not have to be read out loud. This, according to MTA is time consuming and bogs down meetings.

The Auxiliary Fire Department Resolution was discussed. Risk Management says our insurance rates will go up if we have non insured people doing work at the fire hall.

Rossetto has calls in to Lappan to find out exact amounts. Rossetto made a motion to table the vote on the Auxiliary Resolution until we have more information. Foster seconded the motion. All in favor so the motion carried.

Anna Beach's coordinator position was discussed. Her 6 month trial period is over. Rossetto made to a motion to hire Anna Beach permanently. Foster seconded the motion. All in favor so the motion carried.

All fire department members need to have physicals. The cost is \$75 and the department pays for the physical. Yaklin can go on line to do background checks. The training agreement was discussed. Rossetto made a motion to have the trainees pay 50% of the cost of training and the Fire Department pay the other 50%. The new member would get ½ their money back after being with the department for 6 months and the rest back after a year with the department. Mileage paid to drive to training will be 50 cents/mile. This agreement applies to new members only. Olmsted seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Counterman, yes. Foster, yes. Olmsted, yes. Shutes, yes. Rossetto, yes.

The 2012 budget was reviewed. There were changes made. Rossetto will have the proposed budget completed in time for Ocqueoc Township and Bearinger Township board meetings. The budget will not be finalized until both township boards have input. Olmsted made a motion to have the proposed budget for the next fiscal year be no more than \$88,100 to be split by the two townships. Foster seconded the motion. All in favor so the motion carried. The budget will be discussed again at the March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 Fire Board meeting beginning at 7 PM.

Dan Olmsted announced that he is stepping down from the Fire Board. He will stay until we find a replacement. Any one interested should attend the next board meeting to be taken into consideration for the position.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08. Next meeting is on March 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Shutes, Fire Board Secretary