

OCQUEOC/BEARINGER FIRE BOARD MEETING
Thursday, 02 January 2014 7:00 PM
Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm by Jeff Foster followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following board members were present:

Jeff Foster, Chairman	(Trustee - Ocqueoc)
Jerry Counterman	(Supervisor – Ocqueoc)
Beverly Rossetto, Treasurer	(Clerk – Bearinger)
Archie Patterson, Secretary	(Trustee – Bearinger)

The following board members were absent:

Irvin Dedow	(Bearinger)
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Other attendees:

Gary Yaklin, Fire Chief
Charles Merchant, Assistant Chief
Anna Beach, Medical Coordinator

Agenda

The meeting agenda was reviewed and approved as written by motion by Beverly Rossetto, seconded by Jerry Counterman. Motion Carried

Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the 9 September Fire Board Meeting were reviewed with no corrections. Motion to approve the minutes by Beverly Rossetto and seconded by Archie Patterson. Motion carried.

Reports

Treasurer's Report was presented by Beverly Rossetto covered November and December of 2013 with a summary and check registers attached. Starting balance of all funds, on 1 November was \$53,556.28 and the ending balance on 3 of \$53,556.28 with a transfer of \$10,000 from the General Fund was done to cover expenses, of \$4,470.15, the ending balance on 30 November 2013 was \$49,087.86. After expenses of \$723.88 the ending balance on 31 December 2013 was \$48,365.67. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report made by Archie Patterson and seconded by Jerry Counterman. Motion carried.

Fire Chief's Report was give by Gary Yaklin. The Chief's report indicated there were four incidents the department responded to. (1) Rogers City area search and rescue using the ORV for a missing person, (2) House fire where the Onaway Fire Department took over the scene, (3) Car fire, and (4) down power line on lane access marker 50. The Chief reviewed the replacement of an air valve and air dryer on truck 701. The Chief pointed out there has been lots of snow plowing at the hall because of the weather. There have been budget discussions with the members covering ice rescue equipment and rescue tools purchases. Jeff Foster asked if we can modify the snow removal contract for next year to cover the shoveling of the snow infront of the doors. Alternate solutions were discussed as well.

Assistant Fire Chiefs Report. The Assistant Fire Chief's report was given by Charles Merchant. The Assistant Chief covered training in December.

Medical Coordinator's Report was given by Anna Beach. There were eight runs for November and December. Five were supported by Allied and three by Onaway ambulance. All calls were in Ocqueoc Township and all were transported to a hospital. The Medical Coordinator pointed out the vehicle needs new brakes and tires. The tires do not grip and the vehicle slides on the road. One source is Discount Tire and they deliver and use local installer. In response to a question on where were go the truck she stated we bought the vehicle from Allied for one dollar.

Unfinished business

Since the current ORV trailer is broken replacement trailer prices were discussed. Jerry Counterman gave the prices to the Chief for review. Use of both open and enclosed trailers were discussed. Jerry Counterman indicated that pricing was from Johnstrailersales.com in Ohio. Jeff Foster indicated we need specifications for what we need if we go to a \$4000 trailer and put it in the budget.



There was extensive review of the Budget Committee report. Adjustments were made to both item descriptions and required amounts. The items on the Capital Outlay were given priority numbers to rank the requested items.

It was decided to use \$1000 from the current amount set aside for Radios to pay for the analysis of our communications relay needs. This analysis will provide a better estimate for any needed radio repeater system. Motion by Jerry Counterman, seconded by Beverly Rossetto. Motion Carried.

New Business

Jeff Foster appointment of the Annual Wage Review Committee members: Jeff Foster, Beverly Rossetto, Gary Yaklin, Charles Merchant.

Received a new application for Fire Fighter from Anthony Cripps who is Kay Dowker's grandson. After a brief discussion Jeff Foster indicated we should ask him for an interview.

Beverly Rossetto asked to buy two Bezomatic self-starting torchs for the rigs to be used to thaw out frozen locks and other items the crews incounter on runs and have asked for. Motion to authorize the purchase by Beverly Rossetto, seconded by Jerry Counterman. Motion carried.



Topics

Comment.

No public comment

No board comment.

Motion to adjourn was made by Beverly Rossetto and seconded by Jeff Foster. Motion Carried.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Archie Jay Patterson II". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Respectfully submitted,
Archie Jay Patterson II
Secretary