

Ocqueoc-Bearinger Fire Board Meeting

Thursday 3 September 2015

Attending Board Members

Jeff Foster, Chairman
Beverly Rossetto, Treasurer
Archie Paterson, Secretary
Jerry Counterman, Director
Irvin Dedow, Director

Other Attendees

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

The agenda was reviewed and a motion to approve by Irvin Dedow and seconded by Archie Patterson. Motion carried.

Minutes from the July 2nd meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Irvin Dedow, seconded by Beverly Rossetto. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report was reviewed. July 1 starting balance was \$85,452.42, with expenses of \$5,476.17, voided check of 109.50, interest/dividend income of \$3.35, leaving an end balance of \$80,089.10. August interest income of \$3.05, donations of \$95 and expenses of \$8,609.27, leaving an ending balance of \$71,577.88. Motion to approved the Treasurer's report by Archie Patterson, seconded by Irvin Dedow. Motion Carried.

Fire Chief's Report:

There were four fire runs during the two month reporting period. One was recalled as out of district. One was an environmental spill, one car fire near lane marker 29 and one roll-over accident. The rigs checked out by Front Line. Electric connections were added to the ORV trailer. DNR grant for wild land turn-out gear of \$2,000 was received with matching funds from the department. Received a new nozzle for the brush rig. Ordered the dry-hydrant material and fittings for the dry-hydrant that will be installed on the new bridge. Air pack training and inspections were conducted during regular training sessions. New battery for one rig and new engine shut off switch for another rig.

Assistant Fire Chief's Report:

Training has focused on pump and water tending while the weather is warm. Irvin Dedow commented that the pressure control valve was sticking and should be used more during training to prevent it from sticking. Assistant Fire Chief is aware of the problem and incorporate that into the training. Fire Chief said radio batteries have been replace and/or checked.

Medical Coordinator's Report:

There were six medical runs for five medical reasons and one accident. Rogers City Ambulance responded to five and Onaway Ambulance to one call. Four runs were in Ocqueoc and two to Bearinger. Four were transported to the hospital.

Flu shots will be given on 15 September at the HBCA hall. They are free to those on Medicare and \$30 to others.

There is revised training for C-spin procedures and use of the C-collar will be restricted to older patients.

Old Business:

Irvin Dedow said he called FEMA about the grant application status and found our application has passed the first automated screening and waiting action by the three member review panel. No information on when the panel would be reviewing out grant application.

New Business:

Beverly Rossetto reviewed the results of the audit and the use of W-2 and Form 1099misc for reporting income to members. Three people are paid salaries and will receive the W-2 form. Volunteers will receive the Form 1099misc. The rules for distinguishing between using W-2 or Form 1099misc reporting was discussed. Motion to accept the audit report was made by Archie Patterson and seconded by Irvin Dedow. Motion Carried.

Beverly Rossetto discussed the receiving of the dispatch reports by FAX and that we would need to put the FAX machine in the EMS Coordinator's office so the information could be protected. One member mentioned that our FAX machine was old and used a ribbon for printing and we would have to get a new one. Beverly Rossetto would look into the cost of getting a second line or second ring tone for the FAX and the cost of a new FAX. Archie Patterson said there are companies that offer FAX numbers that automatically send the FAX as an e-mail. This could be used in lieu of a second line and new FAX machine. Archie Patterson said he would look into the cost of this service.

Public Comment

None

Board Comment

None

Motion to adjourn by Archie Patterson, seconded by Irvin Dedow. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted



Archie Patterson
Secretary

Next meeting: 5 November 2015 at 7:00 pm