

**LOOKING GLASS REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY
7720 W. Grand River Hwy.
Grand Ledge MI 48837**

**Minutes of Looking Glass Regional Fire Authority Meeting
December 15, 2010
6:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. with The Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Board Members Present: **Clark, Mitchell, Simmons, Therrian, Crego and Adams.** **Chief Fabiano** was also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Patti Schaeffer stated that the firefighters will have a wage increase of 1.5% starting January 1, 2011. The firefighters will start paying 15% of their Health Insurance premiums on January 1, 2011. **Clark** will clarify that for Patti in writing. Patti also stated that if LGRFA pays worker's comp in a lump sum at the beginning of the year it saves the authority \$60.00. **Clark** suggested not paying the lump sum because if payroll varies, then a lump sum has been paid and you perhaps have less people on the payroll. Patti received a letter from the auditor as well stating the audit will start after April 15th.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

AGENDA APPROVAL: **Clark** would like to add Countryside Accounting's proposal to the agenda. A meeting schedule also needs to be added to the agenda. **Motion by Adams,** seconded by **Crego** to approve the agenda as amended. **Motion passed.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Motion by Crego,** seconded by **Adams** to approve the minutes of November 17, 2010 as presented. **Motion passed.**

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Motion by Adams,** seconded by **Simmons** to approve the bills as presented. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS:

Chief's Report:

- **Fabiano** reported that the fire department responded to 460 calls between January and November. They received a check from the insurance company for the electrical damage. Firefighter/EMT Mike Maloney has received the Firefighter of the Year award. Eric Simon and Kyle Hansbarger have completed the company officer course. Don Fox and Tim Baker have been nationally certified as safety officers. LGRFA received a \$100.00 check from the Wacousta Masonic Lodge.

Chair's Report:

Financial Review-**Clark** commented on the financials. He stated that they will be about \$40,000.00 under total budget.

Update on the Ad hoc Service Sharing Committee-**Clark** stated that the group that is meeting to represent their ad hoc committee did meet with Richard Watkins of Delta Township. They will meet again in mid-January.

PENDING BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of Officers for 2011-**Motion by Adams**, seconded by **Simmons** to nominate John Clark as Chair. **Motion passed. Motion by Clark**, seconded by **Mitchell** to nominate Adams as Vice-Chair. **Motion passed. Motion by Simmons**, seconded by **Adams** to nominate Mark Therrian as Secretary. **Motion passed.**
2. Accounting Proposal- **Motion by Simmons**, seconded by **Crego** to renew the contract with Countryside Accounting at the flat rate of \$6,570.00 for the year 2011 which is option 1 with a written amendment that would prorate a decreased amount to the end of the contract and change the amount of the contract in the event the services changed. **Motion passed.**
3. Meeting Schedule-**Motion by Mitchell**, seconded by **Adams** to continue with meeting on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. **Motion passed. Adams** would like a meeting date sheet provided at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT-Patti Schaeffer thanked the board for renewing her contract. **Clark** reported that Chief Fabiano was elected President of the Western Michigan Chief's Association.

ADJOURNMENT- **Motion by Mitchell**, seconded by **Crego** to adjourn the meeting. **Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.**

Date Approved

Ken Mitchell, Secretary