

LOOKING GLASS REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY
7720 W. GRAND RIVER HWY
GRAND LEDGE MI 48837

Minutes of Looking Glass Regional Fire Authority Meeting

March 16, 2011

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with The Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Board Members Present: Mitchell, Adams, Therrian, Clark, Smith, Crego, Chief Fabiano was also present

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CORRESPONDENCE:

AGENDA APPROVAL: motion made by Crego supported by Mitchell to except the agenda as written. Motion passed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Adams supported by Mitchell to except the minutes as written. Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Motion by Mitchell supported by Crego to approve to pay the bills as submitted. Motion passed

REPORTS:

Chief's Report: Reported there were 105 calls for the months of January and February compared to the same time last year of 54 calls. Responded to a major house fire on Herbision road March 5. The house was a total lose. Determined a wood stove was the cause.

He would like to add a foaming system to the new truck. It was too expensive at the time but can get an after market for \$4000.00.

He would like to send the new truck to the Midwest rescue Expo. It would be picked up March 30 and return March 31.

Chairs Report: The unrestricted fund balance report of 49,470.00 is the amount that will be returned to the Townships. The bulk of the money is from part time help a little from overtime, some on board salary and some on insurance.

Ad hoc committee met March 16. They will probably a couple of more times and meet with Delta Township again. If there was no progress by May then they will end it and

report back to the Townships. This is still just a concept and they may talk to other townships.

There is no recourse on the Ford 550 that we can take.

Equipment Committee: came back with a report stating that we could possibly sell the truck and what we make on the sale would cover a new truck it would just have less equipment that we really don't need anyway.

Parking Lot: Had a company come out to take a look at the parking lot paving they gave us an estimate on soil borings around the parking lot for \$4000.00. We decided to wait on the borings until we were ready to redo the complete parking lot. We estimated that we could put off doing that for at least 8 to 10 years. Make the Townships know so they can prepare for the expense. We figure it will cost between \$135,00.00 to \$175,000.00. We will do minor repairs until then.

Depreciation information: High deprecation breathing apparatus at a cost of around 16,000.00 dollars is good for 10 to 15 years. Heart monitor valued at around 22291.00 is good for 2 to 3 years. The future cost will be around \$32000.00. Will try and write a grant for this. The committee will bring this before the Township Board so they can prepare for these costs in the next 2 to 12 years

There was a motion made by Adams and supported by Therrian that the board concur with the equipment committee and refer to Eagle and Watertown Townships our recommendation to sell the current Medic truck and to purchase a replacement truck with the proceeds from the sale. Motion passed

There was a motion made by Crego and supported by Mitchell to purchase a phone system through the grants and donations account with the approval of the Township Boards. Motion passed

There was a motion made by Adams to have the Chief to write a grant for the purchase of a Heart monitor with knowing that there could be matching money of up to \$1600.00 dollars. Supported by Therrian Motion passed.

PENDING BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Therrian and supported by Adams to Adjourn. Motion passed 6:55 pm

Date Approved

Mark Therrian Secretary