

West Shore Bureau of Fire

Fire Commission meeting of 4/13/2009

Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Judy McAllister. Members present were Warren Stumpf, Dr. Judson, and Cindie Sprecker. Also present was Commissioner Ron Frank. Absent was Joe Deklinski.

Minutes were approved as presented

Visitors present had no comments

Financial report: Ron explained some of the bills and payments made. There was an overpayment of the fuel bill to Pacific Pride because of lateness of payment and receipt of new bill. Motion made by Warren Stumpf to get a Home Depot card instead of using Hepfer Ace Hardware. Perhaps that will help save some money. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Judson. Motion carried to file report for audit.

Bills: Question about 2 payments on 4/13/2009 to UGI. Ron explained that Joe pays the bills once a month and the 2<sup>nd</sup> came in before the 1<sup>st</sup> one was paid. Judy stated the bills should be paid as they come in to avoid late charges and overpayment. Motion to pay to bills. Judy McAllister will talk to Joe.

Fire Commissioner: Ron Frank suggested we get a banner from WSBF # \$250.00 as part of the improvements for the borough of Lemoyne and \$300.00 for Wormleysburg Athletic Field showing WSBF supports the communities. Pros & cons were discussed. Biggest drawback is our finances. We have money right now, but this could affect payment of our bills at the end of the year. This will be put on hold until closer to the end of the year.

Greystone Bank approached us about special programs for Volunteer Fire Companies. Discussion was held and since our loans are with Commerce bank and it is in our community, we will stay with them.

Fire Chief: Todd Shadle talked about the Federal Grant application that was denied last year for miscellaneous safety items. We had applied for a grant for new air packs 3 years ago and received it. This year we will ask for monies to replace or refurbish our oldest piece of equipment. The 1988 E1-13. We also had a Regional grant denied from Homeland Security. It was to standardize the fire hydrants. We have around 800 in this area.

Fire Study. Jim Sprecker and others seem to have the last piece of information required then Phase 1 will get underway.

It was brought before the board to remove Charles Shambaugh {youngest member} from the fire department roster. He is not allowed in the stations, at fire department functions or fundraisers. The police had to be called because of words and actions against a member that was out of line. This is an on going problem we have had with Mr. Shambaugh. Motion by Warren Stumpf & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cindie

Sprecker to remove Charles Shambaugh from membership and send a register and regular mail letter to him informing of the decision. Efforts should be made to recover any fire department equipment.

Shaun Donovan talked about a new Federal Stimulus Package. There is 210 million available nation wide. There could be drawbacks because of having to bid on items and not using local companies. Other items could include prevailing wages and matching funds. Discussion was held and Judy informed Shaun to continue investigation.

Ron brought up the mutual aid between WSBF & Navy Region Base. It had not been updated since 1979. Motion by Warren & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Judson to sign the agreement.

Cindie Sprecker discussed CPR & AED training for the community. There is a program from American Heart Association through HACC for Friends & Family CPR at a cost of \$10.00 per person. Cindie can handle 6-8 by herself but will need assistance and manikins for more people. Suggestion of Saturday mornings perhaps 1 time a month. Discussion will be done later and have classes in the fall.

Ron suggested a camera system for both fire stations. There has been missing items and minor vandalism that this could prevent. Ron was given the OK to look into this. Perhaps a 'fake' system to start with.

Reminder there will be a spaghetti dinner 5/8/2009 at Wormleysburg Station2.

Respectfully submitted by

Cindie Sprecker