

Deerfield Township Fire Board
Minutes for January 19, 2009

Members Present: T. Swanson, D. Webster, C. Purtill, L. Wyatt, Chief Martin, Assistant Chief Nerbonne

Members Absent: D. Wood

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by the chair, Mr. Swanson

Approval of minutes: Moved, second (Wyatt/Purtill) to approve minutes of December 15, 2008.
APPROVED.

Treasurer's Report: Moved, second (Wood/Wyatt) to accept Treasurer's report and recommend to township board the payment of bills \$5,830.27. APPROVED

December 15, 2008 Fire Dept. bills were paid	\$12,108.63
Interest earned Fire Dept.	\$10.84
Checking Balance Fire Department	<u>\$129,947.81</u>

Lights were re-wired in hall, township will reimburse fire department fund for their half in project.

Fire Chief's Report:

Eight (8) runs for the month of December

1 Down power line

1 P.I Accident with injuries

1 CO alarm

1 Structure fire

1 Station stand-by

3 Mutual aid structure fires

Total payroll as of 12/31/08: \$19,975.00

Total runs for 2008: 61

Old Business:

- A. Continued discussion on budget. Report improved; still in need of corrections.
- B. ISO update: Waiting for ISO notification of site visit
- C. Migration of radios to 12.5KHz: No further action.
- D. Firefighter Incentive plan: Action tabled at 9/15/08 meeting. No further action.
- E. Engine 8-10: No further action.
- F. Gear replacement: Representative from Douglass Safety will be available next week. Chief Martin will present to board total cost of equipment need at next meeting.
- G. Chief Martin mentioned concern regarding of dry hydrant access on M-20. May need to add clean fill/cement in spring. No further action.
- H. Interest of adding a dry hydrant at Baseline and Nottawa (North Branch of Chippewa). Cost share with Nottawa-Sherman Fire Department. More information needed. No further action.

New Business:

- A. Request to contract with individual to assist with grant writing. Motion (Webster/Purtill) to approve \$500 to hire grant writer.
- B. 10-year Wish list presented and discussed.
- C. Request for additional equipment: Moved, second (Webster/Wyatt) to approve \$1500 for additional equipment as presented to fire board. APPROVED.
- D. Moved, second (Webster/Wyatt) approve purchase of 3 pagers at \$460 each, total \$1380. APPROVED.
- E. Moved, second (Wyatt/Purtill) for \$110 to add pump heater to engine 8-10. APPROVED.

Public Comment: None

Adjourn 7:53 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Denise Webster, Secretary