

Deerfield Township Fire Board
Minutes for December 18, 2006

Members Present: L. Wyatt, D. Webster, T. Swanson, C. Purtil, D. Wood, Chief Hoffman, Asst. Chief Ryan Martin

Guest: Michael Todd, AccuMed Billing Representative

Meeting called to order 7:00pm by Mr. Swanson, chair.

Motion by Wood, second Wyatt to approve minutes for November 20, 2006 as submitted.
CARRIED.

Fire Chief's Report

Beginning Cash Balance:	Not available
Income:	Not available
Bills to be paid:	Not available
Ending Cash Balance:	Not available

One (1) Run for month of November

1 Structure Fire w/Nottawa-Sherman Fire Department

Unfinished Business:

- A. EPA Drain Closure: Completed
- B. Dry Hydrant Fittings: Chief Hoffman has investigated other vendors. New fitting will be available on Wednesday. Will report progress to Fire Board in January with every intention to have dry hydrants useable by the end of January.
- C. Storage box at Morbark water tower: Fremont Fire Department will contact Chief Hoffman when storage box is completed and if additional hose is required.
- D. Application for Raffle for spring breakfast: In process.
- E. Dry hydrant at Meridian Park: Will have repaired once appropriate parts are secured.
- F. Gear and equipment recovered from non-active firefighter with the exception of a pager. Chief Hoffman anticipates pager will be returned.
- G. Water tender: Township continues discussion and investigation of the feasibility of purchasing a second water tender.

New Business:

- A. Budget: Fire Board will discuss at January meeting.
- B. Brian Timmer from VFIS (Volunteer Firefighter Insurance Service) will attend January's meeting to present information to the Board.
- C. Guest: Michael Todd spoke to Fire Board regarding the services provided by AccuMed Billing. Company assists municipalities with cost recovery for emergency response incidents. A Michigan business since 1989 and endorsed by the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs. Board was provided written information at its May 2006 meeting. Board discussion. Fire Board requests that Asst. Chief Martin or Chief Hoffman contact Cost Recovery Corporation and invite a representative to the January board meeting.

Public Comments:

- A. Township resident supports the Board's investigation of the recovery of the cost for emergency services.

Motion by Wood, second Purtil to adjourn. CARRIED. Adjourned 7:47 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Webster, Secretary