

Deerfield Township Fire Board
Minutes for March 20, 2007

Members Present: D. Webster, D. Wood, T. Swanson, C. Purtill, Chief Hoffman, Asst. Chief Ryan Martin, Randy Martin (for Lynne Wyatt)

Member Absent: L. Wyatt

Guest: Regina Moore, Cost Recovery Corporation

Meeting called to order 7:03pm by Mr. Swanson, chair.

Motion by Wood, second Purtill to approve minutes of February 19, 2007 as submitted.
CARRIED.

Fire Chief's Report: Chief Hoffman

Beginning Cash Balance	\$106,852.61
Income	\$ 0.00
Bills to be paid	\$ 35,881.79
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 70,970.82

Four (4) Fire Runs for month of February

- 1 P.I. Accident with injuries
- 1 CO₂ Alarm
- 1 False alarm
- 1 Structure Fire with Nottawa-Sherman Fire Department

Unfinished Business:

- A. Application for Raffle for spring breakfast: Spring Breakfast April 22 - 50/50 Drawing. Action Complete.
- B. Repair of dry hydrant at Meridian Park. Complete.
- C. ISO Update: Walk-through still needs to be completed.
- D. Thermal Imaging Camera: Grant submitted to assist with cost (\$5,000)
- E. Cost Estimates for Generator for Fire Equipment Unit 8-13: Several quotes reviewed. Motion Wood, Second Martin to recommend to the board the purchase of a Honda EB3000C generator from Central Motor Sports for \$1199.00. CARRIED.
- F. Budget: 2007 budget received. Mr. Alan Johns and Mr. Walter Nelson participated in discussion to clarify items. Discussed several line items and the appropriate line item display of Special Assessment funds. Wage increase for Chief and Asst. Chief was briefly discussed; wage comparison with other departments was requested. Motion Purtill, second Wood to recommend approval of budget to the township board. CARRIED.

New Business:

- A. Fire Department personnel interested in hosting a Medical First Responder (MFR) and Fire Fighter 1 & 2 class.
- B. Regina Martin from Cost Recovery Corporation (CRC) from Dayton, Ohio addressed board. CRC will send bill for service directly to the homeowner's insurance company. CRC adds an administrative fee to the cost instead of a percentage of

- recovered cost. If insurance is denied CRC will send letter to homeowner; township determines the aggressiveness of cost recovery.
- C. Board will discuss AccuMed Billing, Inc & Cost Recovery Corporation at next meeting.

Public Comments:

- A. Mr. Alan Johns supported the township's continued investigation of a cost recovery procedure and in his opinion it would be in the township's best interest to have a company that specializes in cost recovery provide the service rather than the township attempt this process.

Motion Purtill, second Martin to adjourn. CARRIED. Adjourned 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Webster, Secretary