

Deerfield Township Fire Board
Minutes for April 21, 2008

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

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by chair.

Motion by Wyatt, second Webster to approve the minutes of March 17, 2008. APPROVED

Treasurer's Report: Bills presented for payment, \$2,587.34

Fire Chief's Report: Interim Chief Martin

Five (5) runs for the month of March

2 P.I. Accident

1 False alarms

1 Smoke Removal from furnace fire

1 Structure Fire

Old Business:

- A. ISO update: No report, waiting for new tender delivery. Will hold back 10% of final payment.
- B. Hydrosonic face piece cleaner: Motion by Wyatt, second Wood to recommend to township board the purchase from Paragon an Ultrasonics 2 mask cleaner for \$1559.75 plus MICHCO mask cleaner 4 gallon case for \$65.24. Total: \$1625.00 APPROVED.
- C. Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) compressor: No action
- D. BID notice for 8-20.

New Business:

- A. Informational item: Michigan Inter-Governmental Trade Network.
- B. Presented form for authorization for release of information for background check; form will become part of Fire Department SOGs.
- C. Motion by Wood, second Wyatt to recommend to the township board the purchase of the following equipment from Douglas Safety: 4 Wildland Backpack Fire Pumps \$115.00 each for a total of \$460.00 and 4 Wildland Fire Brooms at \$13.75 each for a total of \$55.00. Total: \$515.00 APPROVED.
- D. Presented information regarding the migration of radios to 12.5KHz. Expenses will be budgeted over the next 5 years.
- E. Discussion regarding sell of used equipment: Porta-tank, Pop Dispenser, old Wildland Fire Backpacks. Selling of such equipment must be in accordance to township policy.
- F. Cost comparison for wages per fire run presented.
- G. Discussion regarding the hiring of new fire chief.

Public Comments: 1) Comment regarding fire board role with hiring fire chief. 2) Complement to fire department. 3) Discussion of role of fire board members regarding payment of bills. 4) Discussion regarding use of trucks not associated with fire run. Asst. Chief Martin informed board that state requires 40 hours per year driving time on rigs. Board suggested that a log be placed in each rig to monitor and document use of truck and record of driving time. 5) Fire Department will be hosting driver training on May 24.

Motion by Wood, second Purtill to adjourn. APPROVED. Adjourn 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Webster, Secretary