

Marine City Fire Authority

Minutes of Meeting Held on August 21, 2013

Meeting called to order by Larry Simons, Chair, at 7:00 p.m. After Pledge of Allegiance led by same, a moment of silence was observed.

Present: Tom Whitenight and Kelly Lisco, Cottrellville Twp; Steve McConnell, Marine City; Julia Rust and Linda Schwehofer, China Twp; Larry Simons, East China.

Absent: Howard Draft, Lisa Hendrick and Don Beaudua. Members excused.

Communications: Chief Slankster wanted the Board members to know that he has met with Howard Draft and that Howard really wanted to come, but he had a setback with his health.

Approval of agenda: Motion by Linda Schwehofer to approve agenda with one addition, Personal Action Forms. Supported by Steve McConnell A/A M/C.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Kelly Lisco, supported by Tom Whitenight to accept as presented. A/A M/C.

Public Comment: None.

Chief's Report: Chief's Report was received and will be filed. Additionally he wanted to report that Maritime Days were covered. Tom Whitenight asked if we have been receiving money for inspections. Chief replied that they have been billed, not received yet. Also lights have been replaced on Engine 1.

Unfinished Business: Bids opened: Thompson Cement were as follows: Part 1, Removal and Replace west side apron; \$12,200. Part 2, Remove and replace and prep material for front; \$13,910. Part 3, Trench Drain; \$5,875.

Connin Cement bids as follows: Part 1, \$10,950. Part 2, \$11,380. And Part 3, \$14,300. Due to the fact that there was such a variance, especially in Part 3 bids

a motion was made by Linda Schwehofer, supported by Kelly Lisco to table until better specs are given and the number of drains are clarified. A/A M/C.

Bids were then opened for blacktop and were as follows: Currier's included blacktop, cracks sealed, sealcoat the rest and stripe parking lot and to repaint the no-parking signs for a bid of \$4,100.

Ashcom Pavement would include hot sealcoat and rubber work for a bid of \$4,827.94. Tom Whitenight asked if the money would be coming out of the \$15,000. Chief said no, that there was a line item with available monies.

Motion by Julia Rust to go with Currier for bid of \$4,100. Motion supported by Steve McConnell. Roll call vote was taken and all present voted Aye. No nays. M/C. Linda Schwehofer commented that Currier is local and the job they did for us was very good. The Board recommended that we will wait until other cement work is done to do blacktop work.

Unfinished Business: continued Item b. Approval of Resolutions.

Approval of Resolution No. 2013-05 that states: A resolution to approve the fund transfer from the building repair fund to the payroll-wages fund. The wording was offered by Larry Simons and supported by Steve McConnell. Roll call vote was taken by all present. A/A M/C.

Approval of Resolution No. 2013-06 that states: A Resolution to approve a change to the employee classification wage/reimbursement table. The wording was offered by Linda Schwehofer, supported by Kelly Lisco. Roll call vote was taken by all present. A/A M/C.

Approval of Resolution No 2013-07 to be eliminated. A roll call vote was taken by all present. A/A M/C to eliminate this resolution No. 2013-07.

New Business: Personal Action Form

It was reported by the Chief that we have one new hire, Jeremy Schoen, last Friday and with his experience and service that he would be at \$8.00 per hour.

Paul Schulte, Andrew Deroth and Jeff LeRoy all have MFR Class, Firefighter 1 and 2. with 1 year service wage to go from \$7.40 per hour to \$10.00. The budget has been increased to cover. Having said that, a motion was made by Steve McConnell to put those figures in place, supported by Tom Whitenight. Roll call vote taken by all present. A/A M/C.

Financial Business: Motion made by Linda Schwehofer, supported by Kelly Lisco that disbursements in the amount of \$19,657.98 be paid. Roll call vote taken by all present. A/A M/C.

Jennifer will call the office of McBride, our Auditor, to make an appointment on how to schedule audit.

Board Member Comments: Steve McConnell wanted to confirm when our next meeting will be October 16th, the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Also Steve wanted to let everyone know that the Fireman's Memorial is a great event and would encourage those who have never attended to do so. They honored Jack Ameel the 3rd weekend in September in Roscommon.

Linda Schwehofer wanted to thank all the firefighters for the good job that they do and also commented on the smooth transition that took place with the books.

Julia Rust also wanted to say thank you everybody!

Kelly Lisco wanted to thank the firefighters for getting out so quickly to their meeting the night she called.

Tom Whitenight, nothing at this time.

Chief wanted to let everyone know that St. Mark's Church wanted to help serve a benefit for the Draft Family on September 21st. Joe will keep everyone posted. They had a boat there in Port Huron for the float down. Also that night they had a water rescue call at the Ferry Dock. This had to do with the man in scuba gear, caught smuggling weed in from Canada. The Border Patrol is so secretive

about everything, that they were down there for hours before they knew they had gotten the man in custody, not drowned!

The Chief reported that 1 employee was terminated due to non-participation. They went through the SOG's. He hasn't returned his radio yet.

Jennifer suggested that although it will be hard, since we would be dealing with Canada, to try and get some restitution from the man caught smuggling since this cost our Authority money to pay the firefighters/rescue unit's wages.

Larry Simons remarked on how great the flowers out front look thanks to Jennifer's watering!

Motion made by Linda Schwehofer to adjourn meeting at 8:06. Motion supported by Steve McConnell. A/A M/C.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Schwehofer, Secretary