

# **JOINT FIRE COMMISSION MEETING MINTUES**

**Thursday, July 18, 2019 – 6:00 PM**

**Bertschinger Center – Hwy 42 Egg Harbor**

## **1. Call meeting to order.**

Scherer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Clarence Scherer, Deborah Wiegand, Ulla Walser, Bill Miller, Rick Malkemus, Chief Steve Schopf and Lynn Ohnesorge. Bill Edwards was absent. Those also in attendance were Lisa Van Laanen, Andy Staats and Dan Kiehnau.

## **2. Adopt agenda.**

Miller moved to adopt the agenda, second by Wiegand, motion carried.

## **3. Open session – Ten minutes.**

## **4. Review and approve minutes of June 20, 2019 meeting.**

Malkemus moved to approve the minutes from June 20, 2019 with corrections, second by Wiegand, motion carried.

## **5. Fire Chief / First Responder report.**

- 6 Fire calls for June
  - A motor vehicle accident on Hwy. 42
  - A smoke detector which was a false alarm on County E
  - A motor vehicle accident and extricated a person out of the vehicle on Hwy. 42
  - A water craft rescue of a small sailboat and had mutual aid from Gibraltar and Ephraim on Glenwood Rd.
  - A power pole was on fire on Hwy. 42
- 8 First responder calls for June
- The ex-fireman that Chief Schopf sent a letter to requesting all his gear back met with chief Schopf and turned in his pager and gave a check for the dress blues since he can't find them.
- Wiegand asked if the check was enough money for the items not turned in.
- Chief stated yes it is enough money.
- On consensus of the commission the check for the items is ok to accept.
- The Fire Association will be looking at purchasing a command vehicle and they will be talking about it at the next officers meeting.
- The Fire Association is also looking into buying a Portaccount and some air packs.
- The County received two quotes on privatization of the counties EMS service. The companies stated that what we have now is the best and they can't do any better. They will consult with the County to make improvements.
- Chief Schopf purchased hardware for about \$200.00 which will allow the department to reprogram their pagers. Prior to this it was costing \$20.00 every time a pager needed to be reprogrammed.

- They had a joint meeting with Gibraltar on rope training.

**6. Preliminary 2020 department budget discussion.**

- At the last officers meeting Chief Schopf asked for everyone to compile lists for next year's budget.

**7. Warranty / acceptance issues for Tender #5.**

- Tender #5 went in for repair. Staats asked the company to test the foam system too. An axel seal broke when Custom Fab was driving the truck back for repairs. Custom Fab had the seal replaced.
- The overflow issue was fixed and the foam system repaired. Staats will test it and see if it is fixed, soon.
- On the driver's side the two mounts that hold the lighting in place are dented. Staats will try to fix this.
- The basic warranty on the truck is for one year and it is out of warranty since it is over one year old.
- Tender #5 is back in Egg Harbor and repaired.
- We didn't see the foam testing being done.
- One of our men was sent down to pick up tender #5.
- Malkemus asked if the foam works and if the driver was fixed.
- Staats stated that the driver was replaced and the foam was supposed to be working.

**8. Future refurbishing of truck #6.**

- Chief Schopf will have the numbers for the budget in October.
- Scherer asked what was the amount added for where they stated to add 10% to cost.
- Chief Schopf stated that you should add 10% to quote for unknown items that might turn up during refurbishment.

**9. Approval of bills for month.**

- Total of the bills for the month were \$437.25.  
Miller moved to approve the bills for the month, second by Malkemus, motion carried.

Wiegand moved to table item 10. Convene into closed session per state statutes 19.85(1)(c), second by Walser, motion carried.

**10. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION PER STATE STATUTES 19.85(1) (c)  
considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any  
public employee over which the governing body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.  
(Fire Chief Performance  
Evaluation.)**

**11. Convene into open session to take formal action upon the preceding subject of the  
closed session, if appropriate.**

**12. Set time, location and agenda items for next meeting.**

The next meeting is on August 15, 2019 at Carlsville at 6:00 p.m.

**13. Adjourn**

Miller moved to adjourn, second by Wiegand, motion carried.

*Respectfully Submitted by,  
Lynn Ohnesorge  
Clerk-Treasurer  
Village of Egg Harbor*