

**Minutes
Joint Powers Meeting
Stacy Lent Area Fire Department
June 5, 2017 at 7:00 pm**

STACY CALLS MEETING TO ORDER

M. Utecht called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA

M. Ness made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by J. Ness. All in favor, motion carried for Stacy.

R. Keller made a motion to concur with Stacy's motion. Second by B. Seekon. All in favor, motion carried for Lent.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 6, 2017 MEETING

M. Ness made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2017 Joint Powers meeting. Second by J. Ness. All in favor, motion carried for Stacy.

T. Nelson made a motion to concur with Stacy's motion. Second by B. Seekon. All in favor, motion carried for Lent.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief B. Schroeder commented on the following:

- Run volumes have been up the last two quarters
 - Most of them are first responder calls
- They have been doing pretty well with the budget so far
 - The new equipment will be \$7k
- He and L. Granberg went to a class on gear
 - The new hoods keep everything away from the body
 - After a structure fire the gear will go in the washer right away
 - The turnout gear gets washed on a regular schedule and is documented
 - The new turn out coats go way up the hand to protect the wrist

- 2 new people were hired
 - One of the two has left because of the commitment it takes to be on the department
 - He noted that he is really impressed with the one that was hired

- They have 29 members
 - There are 2 on leave
 - 1 will be gone in six months
 - 1 will be leaving soon

The City and Township are going to help advertise the open positions. The SLFD has room for six new members to bring them up to full staff. Mayor Utecht invited Chief Schroeder to the City Council meeting to talk about the openings.

B. Schroeder also noted he wanted to get on the Township agenda to talk about upgrades to the Fire Hall.

RELIEF ASSOCIATION REPORT

N. Peltier handed out a form showing investment gains and he pointed out that they are gaining money. The market is doing well for them. He explained that the short term is not gaining much which is a good thing because that means the long term is doing well.

They are well over 100% funded. At the current rate, they are going to ask for another increase in benefits. N. Peltier said that the request will probably be \$300 like it was last year.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW RESCUE TRUCK

L. Granberg said that the truck is on track for a July delivery. The rough body was in the paint booth and by next week they should have more to look at.

BYLAWS

B. Schroeder made corrections to the bylaws and sent the copy to S. Payne. She is going to make the changes.

AUTOMATIC MUTUAL AID

B. Schroeder said that this is finished and they have already trained with them.

INSURANCE

The City of Stacy is getting a quote from their insurance company for the Fire Department. They will check with S. Payne and try to have it ready for the next Joint Power's meeting. K. Wood is going to put it on the September 11, 2017 agenda.

AUDIT

M. Utecht said that the City's Attorney told him that if the Fire Department's budget is over \$200k they have to be audited annually.

M. Utecht said that their Auditor would be able to audit the Fire Department. They have been happy with the service and price. He is going to share the Auditor's information with B. Schroeder and the Township.

NEW BUSINESS

OLD RESCUE TRUCK

B. Schroeder asked what they should do with the old rescue truck when they get the new rig because they own it. They have put a lot of money into the transmission. He would like to get rid of it along with the grass rig. They need a dually to haul trailers.

The grass rig is a 1993 350 Ford given to them by the DNR.

B. Schroeder wants the equipment to do something at a fire and not just haul things. The new truck will replace the most used rig on the department.

J. Ness made a motion to sell the old rescue truck when the new truck is in and in working order. Second by M. Utecht. All in favor, motion carried for Stacy.

B. Seekon made a motion to concur with Stacy's motion. Second by L. Johnson. All in favor, motion carried for Lent.

J. Ness made a motion for the money made to go toward replacing Grass 7. Second by M. Ness. All in favor, motion carried for Stacy.

B. Seekon made a motion to concur with Stacy's motion. Second by R. Keller. All in favor, motion carried for Lent.

ADJOURN

M. Utecht declared the meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

BOARD/COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brian Seekon
Carolyn Cagle
Troy Nelson
Rick Keller
Lyle Johnson
James Ness
Tony Olivolo
Mark Utecht
Chuck Lucia
Mark Ness

FIREFIIGHTERS PRESENT:

Brad Schroeder
Nick Peltier
Larry Granberg



RICK KELLER
CHAIR, TOWNSHIP OF LENT



MARK UTECHT
MAYOR, CITY OF STACY



KELLY WOOD
JOINT POWERS SECRETARY

APPROVED 9/11, 2017



Minutes submitted by K. Wood, Joint Powers Secretary