

Minutes
Joint Powers Meeting
Stacy Lent Fire Department
30785 Forest Blvd., Stacy, MN 55079
March 7, 2022 at 7:00 pm

LENT CALLS MEETING TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

R. Keller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge was recited.

REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by J. Eischens. All in favor, motion carried for Lent. M. Ness made a motion to concur with Lent. Second by M. Utecht. All in favor, motion carried for Stacy.

APPROVE THE DECEMBER 6, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the December 6, 2021 meeting minutes. Second by C. Cagle. All in favor, motion carried for Lent. M. Ness made a motion to concur with Lent. T. Sawatzky seconded. All in favor, motion carried for Stacy.

CHIEF'S REPORT

T. Potrament reported on the following:

27 Members, 1 New, 1 Retired (Pottsmith)

The new Chief truck is in service pole barn. On 23rd from 6-9 pm, there will be an award ceremony with food made by Tony.

RELIEF ASSOCIATION REPORT

C. Pate said that all the new paperwork is taken care of at the bank and N. Peltier is taking care of PERA paperwork until the audit is done. Coleen highly suggests that they change the name to take out the relief part. They said that other departments are also having this issue. It is \$480 per hour for the lawyer if they have a meeting with them to discuss a name and bylaws change. C. Pate said they do not want to change the name if they do not have to. Not changing the name is supported by the Joint Powers.

OLD BUSINESS

Budget

T. Potrament said that they need to raise the budget because of the increase in insurance and wages. S. Olson said their budget has been the same for 14 years and would like to increase it ten percent. M. Peltier's PERA was discussed and will come out of wages. The increase will be discussed at the Town's Annual Meeting.

PERA SLFD Relief Association

N. Peltier said they need one more year of audit and S. Bengston will take over the general fund. The special fund has been taken care of. N. Peltier is doing the final audit. J. Meyer wants his money through the state and the state will cut him a check. N. Peltier will not be a treasurer any more.

American Rescue Plan Act

S. Olson asked if the money can be used for radios and C. Cagle said that she will check on this. The SLFD will get additional quotes for a new furnace.

Treasurer Position Progress

Already discussed

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Chiefs

The votes remained the same.

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the positions as voted by the members: T. Potrament as Chief, Scott Olson as Assistant Chief, and Kurt Williams as Chief 3. Second by C. Cagle. All in favor, motion carried for Lent. M. Ness made a motion to concur with Lent. T. Sawatzky seconded. All in favor, motion carried for Stacy.

Painting SLFD Bays

T. Potrament said that the bays need painting as well as the posts outside. S. Olson noted that a commercial pressure washer may be needed. They are getting a quote in sections right now.

SCBA Payment

T. Nelson said that he wanted to look into this further. M. Utecht said that the ARPA funds do not need to be spent right away. Radios were discussed.

ADJOURN

B. Seekon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm. Second by C. Cagle. All in favor, motion carried for Lent. M. Utecht declared the meeting adjourned for Stacy at 7:31 pm.

The next Joint Powers meeting is Monday, June 6, 2022. Stacy will preside.

Stacy/Lent Present

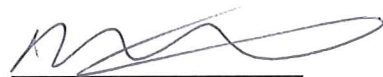
Rick Keller
Troy Nelson
Brian Seekon
Carolyn Cagle
Jess Eischens
Mark Utecht
Mark Ness
Tim Sawatzky

Firefighters Present


TJ Potrament
Scott Olson
Kurt Williams
Shawn Bengston
Matt Thompson
Chris Pate
Larry Granberg
Nick Peltier

Others Present

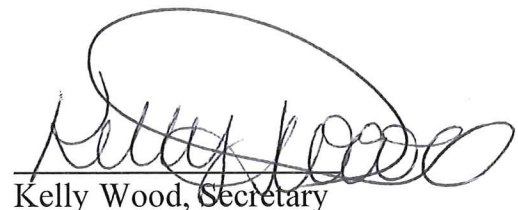
Kelly Wood
Jen Seekon



Mark Utecht, Mayor



Rick Keller, Chair



Kelly Wood, Secretary

