



Powell Township Fire Department
Minutes of Regular Meeting
January 28th 2021
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Meeting called to order at: 1912hrs, by Chief Sutter at Station 1

Members Present: Assist Chief Brian Roell, Assist Chief Matt Anderson, Capt. Greg Ochylski, Capt. Josh Boudreaux

Excused Absences: Dustin Taylor, Ryan Iacovacci, David Weber, Captain Chauncey Moran

Guests Present: Township Fire Liaison Samantha Morin

Approval of Minutes: Dec 10th Meeting Minutes Roell/Anderson
Dec 17th Special Budget Meeting Minutes Anderson/Roell

Monthly Pager Test: completed at 1813 hrs All working ok

Review of Calls / Events:

- 01/10/21 Vehicle Accident with Injuries Balke Ave & Bensinger
- 01/23/21 Chimney Fire on Brown Deer Road

County Firefighter's Report: Nothing to report

Station Report #1: January – Sutter/Moran 2101 has no high idle anymore this was discovered on the chimney fire last weekend, Twp was advised of the issue and there are a couple of bulbs burnt out on the pump panel. 2104 is still out of service, and 2105 failed its last pump test and has been drained of all its water.

Station Report #2: January – Weber / Roell advised he glued the snaps back in place and put the hose bed cover back on 2102. Boudreaux advised 2103 has had the water drained from it. 2103 is out of service with a broken leaf spring.

Committee Reports:

- SOP Committee: Nothing to report

Chief Engineer's Report:

- No high idle on 2101, Hose bed cover has been reattached on 2101.

Old Business:

1. **Covid Update:** Fire Station Guest Restrictions are still in place for both Fire and EMS personnel, an updated memo has been posted at both stations.
2. **2nd Discussion on our 2021-2022 Budget** – short discussion, updated proposed budget handed out.
3. We are still awaiting quotes for **multiple safety issues/items at station 1 that need to be addressed** and we need to make sure we set money aside to address these issues. OSHA Violations in the Loft, stairs, kitchen door install, entrance doors sill plates, and the desk install. We have recently had more contractors up to bid on these things but still awaiting quotes. Last contractor up was 01/19/21
4. 1 of the 3 needed **Hurst hoses** was ordered and arrived today. That should get us back up and running with at least one tool for now. Other set of hoses to be purchased in the next budget year after April 1st

5. Still waiting on a **quote for wiring 2106 with a shoreline**. Quotes sought from Marquette Automotive and R&R.
6. A new **100' Garden Hose and Nozzle** has been purchased for station 1 to replace the old hose filled with holes.
7. **New trash cans** for the bathroom and kitchen have been purchased for st 1 to replace damaged ones.
8. **Pop Machine** has finally been fixed and repaired with no cost to the FD, thanks to Jack Cram for his help with this. It needed a new compressor and misc. parts.
9. **Twp released the HMC Grant funds** to purchase the new fire rescue boat. There were a couple last minute items that were brought to my attention. **SCBA Quick Fill \$150** from equip fund, discussion followed. *Boudreaux/Ochylski, motion passed* and **boat lettering/ dept identification \$250** "Powell Fire / Rescue" discussion followed. *Ochylski/Anderson, motion passed*.
10. Will be discussing **boat trailer options** with ems as they have shown interest in helping with that. \$1500 for the trailer if ordered from Inmar but its \$1800 in shipping. Discussion followed, I will continue looking for other inflatable boat trailer options before presenting a final recommendation.
11. **2106 is headed to midas monday** morning. Is anyone avail to help drop off the truck in the morning? Ochylski advised he is available to help.
12. **2103 and 2104 are still out of service**, do not drive these vehicles they have broken leaf springs.
13. **906 Locks Update**: Still awaiting info on the new locks 906 offered to install.
14. **COVID Vaccine update**. Bell's date for Powell Fire is 02/04 between 1000-1600hrs. If anyone else is interested that window for notification closes tonight. I have 3 on the list for them as of right now.

New Business:

1. **Rudy needs new fire boots** that fit him. He wears a size 13. Quote from Oshkosh Police Fire \$298 plus free shipping direct from manufacturer. He also needs bunker pants but will wait until the new budget year for those. *Ochylski/Roell, motion passed*.
2. \$140 for a new **air hose / reel** for the new compressor plus fittings kit. Discussion followed. *Ochylski/Anderson, motion passed*.
3. \$429 to have **3 of 7 pagers repaired** (\$143 each) We have no spare working pagers and 2 new members that will need them. Discussion followed. *Bourdreaux/Ochylski, motion passed*.
4. **Station Duty Roster for Station 1**. Assignments will be posted soon.
5. **Regional SCBA AFG Grant** – MCFFA/Negaunee Twp Hosting SCBA grant, with a grant writer. With less then a weeks time given to complete all needed documentation we were able to get everything submitted. This would not have been possible without the help of: Assist Chief Roell, Capt Ochylski, Capt Boudreaux, the Gertz Twins, Trustee December, Supervisor Turner, Treasurer Sentilli, and Clerk Morin. We also opted to submit for turnout gear as well. Total Grant Request was for \$183,510 Fed Part \$166,828.94 Powell's part \$16,681.06 with shared grant writer fees. This grant request is for 16 new scba packs/bottles/masks, and 14 sets of new turnout gear.
6. We qualify for a **vehicle grant** through AFG as well but vehicles were not high on their priority list this year so I didn't want to push our luck. But just to know we do have options for a regional tow vehicle, and brush truck through the AFG. Discussion followed.

Public/Open Comment:

- Township would like **updated W4 forms** if anything has changed with your deductions.
- New recruit Ryan Iacovacci and his wife welcomed their new baby girl into the world on 01/23 all are healthy & doing ok.
- Update on Rudy Goupille's FF Class: Rudy emailed me earlier in the week and we were going to chat on the phone however we missed our window before this meeting.
- On the Chimney Fire call last weekend we had an issue with 2102 almost getting stuck in the driveway. The heat from the engine/pump melted the snow below the truck into a sheet of ice. Luckily the

homeowner had a trash can full of ash we were able to use to get unstuck. Ochylski advised we had a tube of sand in our vehicles but they were all removed years ago and never returned. I will purchase a few sand bags so we can once again have a way to help us if we end up in a similar situation.

- It was asked why the trailer was not put up for sale with the pontoon boat. Clerk Moran advised the trailer was purchased by Parks and Rec, EMS, and Fire.
- Roell would like to see the return of Pizza at the march meeting/training night.
- Roell provided an update for the Spaceport, environmental study to begin soon. First rocket is expected to launch from the site in about 3-5yrs and they have identified the command and control facility which will be at the Chippewa County International Air Port.
- Ochylski – Status of David Weber will he be taking the next FF Exam? Discussion followed.

Equipment and supplies requested:

- \$298 from training budget for Rudy's Boots
- \$429 from communications budget for 3 pagers to be repaired
- \$140 from equipment budget for new air hose/reel/fittings
- \$250 from equipment budget for the lettering on the new boat

Building repairs requested:

- Awaiting quotes still

General Funds Balance: \$26,284.03 / 61.85% used **Donated Funds Balance:** \$38,441.70 / 0.22% used

Next Meeting / Upcoming Training / Upcoming Events:

Next Regular Meeting Feb 25th Station 1 @ 1900hrs

Decembers's Online Training was: ATS RE007 - Water & Ice Rescue

January's Online Training: ATS RE001 Rescue Apparatus & Equipment

County FF Meeting Feb 16th 1930hrs - location to be determined still

Township Meeting Feb 16th 1900hrs in person or Online www.Freeconferencecall.com

Free Conference Call Meeting ID: *powelltownshipboard*

Station Duty for February is: Station 1 Ochylski Station 2 - Roell

Tonight's Training: **Business Meeting / Ice Rescue Equipment Review**

Business Meeting Adjourned at: 2100hrs *Roell/Ochylski*

Minutes Prepared by: Chief Sutter

Chief's Notes:

I am currently working on a department needs assessment and year end summary as we wrap up our 2020-2021 Budget Year. I am also working on adjusting our 2021-2022 Budget to align with departmental needs and our top priorities to address in 2021.

Our 2021 Station Duty Rotation is as follows:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Station 1</u>	<u>Station 2</u>
January	Sutter	Weber
February	Ochylski	Roell
March	Cram	Boudreaux

April	Desmet	Weber
May	Pelto	Roell
June	Goupille/St1 Ofc	Boudreaux
July	Demay	Weber
August	Moran	Roell
September	Anderson	Boudreaux
October	Iacovacci/St1 Ofc	Weber
November	Sutter	Roell
December	Ochylski	Boudreaux