



# Powell Township Fire Department Minutes of Regular Meeting December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021



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Approved 01/13/2022

**Meeting called to order at:** 2015hrs, by Chief Sutter at Eagle Mine

**Members Present:** Assist Chief Brian Roell, Capt. Josh Boudreaux, Capt. Greg Ochylski, FF Rudy Goupille

**Excused Absences:** Assist Chief Matt Anderson, Capt. Chauncey Moran, FF Dustin Taylor, FF Tyler Stansky, FF Trainee Collin McWebb, FF Trainee David Weber

**Guests Present:** Eagle Mine Training Coordinator Derek Dougavito

**Approval of Minutes:** October 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes Goupille / Boudreaux

**Monthly Pager Test:** completed at \_\_\_\_\_hrs All working ok / not ok (Test not performed)

**Review of Calls / Events:**

- 2021-031 Lockout to Auto on KA
- 2021-032 Brush Fire 80x40 Thomas Rock by Parking Area

**County Firefighter's Report:** 08/17/21 MCFFA Meeting Minutes Posted at St1

**Station #1 Report:** November – 2104 is still out of service. Sutter: 2105 went in for gasket repairs 11/22, 2106 blew its heater core and went into Mqt Auto on 11/23 for repairs and is now back in service. St1 Generator is OOS awaiting quotes. 2104 needed to be jump started to move. 2 air bottles on 2101 were very low and needed to be filled 01-03 and 01-07 however our Cascade bottles need to be refilled our highest bottle was at 1900 which is not enough to top off our air bottles. AED on 2101 has a dead battery that needs to be replaced. Portable Hand Light on 2101 is cracked and damaged and needs to be replaced.

**Station #2 Report:** November – 2103 is still out of service. Roell: St2 rear bay storage racks were removed and taken to the dump. Both vehicles were washed and bays were cleaned up. 1 SCBA Airpack from 2102 was showing double red flashing lights and may need service. Pack 02-01 was taken out of service and is on the bench at st1.

**Committee Reports:**

- Training Committee Report: Boudreaux, Goupille: Information / guiding documents emailed out to committee members on 11/20/21 for review. 1<sup>st</sup> Mtg Held week of the 15<sup>th</sup>. Boudreaux: Working with Goupille on a new training schedule. Would like to do snowmobile /ice rescue training for the next class. 2022 Possible Extrication Class w/Nari's Vehicles, Forcible Entry Practice.

**Chief Engineer's Report:**

- McWebb still needs to setup an appointment to go over the apparatus.

## Announcements:

- **Fire Station Guest Restrictions** Will remain in place as variants make there way around, please continue to exercise caution if you are feeling ill.
- **2103 & 2104 are still out of service** – these vehicles should still be checked during station duty but not driven off property.
- **Station 2 Septic Field** – Pete advised it will need to be replaced in the spring for right now they will be pumping the tank until the field can be replaced. This issue is being managed by the Twp. If your a st2 FF please use those facilities sparingly for right now.
- **The next FFI & II Academy** will be held at Chocolay Twp Fire Department and begins January 4<sup>th</sup> and ends June 4<sup>th</sup>. Class will be held Tuesday and Wednesday Nights with a few Saturdays for practicals. Already submitted to the board for approval to send 2 people. McWebb has already confirmed, waiting on Iacovacci. Books and P84 Hoods have already been ordered.
- **Fire Rescue One Online Training for 2021** - Cram, Demay, and Desmet still need to complete their registration.
- **CPR Certifications** – For those that have not forwarded their CPR card email, please forward it or print it off and drop it in the Chief's mailbox at st1. Captain Moran, and FF Demay please check your email for the hybrid CPR class info.
- **As of November 3<sup>rd</sup> the new MFFTC Rules have gone into effect.** Your FF Cert will be transitioning to a 3yr license with 36hrs of documented continuing education/training that will now be required by the state with a minimum of 6hrs in any given year. I will forward more information from the Fire Marshal's Office as soon as it becomes available.

## Old Business:

1. **906 Station Lock Update:** They sent me an email this morning advising they will be scheduling the install of the locks and fobs for next week. Date TBD
2. **Gear Inventory Sheets** – This is from April Anderson, Moran, Demay, Desmet, Pelto, Iacovacci, Stansky, McWebb. These need to be turned in so we can order t-shirts, hats and winter jackets. Please complete and turn them in ASAP. We will not be placing an order until everyone's sheets are turned in.
3. **Water Rescue Safety Gear / MCPFF Grant:** Still waiting on the 4 vest knives all other items have been received and are in service.
4. **Mice Issue at Station 2:** Poison and traps have been set. Holes in the walls from previous remodel efforts have been identified and need to be patched.
5. **State Boiler Inspections are overdue** . Finally heard back from our insurance carrier they have scheduled the Boiler Inspections for 02/22/22 at 1400hrs.
6. **Annual DOT Inspections.** Will be delayed until the 2022 Pump Testing so we have time to repair or correct vehicles that failed their last DOT.
7. **AFG Grant for a new Brush Truck.** Paperwork is in progress, awaiting quotes still.
8. **Replacement Combustible Gas Leak Detector for Station 1.** Alternative funding / local grant has been located and I will work on this after the AFG Grant.
9. **SCBA Fit Testing:** Demay, Moran, Anderson, Iacovacci still need to complete SCBA Mask Fit testing. This will have to be scheduled individually with Marquette Township Fire Department to be completed. Those that still need it please let me know when you are available so we can get this scheduled.
10. **Annual Vehicle Maintenance:** R&R has been approved by the board, I have reached out to them several times I am just been awaiting a phone call back confirming a service date.

**New Business:**

1. **Voting on repairs, service or items to purchase.** It has been brought to my attention that some members would not like to bog down meetings with all the items required to run the daily operations side of the department every month. Discussion followed. It was suggested that perhaps items that fall outside of our budget or would provide a new or expanded service to the department, that those items should be voted on or any items the Chief feels may need a consensus. In lieu of voting on every item below \$500, or voting on required repairs, service or replacement items needed to properly function, a summary of monthly activity will be provided at the meetings instead. A motion was made by Ochylski/Goupille, all present approved, motion passed.
2. **Station 1 Generator is OOS** – During its annual maintenance UP Energy Systems advised there was no voltage output, upon further diagnosis they found the stator windings have shorted out and needs to be replaced. Cost is \$3000 to repair, a new generator may cost over \$5,000. 3 quotes have been received this will need to be discussed with the twp board next.
3. **City of Marquette Fleet Maintenance Agreement** – I have been working with Carl Miller from the City of Marquette to try and work out an agreement to help us with our fleet service and repairs. Marq City Agreement has been submitted to the board for review on 11/19/21.
4. We may need to send **SCBA Air Pack 02-01 to Oshkosh Fire & Police Equipment for repairs and flow testing** if its not just an issue with the batteries.
5. **Station 2 Electrical Service Head is broken.** After further investigation as to how this happened it was realized that its below the metal roof line and it was probably taken out by sheets of ice and snow. This mast head should be relocated to the back corner of the building to avoid further damage from sheets of ice and snow. Awaiting repair quote.
6. **A Meeting Fee Stipend for Monthly Station Duty** – Has been submitted to the Twp Supv for review along with an updated version of our Preventative Maintenance Policy and Check Sheets. In order for this to be approved we need to show that we are completing our station duties and filling out repair requests for items that can not be resolved during station duty. Repair Request Forms will be an integral part for sending vehicles down to the City of Marq to complete repair/service requests next year.

**Public/Open Comment:**

- Sutter We need to start thinking about our 2022-2023 Budget and identify any items or priorities we may want to address in the next budget year. 2022 Will be time for annual pump testing / DOT Inspections, and Hurst Tool service. Also 2021 Hose & Ladder Testing has been pushed to spring 2022.
- Dougavito – L'Anse will be hosting a Firefighter I&II Academy starting December 6<sup>th</sup> if interested. The road is open from Fords Corner by Eagle Mine to L'Anse.

**Equipment and supplies requested:**

- SCBA Pack 02-01 may need to be sent in to OFPE for service/repair
- 2101's AED Battery needs replacement \$125
- 2101 Handlight/Lantern is damaged and needs replacement \$170

**Building or Vehicle repairs requested:**

- Station 1 Generator
- Station 2 Electrical Mast Head

**General Funds Balance:** \$38,318.15 / 44.59% used    **Donated Funds Balance:** \$38,953.26 / 5.05% used

**Next Meeting / Upcoming Training / Upcoming Events:**

Next Regular Meeting December 30<sup>th</sup> @ 1800hrs / Training: Snowmobile Ops  
County FF Meeting December 14<sup>th</sup> 2021 – Richmond Twp FD  
Township Meeting December 21<sup>st</sup> @ 1900hrs in person or Online [www.Freeconferencecall.com](http://www.Freeconferencecall.com)  
Free Conference Call Meeting ID: *powelltownshipboard*

**Station Duty for December:**      Station 1 – McWebb/Anderson                      Station 2 - Bourdeaux

Tonight's Training: **EAGLE MINE Site visit and mine safety training / Business Meeting**

**Business Meeting Adjourned at:** 2035hrs                      **Minutes Prepared by:** Chief Sutter

Chief's Notes: None

Our 2021 Station Duty Rotation is as follows:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Station 1</u>	<u>Station 2</u>
November	Sutter	Roell
December	McWebb/Anderson	Boudreaux - Change Air Pack Batteries

Please sign-up for the month you would like to do station duty next year. First come first serve.....

Our 2022 Station Duty Rotation is as follows:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Station 1</u>	<u>Station 2</u>
January	_____	Weber
February	_____	Roell
March	_____	Boudreaux- Change Air Pack Batteries
April	Goupille	Weber
May	_____	Roell
June	_____	Boudreaux- Change Air Pack Batteries
July	_____	Weber
August	_____	Roell
September	_____	Boudreaux- Change Air Pack Batteries
October	_____	Weber
November	Sutter	Roell
December	_____	Boudreaux- Change Air Pack Batteries