

Powell Township Fire Department Officer / Staff Meeting Minutes March 27th 2024



Meeting started at: 1800hrs

Members's Present: Anderson, Roell, Sutter, Boudreaux

Guests Present: Steve Girard, Tony Fortunato, Mitch Walker

Review of Calls / Events:

• 2025-004 03/08/25 Snowmobile Accident w/injuries Lake Independence / Perkins Park

• 2025-005 03/11/25 Chimney Fire on Bensinger

County Firefighter's Report: Pending MCFFA Mtg Minutes

Station #1 Report: Stocker not present. Station Duty Sheets turned in, all appeared good

Station #2 Report: Roell 2102's Go Light will need to be looked at, Bay door molding still needs repairs. A layer

of ice was found in the bathroom toilet, heat appears to be working ok

Committee & Auxiliary Reports:

- Truck Committee: Roell FEMA Grant Update, Chassis cost & performance bond updates
- Training Committee: Trustee Hudson advised of a training opportunity Commercial Drone Operator Class \$495 5-Weeks of in person training every Tuesday starting 04/08 1700-2000hrs @ NMU Dome Boudreaux advised Vargo maybe interested in attending

Billing Report:

• 2025-005 Chimney Fire Invoice \$700

Announcements:

• Anderson: Please be prepared / clean shaven for next months annual scba mask fit testing April 24th

Old Business:

- 1. 2025/2026 FD Budget: The 2025/2026 FD Budget was approved at \$80,600, hard copy on the table
- 2. 2024/2025 Budget Wrap up, items to address before end of the budget year;
 - 1. 2104's Emergency Lights still need replacement, \$1000 approved for this repair from 2024 budget
 - 2. Station 2 Garage Door seals still need to be repaired to keep the elements and mice out. Will be looking into garage door companies for repair estimates
 - 3. Station 1 Replacement Gas Stove Twp approved / purchased, awaiting install
 - **4. Station 1 Drywall of the loft and stairs to meet OSHA safety requirements.** Phase 2 Rough Estimate \$900 for materials, Twp approved, awaiting purchase

New Business:

- 1. DNR Mutual Aid Agreement Renewal: Renews every 5 years for the FEPP Equipment / DNR Agreement
- 2. Annual Renewal Online Training: Lexipole's Fire Rescue 1 Academy \$1273.91 FD 721.58 / EMS 552.33
- 3. Annual SCBA Mask Fit Testing: Testing fee \$275 to Mqt Twp FD, Fit Testing is scheduled for April 24th

4. Fire Dept Billing Recommendations: This has been discussed for the past few months, discussion followed. Discussed current 2013 twp policy and previous 2007 policy. Discussed what other dept's charge for fees, if any. FD Goal to review out of pocket costs to residents/responsibly parties: Recommend discontinue billing for Structure Fires unless it was part of an unlawful act, like arson or open burning during a fire ban. Continue billing for Vehicle Accidents, its a state requirement to carry veh insurance and these types of calls require carrying and maintaining costly specialized extrication and air bag equipment, bill up to a max of \$500 for cost recovery, which is an average amount of policy coverages for fire dept use on most policies. If billed, reduce fees from the current hourly fee of pumpers 400hr (700 if pumps running) and 200hr for all other vehicles, to a single out the door fee of \$200 per vehicle, continue cost recovery per firefighter, retain recovery fee for other expenses like extinguisher refills etc. Keep current clause for billing for repeated false alarms.

Public/Open Comment:

None

Equipment and supplies requested:

• AED pads expiration dates need to be checked and an order put together to replace any expired/expiring

Building or Vehicle repairs requested:

- Station 2 Bay Doors gaskets & seals
- 2102's GO Light needs attention

General Funds Balance: \$16,633.00 / 78.62 % used Donated Funds Balance: \$29,805.58

Next Meeting / Upcoming Training / Upcoming Events:

Next Officer/Staff Meeting: Thursday April 24th 1800-1900hrs

Next Training Night: Thursday April 24th @ 1900hrs Annual SCBA Mask Fit Testing – Mgt Twp FD

Next County FF Meeting: Tuesday April 15th @ 1900hrs Location Pending

Next Township Meeting: Tuesday March 15th @ 1900hrs

Station Duty for April: Station 1 – Pelto Station 2 – Boudreaux

Business Meeting Adjourned at: 1915hrs Minutes Prepared by: CSutter

Tonight's Training: 1900-2100hrs CPR / AED Class - EMS Coord/Capt Boudreaux & EMS Kim Bourgeois

2025 Station Duty Sign up:

Month	Station 1	Station 2	MCFFA Meetings
January	Anderson	Roell	Air Pack Batteries
February	Pelto	Boudreaux Boudreaux	02/20 Marquette Twp FD
March	Stocker	Roell	
April	Pelto	Boudreaux	04/15 Pending MCFFA Schedule
May	Desmet	Roell	Air Pack Batteries
June	Anderson	Boudreaux	06/17 FD
July	Moran	Roell	
August	Anderson	Boudreaux	08/19 FD
September	Stocker	Roell	Air Pack Batteries
October	Cram	Boudreaux	10/21 FD
November	Sutter	Roell	
December	Sutter	Boudreaux	12/09 FD