

**MINUTES OF THE MENOMINEE-INGALLSTON
FIRE SERVICES' ASSOCIATION REGULAR MEETING
N3576 US 41
Menominee, MI 49858
June 24, 2008**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Ken Goffin at 7:45 P.M. Members in attendance as follows: Menominee; Dale Axtell, Darlene Nerat, Ken Goffin, Pat Barker, and Julie Kass, Ingallston; Lois Pfitzer, Paul Anderson, Carl Johnson, Kay Keefer and Eileen Behrend.

Patricia Barker read the minutes of the April 22, 2008 regular meeting. **Motion** made by Lois to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2008 regular meeting with corrections, seconded by Paul, motion carried unanimously.

Lois Pfitzer read the Treasurer's Report. Bills paid in April in the amount of \$12,933.34 and bills paid in May in the amount of \$9,059.79. Balance on hand \$7,147.59. **Motion** made by Julie to place the Treasurer's Report on file, seconded by Dale, motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dale to approve the next fiscal year Fire Association meeting dates as follows: April 22, 08, June 24, 08, August 26, 08, October 28, 08, December 16, 08, ~~January 27, 09~~, and February 24, 09, seconded by Paul, motion carried unanimously.

Paul reported that he talked to Mike Bertrand and he said that he would get us some steel for the back of the building. Also the Michigan Department of Transportation contacted us about the curb out front and we are going to have to put it in. The man from the State said if we don't do it Bacco will be doing it at our expense. Paul said the price for Bacco to do the curb is \$30 a foot which is less than the bid we had before. Paul said that Mike Bertrand was going to check with a couple of companies to get a quote. Paul said unless one of the quotes were lower we may as well let Bacco do it. **Motion** made by Julie to authorize Paul to have curb done by the company with the lowest quote, seconded by Pat, motion carried unanimously.

Bill said that we will have to put a roof over the condensing unit before winter. **Motion** made by Lois to authorize Bill and Paul to do what needs to be done to get a roof over the condensing unit, seconded by Pat, motion carried unanimously. Bill said that he would like to get a pad poured and a flag pole put up outside the Fire Station. Discussion was to put it on the South West corner. Bill will see what he can do to get this project done. Bill reported that the lawn in the back of the station can barely be cut as it is uneven and the rain run off is causing problems also. Bill also stated that we need to get someone to cut the lawn at the Station. **Motion** made by Darlene to contact Ray Eckert to do the lawn mowing, seconded by Pat, motion carried unanimously. **Motion** made by Pat to have Bill purchase the materials necessary (topsoil, stone, mess, landscape timbers) to level the ground and stop the erosion behind the building, seconded by Dale, motion carried unanimously. Bill said that he still needed to get internet. Julie explained that she wanted to see if we could get Pheonix satellite and she is trying to get someone over here to test it. If not we will go with Cyberzone. **Motion** made by Julie to contact Pheonix to see if we are able to use that system, seconded by Paul, motion carried unanimously.

Lois stated that she received nothing but positive feed back on the Fire Station's Open House and she felt it was a very successful day. Everyone agreed.

Bill said that with the price of gas he would like to see an increase in the per run pay. **Motion** made by Pat to increase the per run pay from \$15 to \$20, seconded by Dale, motion carried unanimously. Bill reported that the Department guidelines were typed up by Lois and the Department has adopted them. He distributed them to the Board members to go over so the Board can make any changes and then adopted the guidelines also. Bill also stated the Department would like to purchase an ID maker. He added it could come out of the Department's

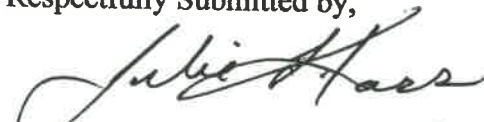
budget. Departments across the county would like to have ID badges to track volunteers on fire calls. This is three years in the discussion stage and nothing has been done with it. Discussion included the device would be obtained by the Menominee-Ingallston Fire Department and costs would be shared by other departments who would like to use it, namely Stephenson, Mellen, and Cedarville. **Motion** made by Julie to authorize the purchase of the ID maker, seconded by Paul, motion carried unanimously. No. 6 Engine was discussed. Bill said that there are multiply drivers near the Menominee Station and only a couple near the Ingallston Station and they work during the day. So the discussion was should the truck stay at the Menominee Station or be moved back out to the Ingallston Station. General consensus was it will stay at the Menominee Station for now where there are drivers available to drive it. It was also noted that the maintenance is done at the Menominee Station.

Paul said that he did talk to Rich Linsmeier about buying the old station and he is interested but wants us to give him a price. Therefore the Board needs to come up with a price. Julie said that as a Realtor she can do a CMA through the MLS to give the Board an idea. Everyone seemed to agree the Department does not need the old building. The Board can also look at the SEV. Further discussion was it will need to be surveyed to the new lines excluding the septic system which is being used by the new station. It was decided to have a Special Meeting sometime after the 4th of July to further discuss the price. At that time Julie would bring a CMA and we could get the SEV.

Motion made by Julie to pay the bills in the amount of \$24,011.31, seconded by Carl, motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Julie to adjourn @ 9:36 p.m., seconded by Dale, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,



Julie L. Kass
Association Clerk

8-26-08

