

October 2, 2018

7:00pm

Fire Committee Meeting

Present: Deputy Chief Ponzi, Chief Honeycutt, Connie Goodman, James Kresge, Renee Vaughan, Stephen Rike, Deb Lindblom, George Schultz, Brandy Lomo, John McHale, Jill Carfagna, Ray Welty, Jodie Streeter

- 6:58pm meeting called to order
- Minutes approved from last meeting
- EMS Master Plan (Draft)
  - Discussion of how not providing EMS (one option provided in the draft) would impact the current levy
  - Chief Honeycutt explained the reasoning behind two vs three medics on a run.
  - Question raised about option 3, establishing a joint agency
    - Chief Honeycutt-If the department got rid of the paramedics, the department would still need nine firefighters per day (according to standards).
    - Chief Honeycutt-As long as the make up of the board is fair, don't necessarily have a problem with this option
  - Discussion of the level of service when dealing with larger agencies vs a smaller agency
  - Weekly, quarterly, and electronic trainings to assist if there was an issue of low incidence, low incidence not an issue in the township
  - Gentlemen that did the study was from an EMS company
  - Honeycutt-We are providing the service. We are entitled to a portion of the tax associated with the service.
  - Suggestions from two committee members -approach from the positive – We know you are going to give us something. What is that something?
  - Another suggestion-Putting sales tax issue on the ballot (Use this as leverage), set up to be non-expiring
  - Vehicle discussion and their condition – front line vehicle is 8 years old, second line is a 20 year old vehicle
  - Two of our firefighters are mechanics, so they are able to help with service on vehicles
  - Each jurisdiction has authority of EMS. We would have to agree to give up the authority.
  - Committee suggests option 3, James made a motion to create a group to write a letter to submit our proposal.
  - Stephen-draft notes of thoughts and share via email (reply to all)
  - Brandy offered to write letter with the opinions of everyone.
- Life saving awards to crew that went to the Get Go on (date)
- Meeting adjourned: 8:42pm

- Next meeting: December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, location TBD