

Genoa Township Fire/Rescue/EMS Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting

January 9, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair, John McHale.
 - a. Attendance was recorded – Committee members present in person were Tracy Damschroder, Jeff Gale, Fred Johnson, Duane Knauer, John McHale, Frank Michell, Tom Munley, George Schultz, Chris Chesson, Tammy Sroufe, Trustee Connie Goodman, and Fire Chief Joe Ponzi. There were no virtual attendees.

Absent was Mary Fehskens.
 - b. Motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from November 7, 2023, by Jeff Gale. George Schultz seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. Update from Chief Ponzi.
 - a. Run Stats Review
 - i. Reviewed data for November, December 2023 and for the year 2023.
 - ii. Slight reduction in total runs during 2023 from 2022.
 - b. GTFD Update (New Ladder Truck, SCBA's, Exhaust Removal System)
 - i. Delivery of the Ladder Truck purchased from Sutphen is anticipated for October 2024 delivery. The portal for monitoring assembly of the new ladder truck will be available once the chassis gets delivered from the supplier in Springfield to the Sutphen facility in Dublin, Ohio.
 - ii. SCBA's – working on bid documents. Targeting to award by 2nd quarter 2024.
 - iii. Exhaust System - planning to issue bid requests during 1st quarter 2024.

3. Update on the Proposed Fire/Rescue/EMS Survey Questions - Tom Munley & Chelsea Fuller.

- a. The draft survey has been revised to include comments from the Fire/Rescue/EMS Citizen Advisory Committee and was sent to Chief Ponzi for his review.
 - b. Plan to finalize with any comments received from Chief Ponzi during the March 5th Fire/Rescue/EMS Citizen Advisory Committee meeting. Next step will be to send to Leslie Strater for final review before issuing to Genoa Township residents.
4. Approve meeting Schedule for 2024 (Typically the first Tuesday of the Month).
 - a. The following dates were agreed to: January 9, February 6, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, July 9, August (cancelled due to National Night Out), September 3, October 1, November 12 (due to Election Day on 11/5), December (cancelled due to toy drive). The meeting dates for 2024 have been posted on the township's website ([Welcome to Genoa Township, OH \(genoatwp.com\)](http://www.genoatwp.com)).
 - b. Next Meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2024.
 - c. Election for Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary will be held during the April 2nd meeting. Terms are for one year (April 2024 - March 2025).
5. Discussion on Opioid addiction - Genoa Township was awarded settlement funds with specific instructions for when can be used. The Township has periodically hosted opioid addiction educational forums which at times were not well attended – notices issued to residents through multiple venues may result in increased attendance.
6. The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.