

Fire Board Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2017

Member Present: Jon Reincke, Mark Risner, Matt Gleeson

Absent and excused Jacque Collins, Dave Boomer

Ex-Officio Members Present: Scott Blackmer, Phil Bombrys

Meeting called to order 7:08 pm.

Approved the minutes from 8-14-17 meeting.

Public comments - none

Chief's Report

Equipment: New deck gun for 1313 has been installed. New IR (infrared) cameras are in service on 1313 and 1312. We are working on a new SCBA compressor.

Note: The city of Eaton Rapids is looking into a new rescue boat and would like township(s) to go in on it.

Department Complement: 23 people

Training: 1 F.F. in MFR, 1F.F. in FF1 & 2 and 4 F.F. in officer training classes.

Fire Department's Christmas Dinner is Sunday, December 17th at 1 p.m.

Public comments - none

Supervisor's Report

Will meet with EAEMS after first of year.

Discussion was held on status of the training building and the potential current and future needs of the fire department and township. The building is definitely showing its age and is in need of major repair and renovation: the roof is in poor condition, the windows leak, the floor is rotting, etc. Its use is currently limited and is restricted. Training needs go well beyond the building's capability. The Fire Board voted to ask the township board to consider a new building and establish a training building committee to assess the needs, evaluate potential alternatives and make recommendations to the township board for further consideration.

Next meeting will be on February 12, 2018 at 7 pm.

Meeting Adjourned 8:14 pm