

Madison Township Board Meeting

May 31, 2018

Meeting Held at: Station 32 - 7047 Landersdale Road, Camby, IN 46113

Attending:

Scott McDonough – Trustee

James Johnson – Board Chairman

Kenny Johnson – Board Secretary

Jim Miles – Board Member

Call to Order:

James Johnson calls meeting to order at 7:03pm

Pledge of Allegiance:

Lead by Jim Miles

1st Order of Business – Reading of the Previous Meeting Minutes

- Discussion on how quickly the meeting minutes should be done and when the draft meeting minutes should be posted before the next meeting.
- Draft meeting minutes to be posted on the website 48 prior to the next board meeting.
- Jim Miles motions to accept the minutes, Kenny Johnson seconds. Motion passes 3 to 0.

2nd Order of Business – Notice to Incur Dept for Turn Out Gear

- Chief Lang explained the need for new turn out gear. We have been on a 5-year rotation that previous administration started back in 2007.
- The cost to purchase 10 sets per year as opposed to 50 sets now, was costlier. There is a 3% increase to purchase only 10 sets. In addition, the cost goes up 5-7% each year. Estimate that it is \$8,000 cheaper to purchase 50 sets at once.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- *Larry Ellis – questions if we have been applying for grants.*
- *Trudy Ellis – questions where the turn out gear is stored and if everyone needs turn out gear if some people may never fight a fire.*
- *Trudy Ellis – questions the Cum Fire Fund and if that can be used toward the purchase.*
- Jim Miles makes a motion to approve the lease purchase of \$150,000 with an interest rate not to exceed 4.23%. Kenny Johnson seconds the motion. Motion passed 2 to 1, with James Johnson voting against it.

3rd Order of Business – Township Assistance Standards

- New updated Township Assistance Standards were presented but there was a printing error that was discovered.
- Tabled until the next meeting.

4th Order of Business – Salary Resolution

- Trustee McDonough explained that Chief Lang's brother has retired from the department. Because of him being on the department is why Chief Lang took a pay cut to \$20,000 per year in order to maintain as a Volunteer Chief. We are asking the pay to be reinstated.
- Jim Miles said this should be tabled until the end of the year and changed with the salary for next year.
- James Johnson tabled the issue.

Good of the Order -

- *PUBLIC COMMENT: Several public comments were heard on fire department operations.*
- *Jim Miles commended the fire chief on the maintenance report which provided good information.*

Motion to Adjourn

Meeting is adjourned at 8:15pm. (*Not sure about this, as the Trustee and myself left the meeting. Chairman what would you like this to state?*)

Scott McDonough – Township Trustee: _____

James Johnson – Board Chairman: _____

Kenny Johnson – Board Secretary: _____

Jim Miles – Board Member: _____

*Respectfully Submitted by:
Kelly Alcala
Madison Township Clerk*