

RAFD Fire Board Notes

Meeting 6/24/2021

Meeting call to order 5:06 pm

All members present with exception of Mike.

All minutes approved.

Summary of previous meetings on 3/8/2021

Engine 421 repair bill for approx. 1800 dollars

Bills Approved as presented today.

Brad Oswald offered \$27,000 for both 452 and 472.

Motion to accept the bid from Brad Oswald – Motion Approved/Carried.

Equipment will be pulled from both trucks to continue to use.

Grant Turned into DNR – 50/50 Grant \$10,000 for approx. two sets of gear. Results of Grant will be December.

Motion Carried to order 5 sets of Gear (Structural Gear, Extrication Gear and Boots) at no more than \$25,000 – Motion Approved.

Car Show Update – August 21st – 1 – \$500 Sponsor, 1 - \$300 Sponsor, several \$50 Sponsor. Working on Door Prices

Haunted House Update – Fire Association has approved to have the event, Saturday, October 30th. Likely to be held at station 4-1 (M89 Station)

Purchase of new Brush Truck –

Quote from Spencer for Approx. \$85,000

Quote from Craig McDonald for Approx. \$

First township would need to pay for the truck itself from the dealer to get the municipal price.

Motion to approve the purchase of a new brush truck not to exceed \$85,000.

-Motion Approved

Heather- Approved.

Jeff - Approved.

Cyndi - Approved.

Diana – Approved.

Approximately 14 Firefighters received Covid Shots.

Items on Want List:

Personal SCBA MASKS for each firefighter

Turnout Gear: Will purchase between 5 to 10 sets.

10 sets \$39,690

Jonathan and Michael working to apply to Firehouse subs for Grants.

Thermal Imaging Camera – Have improved from our current cameras – Picture Clarity, Color

Currently have two cameras on each 1st due engine out of each station.

Nozzles

Item on Need List:

Sensit Cyanide Reader – Utilize when it is safe to take air packs off during overhaul operations \$438.50

Ventilation Fans – Currently have two vent fans.

Chainsaw –

Ballooga Glass Cutter – replace Sawzall. Cut's windshield glass quicker.

Dave Shirley - stepped down as Assistant Chief – Dave has stayed on as a Firefighter.

Craig Perkins – Stepped down as Captain – Craig has stayed on as a Firefighter.

Chief would like to see pay raise to \$15 for Firefighters for calls, and trainings.

10% increase for officers

Motion Approved by all members.

Salary has been increased to \$85,000 for this increase.

Still need approval to hire firefighters outside of the township.

Chief would like to start the process to sell 472, and 452 and replace with one brush and medical truck.

Jake has spoken to Spencer Manufacturing in South Haven to replace with a F350 pickup with skid unit.

Approximate quote: \$ 85,000

Invoice for Physicals – 10 Physicals completed –

Current Bill for Physicals - \$3,650 - Two other physicals will be added to the bill.

Looking to have all personal have a mandatory Fire Dept. Physical every two years.

Chief's Report:

Hose Testing on Tuesday, June 29th. Will likely need to look at purchasing new hose.

3 Probationary Firefighters will complete their Practical Test on Sunday 6/27

Jonathan King will go back to attempt his National Registry Test for MFR (failed the first attempt)

Retirement Party for Jerry July 11th. Also, a graduation party for last years academy personnel at 4-1 since they could not have a graduation at

Will look into editing the bylaws, Township Supervisor will look at editing them to include.

County AED's updating to newer AED's. Departments current AEDs (Phillips) are no longer made, parts are also not made and harder to find.

New AED price is \$1450, Electrodes Replacement \$ 85, Trainer \$400 Trade in Credit for old AED - \$300.

Meeting Ended – 6:12 pm