

Shawnee County Fire District #1

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The Board of Trustees of Shawnee County Fire District #1 met in regular session at the new Grove Township Hall on Wednesday, December 17, 2009, (postponed from December 9th due to inclement weather), with the following board members present: Chairman Mike Killion, Gene Wichman, Leonard Wonnell, Walt Stolle, and Tom Noble. Also present were Chief Joe Hawkins and Assistant Chief Wilson.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board reviewed the minutes of the meeting held November 11, 2009. It was moved by Wonnell and seconded by Wichman to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried 5-0.

Board reviewed the bills paid during the month of November, totaling \$14,087.06. It was moved by Noble, and seconded by Wonnell, to approve the bills paid. Motion carried 4-1, with Wichman dissenting.

Chief Hawkins reported the number of 2009 calls to date as 255. As of this date in 2008, 217 calls had been reported.

Old Business:

Informational meetings for need to construct new facility in Menoken Township.

Suggestion was made to hold meetings the evening of January 21st, and in the morning on January 23rd. Wichman made a motion to hold the meetings on the above dates if the school is available. Second by Noble, and carried 5-0.

SCBA. Assistant Chief Wilson reported on evaluations made on two types of equipment. Most firefighters and officers agreed on the selection of Draeger Air Packs at a cost of \$103,000, including all equipment to put into service. Motion was made by Wonnell to purchase using \$30,000 from the special equipment fund, and the remainder from 2009 budget. Second by Noble, and carried 5-0.

New Business:

Year-end balance. Motion was made by Noble to transfer year-end balance to the Special Equipment Fund. Seconded by Wichman, and carried 5-0.

911 tax. Killion made a motion to send a letter to our Legislators asking their support in removing the sunset provision from the 911 taxes. This tax on phone service supports emergency communications dispatching. Second by Noble, and carried 5-0.

Automated Electronic Defibrillator. Jim Yette gave a presentation on the status of our AEDs. The only one we have in working order is not usable on all patients. NFPA standards call for one per apparatus. He asked if we could purchase three per year until we comply with the standard. Current cost is \$1316 per unit. Wichman made a motion to purchase 9 AEDs at a cost not to exceed \$15,000, including supplies and a trainer. Second by Noble, and carried 5-0.

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Executive Session. Motion to go into executive session for a period of 30 minutes to discuss personnel was made by Stolle. Second by Noble, and carried 5-0.

Executive session began at 7:25. Chief was asked to enter session at 7:33. Chief left executive session at 7:45.

Regular meeting resumed at 8:05.

Motion was made by Noble to approve a Christmas Bonus of \$50.00 for volunteers who attended at least 80% of training, and \$25.00 for those that did not. Seconded by Wonnell, and carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Noble to grant a pay increase of 3% for Chief Hawkins, David Orleman, and Bonnie Gauntt. Seconded by Wonnell, and carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Stolle to adjourn at 8:08. Seconded by Noble, and carried 5-0.