

A Regular Meeting of the Mid-Michigan Community Fire Board, held at the St. Louis Area Fire Department – Meeting Room, was called to order by Chair Kevin Beeson at 5:36p.m., on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

Members Present: Chairman Kevin Beeson, Vice-Chair Kurt Giles, Carmen Bajena, Greg Mikek
Bobbie Marr.

Members Absent: None

Fire Chief: Bill Coty

Others in Attendance: Dick Prestage

Minutes.

Moved by Member Giles, supported by Member Mikek, to approve the minutes of August 9, 2022 meeting. All ayes carried the motion.

Public Comment.

None.

Claims and Accounts.

The Fire Board reviewed the Claims & Accounts.

Moved by Member Giles, supported by Member Bajena, to approve the Claims & Accounts for August 1, 2022 to October 31, 2022 in the amount of \$82,523.21. All ayes carried the motion.

Financial Statements.

The Fire Board reviewed and discussed the Financial Statements of October 31, 2022 and placed on file.

Fire Chief's Report.

The Fire Chief's Report was reviewed, discussed, and placed on file.

EAP review/discussion

Chief Cody presented a Member Family Assistance Program that is specifically for Emergency Service Organizations personnel and their families. (Counseling services) Program is offered through VFIS (life insurance carrier) for a nominal fee. Program was discussed.

Moved by Member Bajena, supported by Member Giles to approve the adding this service with the next VFIS renewal. All ayes carried the motion.

E621 Evaluation.

Various local entities are interested in the 1996 Pumper that we are in process of replacing. Offers have been made and would like some assurance that we would be willing to sell when our other vehicle is ready. This would provide a vehicle to a unit that is struggling to replace their own. Past practice has been to disassemble or take to equipment auction.

Moved by Member Mikek, supported by Member Giles to offer selling to Ithaca/Perrinton Fire for \$20,000 when we can make it available. All ayes carried the motion.

Drivers Guidelines to be added to Standard Operating Guidelines

Chief Cody presented the Apparatus Driver Qualifications to be added to Standard Operating Guidelines.

Moved by Member Bajena, supported by Member Mikek to approve the guidelines and add to the Standard Operating Guidelines. All Ayes carried the motion.

Other Business.

Discussion was held on potential use of ARPA funds for the replacement or refurbishment of the E-641 Rescue unit. This unit is projected for replacement in the next few years. Consensus was that it would be appropriate to start planning for that currently with the Fire Chief and staff determining if a replacement or refurbishment would be most appropriate.

Public and Other Comment.

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Bobbie J Marr, Secretary