



## Department Meeting Minutes

3-1-2009

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**Attendance:** S. Anderson, L. Boeke, M. Bounds, M. Brinwall, J. Buell, T. Carlson, J. Evans, R. Fischer, D. Larsen, T. Nemerov, J. Oliver, J. Pagel, M. Rademacher, J. Suckut, G. Taylor, B. Torborg, MB. Torborg, P. Wagner, J. Kiel (Prob), C. Nagle (Prob), E. Otte (Prob)

**Absent:** M. Bennett, S. McGinnis, D. Nordeen, B. Swigart, R. Wagner, J. Widhalm (Prob)

Minutes taken by: Mary Beth Torborg

**Call to Order: 2100**

***\*\*Note: If you recall this evening we had a medical call followed by a Mutual Aid Fire Call to assist Zimmerman at a home that was fully involved. Officer meeting was postponed to the Officer Training evening and this department meeting was abbreviated and without a specific agenda in the hands of the fire fighters and the chief.***

**Meeting Minute Approval:** Motion to approve January 4, 2009 and January 20, 2009 (end of training) meeting minutes? Moved to next meeting.

### **Apparatus:**

- Issues/Concerns?
  - E-2: pump drain, radio turned off with emergency lights on
  - T-2: lightbar went off

### **Equipment:**

- Boots are being ordered—10 pairs by department, plus 3 pairs with the grant
- Not ordering suspenders—ones will come with new turn out gear
- Matt Bounds needs hood
- Grant items are being ordered on both grants
  - Tim S. will need to measure for turn out gear—measuring tonight depending on when they get done with their fire clean up.
- Packs/bottles should be here by the end of March/early April; will need to do fit test sizing for the new masks.
  
- **\*\*Fill Station: 2 person fill because of new tanks with high pressure checks/balances.\*\***
  
- RIT pack bottle –60 minute bottle/system

- SCBA – cleaning of regulators was requested and reviewed
- Clean off radios after call—still had cellulose on them after fire—please take care of equipment.
- New truck status—Engine-Town Board must initiate the purchase; part of 2010 budget.

#### **Building:**

- “slippery when wet signs” purchased
- phone #/internet change
- citscape

#### **Training:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Responder—after 1<sup>st</sup> quarter (good standing) for newest fire fighters
- 3/2 Extrication/air bag safety at Princeton—Extra training for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter
- 3/3 Regular Training
- Joe Kiel—In 1<sup>st</sup> Responder, FF1 training upcoming
- 3/10 Probationary Training→ moved?

#### **Fire District Discussion:**

- Chief was approached by Chief Maloney RE: joining Fire District with Zimmerman and Livonia.

##### PROS might include:

- financially better
- call-wise increase with area plus DNR office is possibly moving
- ISO capabilities—Zimmerman is a 6/9 (city/outside city) Could possibly move to a 7 outside city.

##### CONS might include:

- less say—bigger department
- Lose individual Identity
- Relief Associations would be a question
- Not reinventing the wheel if we would entertain joining-- establishment of fire district already with Livonia. Baldwin has assets to bring to the table however.
- Still have different stations
- Chief Maloney—overall chief plus station chiefs and captains
- Question to approach board in April (?)
- Town Board is not governing body; it would be a Fire Board
- Details would have to be worked out
- Level of experience –access to experience
- + Add Blue Hill
- Question about transfer of stations by personnel (i.e. ours who live in Zimmerman—where to respond?)

**Motion to Close made by Rick/Matt. Motion carries 2215.**