

President Cliff Sharp opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

The American Flag was saluted and the Lord's Prayer was recited prior to the start of the meeting.

Member's participating were : Cliff Sharp, Billy Horseman, Ron Sutton Jr. and Mark Sheppard

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Mark made the motion and it was seconded by Ron . All voted in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Ron Sutton Jr. gave everyone a detailed copy of the report from CPA Cheryl Ward. The starting balance in the checking was \$162,536.00 and the ending balance was \$149,139.87. Cliff made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Mark. Roll Call Vote: Cliff : Yes / Billy: Yes / Ron: Yes / Mark: Yes / Fred: Absent.

Ron made a Motion to pay all bills for the next month's period and it was seconded by Mark. Roll Call Vote: Cliff: Yes / Billy: Yes / Ron: Yes / Mark: Yes / Fred: Absent.

Old Business: Mark brought up about the Incorporation papers needed to apply for Grants. Mark spoke with Attorney Todd Heck and was told by Mr. Heck that Fred had a discussion with him last September and Fred gave him some papers but nothing was ever done because it was just a discussion at that time. Cliff made a motion and it was seconded by Billy to get the process started. All voted in favor and Mark will contact Mr. Heck and see what we have to do to get the Board of Fire Commissioner's, District 2 to be Incorporated.

1201 has been repaired and the new 700 County Radio's were installed in the trucks and new radio's given to the Line Officer's that were approved.

Our Fire Election held on 17 Feb 2024 results were : Fred Hundt: 67, Billy Horseman: 65. The Budget passed with 65 Yes and 4 No Votes.

Ron spoke on the Laurel Lake Rescue Squad meeting that was held at the Commercial Township Monthly Meeting in February 2024 and stated that there is some progress being made. The Township will conduct an Audit of Laurel Lake Rescue Squad and see what the next step is.

New Business: The Re-Organization for the Board of Fire Commissioners was discussed and Ron made a motion to cast a ballot and remain the same structure as it currently stands. Mark made a second, and all voted in favor. Cliff: Chairman; Mark: Vice-Chairman; Ron: Treasurer; Fred: Secretary; Billy: Commissioner.

Next month we will need to do the required Resolutions for hiring or contracting our Auditor, Official Newspaper, Legal Services, CPA, etc.

Chief's Comments: All of the jackets are here and will be going to get embroidered shortly. Also, Heislerville got insurance for the new radio's in case of loss, damaged, etc. It was discussed and Mark will call Mint's Insurance to see if we are already covered or what it would cost. Some of the new radio's cost as much as \$1400.00 or more.

Meeting Opened to the Public:

Meeting Closed to the Public as no one chose to speak

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Acting Secretary: Mark Sheppard