

MARINE CITY AREA FIRE AUTHORITY
Regular Board meeting - Wednesday, October 18th, 2017 @ 7:00 pm
Marine City Area Fire Authority Hall, 200 S. Parker St., Marine City, MI 48039

1. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry Simons at 7:00 pm.
2. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
Roll call was taken. Present – Marine City Representatives; Vice-Chair Lisa Hendrick, Treasurer Steve McConnell and Mark Posey. Cottrellville Township Representatives; Tom Whitenight and Mary Agnes Simons. East China Representatives; Chairman Larry Simons and Don Beaudua. China Township Representatives; Secretary Linda Schwehofer and Julia Rust. Also present were Fire Chief Joseph Slankster and Administrator Jennifer Vandenbossche.
4. COMMUNICATIONS
None
5. APPROVE AGENDA (Additions/Deletions)
Larry Simons requested to amend the agenda to add New Business item 10a. – ADA Door
Linda Schwehofer supported by Lisa Hendrick, made a motion to approve the amended agenda adding item 10a. A/A M/C
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Steve McConnell, supported by Tom Whitenight, made a motion to approve the August 16th, 2017 Regular Board meeting minutes as presented. A/A M/C
7. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
8. CHIEF’S REPORT
Chief Slankster reviewed his submitted report.
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - a. Chief Slankster reviewed the Duty Shift position and discussed filling in the duty time in 4 hour increments. He also advised that the firefighters only had a 2 minute response time to the recent fire at Belle River Elementary and had the fire out within 2 minutes on scene.
 - b. Fire Chief Slankster gave an update on the new Rescue truck and equipment purchases. He advised that he has about \$800 remaining and only needed to by new Indian packs and should come in under budget.
10. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Chief Slankster reviewed the need and quote for replacing the ADA compliance equipment at the public access door on the west side of the building. He advised that the mechanics of the old system is worn out and needed to be replaced with a new remote system and mechanism. He stated that he received a quote from MCD, a company that was contacted through Marine City. Their quote for removing the old mechanisms and replacing it with the new system was \$2,863.82.
Lisa Hendrick, supported by Mary Agnes Simons, made a motion to approve waiving competitive bids for the ADA door equipment replacement. A/A MC

Lisa Hendrick, supported by Linda Schwehofer, made a motion to approve the quote from MCD for \$2,863.82 to remove the old ADA equipment and install the new equipment. Roll call vote was taken. A/A M/C

11. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

- a. Tom Whitenight, supported by Linda Schwehofer, made a motion to approve the disbursements in the sum of \$73,653.62. Roll call vote taken. A/A M/C
- b. Linda Schwehofer, supported by Don Beaudua, made a motion to receive and file the Preliminary Balance Sheet. A/A M/C
- c. Mary Agnes Simons, supported by Steve McConnell, made a motion to accept and file the Revenue and Expenditures statement. A/A M/C

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Linda Schwehofer thanked the firefighters and reviewed some recent Twp. events.

Julia Rust advised that everyone was doing an awesome job.

Mark Posey advised that everyone was doing a good job.

Lisa Hendrick thanked everyone for the work on the new truck. She also asked about the rust repair on the 2011 truck. GM is willing to cover ½ the cost at the Red Holman dealership.

Steve McConnell discussed his trip to the State Firemen's Memorial services in Roscommon.

Jennifer Vandenbossche thanked the Board for their ongoing support. She also advised that the Audit was completed and there would be a presentation at the December meeting.

Mary Agnes Simons advised that there would be a fire millage on the Twp. ballot. She also advised that Chief Slankster did a good job going over information at their Town Hall meeting at the Fire Station. The Cottrellville Twp Board and residents were there.

Tom Whitenight asked about a different date for the meeting in December due to the holidays. The Board discussed several dates. Don Beaudua, supported by Mark Posey, made a motion to change the meeting date to Thursday, December 14th, 2017. A/A M/C

Chief Slankster discussed the ongoing pager issues. He also talked about going to the FDIC Conference in April with the Clay and Algonac Fire Chiefs. He also mentioned funding for the grant writer and MC City Manager Elaine Leven advised that we could use Marine City's grant writer at no cost.

Don Beaudua thanked everyone for doing a fine job.

Larry Simons thanked everyone and has seen the truck out. He also discussed the recent MTA meeting with Keynote Speaker Ken Cummings talking about the overdose epidemic and costs for everyone.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Lisa Hendrick, supported by Linda Schwehofer, made a motion to adjourn. A/A M/C
The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully Submitted;
Jennifer Vandenbossche, Administrator