CHIPPEWA-MARTINY

FIRE BOARD MEETING

January 13, 2025

The regular Chippewa-Martiny Fire Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor, Barb Hampel at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** **PRESENT:** Shirley Hazen, Barb Hampel, Julie Austin, Kristin Lytle Cindy Lattimore, Annette Walters, Connie Grant, Debbie Zielinski, and Dale Dosenberry.

**ABSENT:** Lois Schmidt

***Let the record show a quorum of the Chippewa-Martiny Fire Board was present.***

**MOTION** **C.Lattimore/J.Austin** *to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2024, meeting.* **MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None at this time.

**BUDGET AMMENDMENT:**

**RESOLUTION J.Austin/K.Lytle** *to amend the 2024/2025 FD Budget by adding $2295 to the Grant Line Item in Revenues. In Expenditures, remove $2205.00 from the Contingency Line Item and $2000.00 from Repair of Equipment Line item. Add $6000.00 to the Wages Line Item and $500.00 to the 941 Taxes Line item.*

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 9 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT. RESOLUTION CARRIES**

**APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:**

Bills were electronically transmitted to each Board member prior to the meeting for review. At this time the bills were presented to the Chippewa-Martiny Fire Board. **RESOLUTION K.Lytle/C.Lattimore** *to pay the December and January bills, check numbers 7653 – 7697 plus EFTs in the amount gross amount of $18,909.29.* **ROLL CALL VOTE: 9 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT. RESOLUTION CARRIES**

**TREASURER REPORT:**

Treasurer J.Austin reported a balance of $11,250.93 as of January 12, 2025. **MOTION C.Lattimore/K.Lytle** *to approve the treasurer report and place it on file*. **MOTION CARRIES**

**TRUCK REPORTS:**

Truck Reports were electronically transmitted to each Board member prior to the meeting for review. **MOTION J.Austin/D.Zielinski** *to approve the truck reports and place on file.* **MOTION CARRIED.**

**CHIEF COMMENTS:**

Chief Brian David informed the board that the pricing on turnout gear is increasing 5.5% in February. We will not be invoiced of the purchase until we receive the turnout gear. **RESOLUTION K.Lytle/A.Walters** *to appropriate funds to purchase 3 full sets of turnout gear with the funds coming out of the 2025-2026 budget.* **ROLL CALL VOTE: 9 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT. RESOLUTION CARRIES**

The engine computer went out of Grass Rig 2. It’s been replaced and is back in service. 6 sets of wild land gear have been received, waiting on the addition 6 sets. (These were part of the 2024 DNR Wild Land grant).

**OLD BUSINESS:** C.Lattimore asked if the new binoculars have been received. B.David indicated that there is a pair in each truck and they work well.

C. Lattimore asked how long it took for the Tender to be repaired. B.David reported that the Tender was out of service for 10 days.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

2025 DNR Wild Land Grant – CMFD was awarded $2295 from the DNR Wild Land Grant. THANK YOU, JULIE. These funds will be used to purchase (5) Single Jackets, (2) 100 ft hoses with fittings, (10) 5-gallon pails of foam, and (2) EDC conversion kits.

2025/2026 Budget – J.Austin reminded board members that she will be working on the 2025/2026 budget and would like any input soon. Discussion was held regarding the COLA rate 2.5 % rounding up to the nearest dollar. Cadets stay at the 2024/2025 wage.

Insurance – Questions regarding Workman’s Comp insurance have come up lately. After doing some research, J.Austin and K.Lytle informed the Board and firefighters that CMFD does have loss of work insurance. A complete copy of the policy is available in the Chief’s office.

**BEING no further business or public comment to be brought before the Board: *MOTION* C.Lattimore/A.Walters** *to adjourn the January 13, 2024, Chippewa-Martiny Fire Board meeting at 7:04 p.m.* **MOTION CARRIED.**

These minutes were prepared by:

Clerk, Kristin Lytle