

SOMERSET FIRE/RESCUE COMMISSION
Minutes of the November 13, 2008 Meeting

Call to Order: Chairperson Roy called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Roll Call: Commissioners present – Shane Demulling, Rita Lawson, Jerry Mullenberg, Bartt Palmer, and Tom Roy. Fire Dept present – Chief Travis Belisle and Jason Crotty.

Roy noted he had discussed with Jeff Johnson, Village pres., the fact that there are currently 2 Village board members on the Commission. Roy also pointed out to Johnson the Village was short 1 representative.

Minutes From Previous Meeting: *Motion by Mullenberg, second by Demulling to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2008 meeting.*

Public Input: None

Financial Report: As of Nov. 12 the department has spent \$124,589.90 or 80.86% of the 2008 budget. More money was available to spend on new pagers than was budgeted (\$3200 budgeted, \$3882 spent) because of selling 2 pagers to Hudson EMS for \$400 and recovering \$375 from insurance. They are still waiting for the \$10,000 donation from the concert this summer.

The department is not planning to make the \$500 donation for tracking bracelets requested by the County because the department's donated money has already been given to other purposes. If money is still needed for the tracking bracelet program, the department will fund raise specifically for this.

Old Business

New grass rig: The chassis has been ordered and delivery is expected after Jan 1. They will continue to use the old truck as long as it works.

Jason Crotty's return to the department: Commissioners welcomed Crotty back. He reported still needing to get caught up.

New Business

2008 Budget: Chief Belisle discussed moving money from one category to another where it was needed. Examples: several building and vehicle maintenance items, and 2 valves for the tanker so it can be used to pump the fire engine at a fire. *Motion by Mullenberg, second by Palmer to authorize the department to reassign available dollars as needed. Passed.*

Website: Belisle reported the site, www.somersetfirerescue.com, should be ready in a few weeks and it will have lots of links.

Motion by Palmer, second by Demulling to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Rita Lawson, Secretary