

SOUTH KALAMAZOO COUNTY

FIRE AUTHORITY

Minutes of Regular Meeting Held September 19, 2018

The regular meeting of the South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority Board was held at 11318 N. Boulevard, Vicksburg, Michigan on September 19, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jason Gatlin at 6:00. pm.

The following members of the Authority Board were present for all or part of the meeting: Colin Bailey, Todd Carlin, Jason Gatlin, Ken Hovenkamp, Tracy Locey, and Mike Tomlinson.

Guests in attendance for all or part of the meeting: Chief Tracy McMillan and Administrator Tania Dee.

Approval of the Agenda

Carlin moved, seconded by HovenKamp to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

Approval of Consent Agenda

Bailey moved, seconded by Carlin to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.** A report on the runs was not received from Pridecare.

List of Bills

Bailey moved, seconded by Tomlinson to approve the list of bills as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

Communications – None.

Citizen's Time – None.

Regular Reports

Chief's Report

A written report was reviewed.

Advisory Committee Report – No report.

Committee Reports

Apparatus Committee – Vehicles are having the annual inspections/maintenance performed.

Human Resources – Tania Dee was welcomed.

Finance/Planning Committee – The AFG Grant for the purchase of new turnout gear has been denied. This was a county collaborative grant submission.

New Business

- a. Pride Care – Bill Meers of PrideCare Ambulance addressed the Board on the upcoming changes at South County EMS. After a year of operations, it has been

determined SCEMS is not solvent. PrideCare ambulances will continue to service the area following the county protocols. Memberships currently held by SCEMS will be transferred to PrideCare.

- b. Computer Purchase – A computer needs to be purchased for the Administrator. For the past several years the Authority has been utilizing the laptop owned by Brady Township but with the personnel change, a computer needs to be purchased. Locey moved, seconded by Tomlinson to expend up to \$1,200 for a new computer and related programs. **Motion carried 6-0.**

Old Business

- a. Consider Approval Draft Audit Report FYE 03/31/2018 – Wakeshma Township, Brady Township, and Village of Vicksburg approved the drafts. The final approval was tabled until the other units take action.
- b. Consider Approval of Allocation Increase – Wakeshma Township, Brady Township, Schoolcraft Village did not approve the allocation increase. Village of Vicksburg approved the allocation increase. A vote will be taken next meeting once all participating entities have voted.

Citizen's Time

Ron Ferrucci thanked Hovenkamp for his participation with the 911 ceremonies.

Members Time

Chief McMillan reported new equipment will be utilized for airway management. Selected staff members will be trained in the usage of the new equipment. Epi pen use is also under review due to cost to replace the equipment.

Hovenkamp reported he attended training for Stress Management. Chief McMillan also attended this training.

Locey stated Kalamazoo County Dispatch Authority is scheduled to go “live” on October 30, 2018. Chief McMillan reported work needs to be performed on the MSP tower to support the antennas.

With there being no further business, Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Todd Carlin, Secretary

Recorded and typed by Tracy Locey.