



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

DISTRICT NO. 1

Township of Pittsgrove, Salem County

P.O. Box 111

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**Regular Meeting
JANUARY 23, 2012**

PRESENT:

Henry Mayerfeld, Chairperson
Louis J. Vasile, Secretary
Pat Heer, Treasurer
Elbert Johnson
Dan Sauder
Linda Ortega, Chief

AUDIENCE:

Dave Rollison
Rich Kurtz, President
Crystal Bates

Henry called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. The flag salute and a moment of silence and reflection for the LODD and or dignitaries were held. The sunshine law was read.

Approval of 2012 Budget:

Dave Rollison went over the 2012 budget with the board members. He asked if there are any questions. There were none.

A motion was made by Lou Vasile and seconded by Dan Sauder to approve the budget as stated for 2012.

Vote: Henry Mayerfeld – yes
Lou Vasile – yes
Pat Heer – yes
Elbert Johnson – yes
Dan Sauder – yes

Dave explained to the committee that it would be a capital appropriation for the solar panels. To put aside \$160,000 for the panels it must be approved by election. A question must be put on the ballot to be approved by the voters. If it is approved by the voters put the commissioners decide not to use the money for the panels it could be canceled by resolution giving the reasons why.

A motion was made by Dan Sauder and seconded by Lou Vasile to put the question on the ballot for the solar panels.

Vote: Henry Mayerfeld – yes
Lou Vasile – yes
Pat Heer – yes
Elbert Johnson – yes
Dan Sauder – yes

Dave Rollison asked the secretary to give him a call and he would give her the correct wording for the ballot and send her a resolution for the solar panels.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2011:

The minutes were reviewed and approved by Lou Vasile and seconded by Dan Sauder.

Vote: All in favor

TREASURERS REPORT FOR JANUARY 23, 2012:

The treasurer’s report was reviewed and approved by Lou Vasile and seconded by Dan Sauder.

Vote: All in favor

Approval of Temporary Budget for 2012:

Commissioners	\$ 7,080.00	x 10%	\$ 708.00
Fire Company	3,250.00	x 10%	\$ 325.00
Insurance	25,810.00	x 10%	\$ 2,581.00
Professional Services	10,000.00	x 10%	\$ 1,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance	18,070.00	x 10%	\$ 1,807.00
Building Maintenance	10,629.00	x 10%	\$ 1,062.90
Fire Fighting	4,080.00	x 10%	\$ 408.00
Rescue Equipment	1,350.00	x 10%	\$ 135.00
Materials & Supplies	5,533.00	x 10%	\$ 553.30
Building Heat	6,200.00	x 10%	\$ 620.00
Building Electric	6,200.00	x 10%	\$ 620.00
Telephone	3,529.00	x 10%	\$ 352.90
Training & Education	3,500.00	x 10%	\$ 350.00
Vehicle Fuel & Oil	5,000.00	x 10%	\$ 500.00
Total	\$ 110,231.00		\$ 11,023.10

The recording Treas. presented the temporary budget to the commissioners. She explained it could only be 10% of each total line item.

A motion was made by Dan Sauder and seconded by Lou Vasile.

Vote: Henry Mayerfeld – yes

Lou Vasile – yes

Pat Heer – yes

Elbert Johnson – yes

Dan Sauder – yes

Transfer of Line Items:

The treasurer went over the transferred line items for December 2011.

405 Vehicle Maintenance	(5100.00)	401 comm/admin	2100.00
		417 building maintenance	3000.00

A motion was made by Lou Vasile and seconded by Elbert Johnson to approve the transfer is for December.

Vote: Henry Mayerfeld – yes

Lou Vasile – yes

Pat Heer – yes

Elbert Johnson – yes

Dan Sauder – yes

New Ambulance:

The commissioners discussed the new ambulance. Henry said the chief needs to get the final cost of the ambulance. It was agreed 10% of the total cost should be held back for only 60 days in case there were things that need fixing.

A motion was made by Dan Sauder and seconded by Lou Vasile approving the purchase of the ambulance after the chief gets the total cost. Linda should then contact Richard Braslow so he could put the newspaper for bids.

Vote: Henry Mayerfeld – yes

Lou Vasile – yes

Pat Heer – yes

Elbert Johnson – yes

Dan Sauder – yes

Chief's Wish List:

Linda Ortega told the commissioners they had looked at a new thermal imaging camera.

Linda had no other items to add to the wish list or prices for the items already listed from last month.

Lights outside the building, on pole, and entrance:

The outside lights have been fixed by George Sparks.

ISO:

Lou Vasile said Linda had given him the information on the vehicles and members. He still needs information on stats and mutual aid. As soon as he gets this information he will supply it to ISO.

Solar panels:

It was already decided that the question would be added to the ballot to approve the installation of solar panels the solar panels. \$160,000 would be set aside for the cost of this installation if approved at the election on February 18th.

WATER IN THE BASEMENT:

The waterproofing of the basement has been completed. Linda said there are still some places that appear to be leaking. Henry will call Wayne Ketcham to look at the wet spots in the basement

TERMITES:

Waiting until the water in the basement is fixed.

TRIM IN CONFERENCE ROOM:

The trim will be replaced after the termites are exterminated.

REELS IN THE PARKING BAYS:

Lou said another outlet needs to be put in the ceiling so the reel can be put in the correct location.

Henry told him to call George Sparks to have this done. Also some insulation and new panels need to be replaced in the ceiling.

REPAIRS ON VEHICLES:

The secretary gave the chief a recall notice on the 1995 Ford. Henry asked Linda to make sure she has this recall fixed tour is taking care of before the ambulance is sold.

PARKING LOT:

None

Dedication of 24-5:

None

Injury Which Happened Last Month to Chief:

The chief said she has not received any bills from the injury she had in September or October of 2011. She will given to the secretary if she receives on

THINGS BEING LOCKED UP DURING ELECTIONS:

It was brought up at the last meeting that things remain locked up when elections were being held in the fire house. Linda explained that a chair it got broken a couple of years ago that's why she was locking them up. Henry asked that the chairs be left out so they can be used at the next election.

Linda and Rich were not happy about this, because the people who run the elections are very demanding and feel that they can do anything they want.

Henry said it would be fine with him if no elections were held in the fire house, all the other commissioners agreed. The secretary will find out who to contact to let them know the fire house will no longer be available for elections.

Henry would like this brought up at the next meeting.

Fence:

Rich is looking into a new vinyl fence for the front of the fire house.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

There were 412 fire and EMS calls for the year 2011. 106 were fire, 306 were EMS calls. 23 calls were missed.

150 of the EMS codes were from EagleView.

Testing of ladders and hoses is scheduled for next week.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Lou Sauder at 9:50 PM.

All in favor

Sandra M. Comparri
Recording Secretary