

WESTFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT
FIRE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 23, 2010 ~ 7:00 P.M.

WESTFIELD FIRE STATION

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Rick Robbs with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Rick Robbs, Heather Sturdevant, Ron Oiler. Absent: Pat Edington.

Recognition of Guests: Dan Grabowski; Chief Richard Fletcher; Russ Zupanic; Kevin Rych

ACCEPTANCE OF COMMITTEE MINUTES: Heather Sturdevant moved to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ron Oiler. Vote: Aye 3 (Robbs, Sturdevant, Oiler). No 0. Absent 1 (Edington).

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Heather Sturdevant moved to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Ron Oiler. Vote: Aye 4 (Robbs, Sturdevant, Oiler). No 0, Absent 1 (Edington).

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Fletcher reported that there will be a tour of the Westfield Group buildings in the main campus on 10/11/10 and the CIT building on 10/25/10. Reports attached.

OLD BUSINESS

FIRE LEVY ~ update: Ron Oiler reported that the levy will not be on the ballot this November. If there is not an additional charge, it may be on the May ballot.

SOG's: Nothing new at this time. Work is being done on Active Membership definitions. The squad needs 5 certified EMT's to run efficiently. Currently they have 2 and 2 more in training.

FIRE CONTACT UPDATE – RON OILER

The committee is waiting to find out when Bill Thorne and Bill Hutson can get together and then meet with three trustees, the Mayor, Bill Hutson and Rick Robbs.

Sale of 1990 International 164-1. Most equipment has been taken off. Only the radio and light bar are left. Leaving those 2 items on makes the truck more attractive. 164 is 4-wheel and great for off-road access. It is possible to make use of the tank if necessary. Suggested minimum bid is \$8,000 and "Buy it now" for \$10,000.

COMMAND VEHICLE: The police cruiser is a possibility in 2011.

RECORDS STORAGE: There are boxes ready to go to Village Hall for storage. Judy Couchey suggested coordinating the transfer with Dave Pitsenbarger.

NEW BUSINESS:

WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Where is the greatest need for the department ~ fire, EMT training?

DISCUSS YTD DEPARTMENT BUDGET: Where are we? Ron Oiler felt he could have current figures by next meeting.

MISC. Tickets are still available for the clam bake. Heather Sturdevant said that Gayle Foster from The Post would like to do an article on the fire department.

The next Fire committee Meeting will be Thursday, October 28, 2010 and 7:30 p.m.

Having no committee member comments, the meeting was adjourned into Executive Session at 8:36 for the purpose of personnel by Heather Sturdevant, seconded Ron Oiler. Vote: Aye 3 (Robbs, Sturdevant, Oiler No 0, Absent 0, Absent 1 (Edington)).

Adjourned: 8:46 p.m.

Secretary

Chairman