

**FIRE-EMS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JANUARY 5, 2015**

The Fire-EMS Oversight Committee met in regular session on January 5, 2015 at 5:38 p.m. in the Municipal Building Council Chambers. The meeting was chaired by Mr. Benson.

ROLL CALL:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Randy Benson, Ron Comer and Richard Pettit.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Dan Alldred, Fire Chief and Kelli Novak, Clerk of Council.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

Mr. Benson moved to excuse Mike Kuhn and Glenn Jirka.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

ORGANIZATION:

Mr. Comer moved to appoint Randy Benson as Chairperson for 2015.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Benson moved to appoint Mike Kuhn as the Vice Chairperson for 2015.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Benson moved to hold the Fire-EMS Oversight Meetings on the first Monday of each odd numbered month at 5:30 p.m.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Benson moved to accept the November 3, 2014 minutes as submitted.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Alldred briefly reviewed the November and December Fire-EMS reports.

He stated that the department was very lucky to have Dr. Proctor and Dr. Enseleit, the departments Medical Directors, attend their emergency training. He thanked them for all their time.

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He went on by saying that there were a total of 958 calls for the year and 750 of them were EMS calls.

OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBER'S REPORTS:

Mr. Benson's Report:

Mr. Benson questioned if the residents in the Township that live down lanes with multiple houses are marking their addresses clearly. Chief Alldred replied that they have not really gotten any worse or any better. When they have a call at one of these residents, he makes an effort to explain the need for well marked addresses at the roadside and that they have difficulty locating their address.

Chief Alldred went on by saying that they are experiencing problems with low branches down lanes that damage the equipment. This is a big problem when the equipment is unable to turn around and is getting damaged. We simply do not have the clearance we need. He has spoke with neighboring Departments and their policy states they will not damage their equipment for a single resident.

Mr. Benson suggested that Chief Alldred get information regarding the branch clearance issue and he will have it posted on the Township website.

Mr. Comer's Report:

None.

Mr. Pettit's Report:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Comer stated that he would like to compliment the Chief and his staff for the job well done at the accident that occurred near his home a few weeks ago. The staff did an excellent job. He suggested the department purchase an ATV for accidents of that nature. Chief Alldred replied that the department does have one but it is stored at another location and would have taken extra time to get the ATV to that particular scene.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Pettit moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council