FIRE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD OCTOBER 23, 2023

The Fire Oversight Committee met in regular session on October 23, 2023 at 5:34 p.m. This meeting was chaired by Mike Kuhn

ROLL CALL:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Dr. Mark Cross, Mr. Jeff Bobbitt, and Mr. Mike Kuhn

The Following Members were Absent: Glenn Jirka

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Fire Chief Dan Alldred, Administrative Assistant Roni Saul, and Pat Shively, Finance Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Kuhn moved to approve the January 3, 2023 meeting minutes. Dr. Cross motioned to approve and Mr. Bobbitt 2nd the motion.

All in Favor.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

July= 92 August= 85

September = 90

As of end September at 808 calls for service for year-down from 845 in 2022.

As of today at 817 calls for year 2023.

Manpower continues to be a struggle though much improved. Have one candidate in the process for hire now. Several of our employees in the process for full time positions with other departments. 23 on roster now.

Have three personnel in paramedic class and looking forward to that boost in our ALS capabilities.

Lucas Device- landed TWO on grants- one was through BWC safety grant and the other the EMS hardship grant. Look to receive the first LUCAS by end of October.

Received \$930.00 grant award in September from Butler Rural Electric Co-Op. This was used to bolster our Milwaukee battery powered equipment. We purchased a 9" cutoff saw and leaf blower for the Engine and another leaf blower for use at Station 63.

Just completed hydrant check for 2023 working with Germantown Service Department.

Hose Testing is scheduled for October 26th thru Fire Catt. This is generally done much earlier in the year but FireCatt was suffering from lack of manpower and rescheduled this part of the country to this time frame.

Fire Prevention week October 8th-14th. GFE will visit VV Primary and go into 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade classrooms. We have other classes, daycares scheduled to visit Station 63 and actually started today with about 100 VV Pre-K students visiting Station 63. October 14th will be our ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE from 1800-2000.

OVERSIGHT MEMBERS REPORT:

Nothing to Report

BUSINESS:

Pat Shively, Finance Director with the review of the 2024 Budget. Budget staying most consistent with last year. Adding the 2% cost of living raises as of January 1st, 2024. Budget set aside to add one more full time Lieutenant for this up coming year. Our budget increased (doubled) for insurance and bonding. Fire is requesting to set aside funds for the purchase of a new run pick-up truck.

Oversite members requested the revenue numbers from the Ambulance- EMS budget.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the committee, Mr. Kuhn motioned to adjourn, Dr. Cross 2nd the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm