

Fire Chief Report:

Chief Whipple provided the Township Board with the monthly report. Runs year to date = 206.

Chief Whipple stated that he had spoken with Meridian Township informing them that we were interested in purchasing their used air packs. Fire Chief of Meridian Township replied that he would begin the process in January.

Supervisor Kinne asked the Chief if he responded to mutual aid runs. Chief stated that he did. Kinne expressed concern about who was at the station protecting our township while the chief was responding for other communities. Chief replied that he left an officer or FF Hawkins in charge. If that was not possible, he stayed. Speck stated her concern that she felt the chief should stay here. Braman stated that she was confident in any fire fighter left at the department to protect the township. Chief stated that he would do what needed to be done to keep the township protected.

New Business:

Cost Recovery: Parsons presented to the Board a draft of a Cost Recovery Ordinance. (See attached) Braman made the motion which was supported by Elliott to accept ordinance.

Roll: Ayes: Elliott, Braman, Speck, Parsons, And Kinne.

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Old Business:

Comprehensive Plan: The Zoning Board presented to the Township Board the proposed comprehensive plan.

Discussion: Braman stated that she felt it was a very good plan and was impressed with the quality and work that the Zoning Board put into preparing it.

Braman made the motion which was supported by Elliott to accept the Comprehensive Plan as submitted.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Fire Personnel Matters:

Supervisor Kinne took the opportunity to state that he has great confidence in Fire Chief Whipple. He would like the board members to support the chief and his officers by providing for them, and encouraging them to participate in, opportunities to acquire more education and training concerning the handling of personnel matters and managerial skills. Through discussion, all board members expressed their support and agreed that the township should provide all that is possible to help train and educate the management level fire fighters in personnel matters. It is the Township Board's goal to ensure high moral, respect for chief and officers, and longevity of fire fighters on the fire department.

Payment of Bills:

Braman made the motion which was supported by Elliott to pay the Fire Department bills and Township bills as submitted.

Roll: Ayes: Elliott, Braman, Speck, Parsons, And Kinne.

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Speck made the motion which was supported by Braman to adjourn.

All in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted by

Marie E. Parsons, Clerk

