CHIPPEWA-MARTINY FIRE BOARD MEETING March 20, 2023

The regular Chippewa-Martiny Fire Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor, Bryan Roels at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Bryan Roels, Barb Hampel, Julie Austin, Cindy Lattimore, Kristin Lytle, Lois Schmidt, Connie Grant, Annette Walters, Debbie Zielinski, and Bill Schoner.

ABSENT: None

Let the record show a quorum of the Chippewa-Martiny Fire Board was present.

MOTION C.Lattimore/J.Austin to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public in attendance.

BUDGET AMMENDMENT:

RESOLUTION J.Austin/K.Lytle to amend the expenditure side of the 2022 budget, Subtracting \$1.35 from the wages line item and adding \$1.35 to the officer-salary line item. **ROLL CALL VOTE: 10 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT. RESLOUTION CARRIES**

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:

Bills were electronically transmitted to each Board member prior to the meeting for review. At this time the bills were presented to the Chippewa-Martiny Fire Board. **RESOLUTION J.Austin/D.Zielinski** to pay check numbers 7168 - 7190 in the amount of \$4,492.54. **ROLL CALL VOTE: 10 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT. RESLOUTION CARRIES**

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer's report is \$41,028.14 as of March 17, 2023. **MOTION K.Lytle/C.Lattimore** to approve the treasurer report and place on file. **MOTION CARRIES**

TRUCK REPORTS:

Truck Reports were electronically transmitted to each Board member prior to the meeting for review. **MOTION C.Lattimore/D.Zielinski** to place truck reports on file. **MOTION CARRIES**

CHIEF COMMENTS:

Chief Brian David reported that a valve was leaking on the Tender, it has been repaired. The thermo-imaging camera was sent in to be repaired (under warranty). It has been returned and it working well. Mecosta County is allocating funds to each Fire Department to purchase safety equipment, these funds are from the marijuana licensing fees. The Chief is still working with the County on disbursement of these funds. MAVIS is on hold; they are waiting for Osceola County's approval. Central dispatch will only approve if both Mecosta County and Osceola County sign up.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dylan Wright – Has not completed his physical. He has turned in his employment verification paperwork. Treasurer J.Austin asked about paying Dylan for his meeting wages. Dylan will not be paid until his physical is complete. Pay will be retroactive for February and March.

NEW BUSINESS:

Firefighter Wages – K.Lytle provided each Board Member with the wages that our surrounding fire departments are currently paying. **RESOLUTION**K.Lytle/C.Lattimore to pay the following wages for 2023-2024:

Chief = \$500 per month

Assistant Chief = \$250 per month

Officers = \$100 per month

\$30 for meeting pay (4 hours or less)

\$60 for meetings lasting more than 4 hours.

\$25 for the 1st hour of a fire call, \$17 per hour for each additional hour.

\$15 per FF1/FF2 class plus mileage; paid upon completion of classes. (Retroactive to October 2022). ROLL CALL VOTE: 10 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT. RESLOUTION CARRIES

2023/2023 Budget – J.Austin provided each Board Member with the proposed budget. Discussion was held. **RESOLUTION C.Lattimore/D.Zielinski** to approve the proposed 2023/2024 budget. Figures were adjusted so J.Austin will provide each Board member with an updated budget at the next meeting. **ROLL CALL VOTE: 10 AYES, O NAYS, O ABSENT. RESLOUTION CARRIES**

Fire Station Restroom – The toilet in the Fire Station Restroom was broken and leaked on the floor, resulting in the floor rotting. Toilet has been replaced. Chippewa Township Maintenance employee, Scott Rice said he could replace the rotted boards and replace the flooring for approximately \$500. RESOLUTION C.Lattimore/K.Lytle to appropriate up to \$500 for repairs in the Fire Station restroom, plus S.Rice's hourly wages. ROLL CALL VOTE: 10 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT. RESLOUTION CARRIES

2023/2024 Meeting Dates, Location, & Times – MOTION K.Lytle/J.Austin to continue having the Chippewa – Martiny Fire Board meetings on the 3rd Monday of April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November 2023, and March 2024. No meeting in December 2023 or February 2024, unless needed. January 2024's

meeting date will be January 22^{nd} . All meetings will be held at 6:30 at the Martiny Township Building. **MOTION CARRIES**

2023/2024 Insurance Renewal -

K.Lytle has not received the renewal information back from Burnham & Flowers. K.Lytle will email it to all Board Members as soon as she receives the information.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

BEING no further business or public comment to be brought before the Board, MOTION J.Austin/D.Zielinski to adjourn the March 20, 2023 regular meeting of the Chippewa-Martiny Fire Township Board. MOTION CARRIED.

Next Fire Board regular scheduled meeting is set for Monday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m., at the Martiny Township Building.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m. These minutes were prepared by: Clerk, Kristin Lytle