

## **Regular Meeting of the Sherman Township Fire and Rescue Department**

March 14, 2023

**In attendance-** S. Loy, M. Jarvi, R. Middlemis-Brown, J. Reno, S. Middlemis-Brown, E. Burger, B. Fountain, H. Hahn (E. Smith, B. Hodges, and J. Hodges by phone)

**Call to order-** Chief S. Loy at 6:33 PM

S. Middlemis-Brown made a motion to approve the February 2023 meeting minutes, R. Middlemis-Brown seconded, there were no corrections and all votes to approve were “ayes.”

### **Incidents**

B. Hodges assisted the Sheriff/Medical Examiner on 2/14.

### **Financial**

Fire Millage Account's balance: \$39,928.93 Fire & Rescue Account's balance: \$19,494.50  
Expenses not included in balances: \$429.23 Battery in command vehicle was possibly overcharging, so the battery and tender were replaced. \$134.37 Corsi-Rosenthal box (fan, filters, duct tape, extension cord) to remove particulates and aerosols from the fire hall.

### **Previous Business**

The foam system was installed on Engine B. The project took 89 total hours (grant writing to finished install) and was completed by R. Middlemis-Brown. Estimated savings of \$9850 by installing the system in house rather than paying for installation. Training on the use of the system will be scheduled when weather permits.

Use of the township credit card for donations made from the FD was discussed. It was decided that the FD will talk with the auxiliary members to determine the best way to donate to charitable causes in the future.

The township board approved for the FD to apply for the AAA Traffic Safety Grant application and R. Middlemis-Brown submitted the application.

There are still funds remaining for PPE from the SAFER Grant. Applicants must take a physical. Both H. Hahn and B. Fountain agreed to join the Fire Department. B. Fountain has stated he wants to attend the MFR course starting in April. There are also two more people who recently moved to the area that have shown interest in joining.

### **New Business**

B. Hodges made a motion, seconded by S. Middlemis-Brown, to purchase 2 60" lift jacks and 2 pairs of high voltage gloves. These items were discussed at the electric vehicle fire suppression training in February. All votes to approve were “ayes.”

R. Middlemis-Brown made a motion, seconded by S. Loy, to cover costs for two members to attend the MFR course in Chassel starting April 5. All votes to approve were “ayes.”

The FD will be hosting a pancake breakfast on May 20th 2023. It was noted that there was no food left over from the last breakfast. The auxiliary will be requested to provide some funding. E. Burger will be arranging the food and checking with other fire departments to minimize overlapping fundraisers.

S. Loy made a motion to adjourn at 7:02 PM, R. Middlemis-Brown seconded.

**Next meeting-** Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 6:30 PM

**Training** (1 hour) session on Incident Command led by S. Loy.

