

BOARD OF WARSAW-WAYNE TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION TERRITORY

October 5, 2021

4:00 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION

The Board of Warsaw-Wayne Township Fire Protection Territory met on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 4:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers. The following persons were noted as present or absent:

PRESENT: Board Members Mike Klondaris, Brandon Schmitt, Jeanie Stackhouse, Gordon Nash, Fire Chief Michael Wilson, Fire Territory Attorney Andrew Grossnickle and Recording Secretary Shirley Fetrow

ABSENT: Mayor Joseph Thallemer

Board Member Klondaris called the meeting to order. A Moment of Silence followed the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES –

After no additions or corrections were noted, Board Member Schmitt made a motion to approve the September 7, 2021 Minutes as written; seconded by Board Member Nash. No further discussion. All Members present were in favor. (Documentation attached to Minutes).

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS – Board Member Klondaris welcomed the visitors in attendance.

REPORTS / ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS –

MONTHLY RESPONSE REPORT – AUGUST 2021 – Chief Michael Wilson summarized and noted a correction to the report. The report indicated the month of March; however, it was for the month of August. The correction will be made and re-entered into BoardPaq. Chief Wilson briefly explained the new CARES Program; an initiative to assist those involved in mental health, repeat citizens involved with slip and falls, individuals recently release from the hospital, etc. The program is a partnership with multiple agencies. A Lutheran EMS representative was not in attendance to review their August 2021 report. (Documentation attached to Minutes).

MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORTS – AUGUST 2021 – Chief Wilson summarized the August expenses for the Operating Fund (Fund 103) and Equipment Replacement Fund (Fund 410).

After no questions were raised, Board Member Klondaris entertained a motion to approve the August expenditures. Board Member Stackhouse made a motion to approve the Operating Fund (Fund 103) and Equipment Replacement Fund (Fund 410); seconded by Board Member Schmitt. No further discussion. All members present were in favor. (Documentation attached to Minutes).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS –

COMCAST AGREEMENT – Chief Wilson presented the Comcast Agreement renewal for approval. The monthly charge increased from \$362.40 to \$373.30. No discussion took place. Board Member Schmitt made a motion to approve the Agreement; seconded by Board Member Nash. All members present were in favor. (Documentation attached to Minutes).

IPEP SAFETY GRANT – PERMISSION TO APPLY – Chief Wilson indicated Assistant Chief Aaron Bolinger has written the grant for OSHA scaffolding training, OSHA fall protection training, and a rescue tripod for technical and confined space rescue. This grant could be awarded for one, two or all three requests. The grant request is \$6,915.00; the fire department's portion would

be 20% or \$1,383.00. Chief Wilson noted that Assistant Chief Bolinger will be teaching a 10-hour OSHA class to all Wastewater, Public Works and Fire Department employees in November. Board Member Klondaris made a motion to approve; seconded by Board Member Nash. No further discussion. All members present were in favor. (Documentation attached to Minutes).

MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE (MIH) PROGRAM – EMS Chief Chris Fancil stated the State of Indiana has encouraged EMS services to get involved with Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH). EMS services are partnering with local facilities such as hospital and mental health facilities to do follow-up visits, vaccinations, home safety visits and wellness checks to name a few. This program fits into the current CARES Program. EMS Chief Fancil stated if the fire department can get certified as a Mobile Integrated Healthcare provider, the fire department can then bill insurance, Medicare and Medicaid for those services. There would be no cost to the individual. Currently the fire department is in the process of setting up meetings with both local hospitals to discuss a possible collaboration between the organizations. EMS Chief Fancil asked for permission to pursue the MIH certification and partnerships. EMS Chief Fancil noted state and federal grants are available to assist in starting a program. A HIPAA release covering a 72-hour period has been devised by Fire Territory Attorney Andrew Grossnickle. Board Member Stackhouse made a motion to approve; seconded by Board Member Schmitt. All members present were in favor. (Documentation attached to Minutes).

TRAVEL REQUESTS – Chief Wilson summarized the three travel requests presented for approval. Board Member Schmitt made a motion to approve all three travel requests; seconded by Board Member Nash. All members present were in favor. (Documentation attached to Minutes).

OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD –

MEETING REVIEW –

NO ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD

A list of today's guests is attached.

ADJOURNMENT –

Board Member Klondaris the motion to adjourn; seconded by Board Member Schmitt. All members present were in favor.

ATTEST:

Shirley Fetrow, Recording Secretary

Jeanie Stackhouse, Board Member

Mike Klondaris, Board Member

Gordon Nash, Board Member

Brandon Schmitt, Board Member

Dr. Joseph Thallemer, Board Member