

Colfax Greenwood Fire Board Meeting

April 11 2022

Meeting called to order @ 7:00p.m. By S. Bigelow, pledge of Allegiance was said.

Board Present: Shelly Bigelow, Ruth Reddy, Marilyn Proffer, Jason Nelson

Board Absent: Nancy Wood, Wes Westbrook.

Public Present: Mike Mix

Public Comment: None

Motion: to approve March minutes by M. Proffer, seconded and passed.

Motion: to pay bills as presented by R. Reddy, seconded and passed.

Treasurer's report will be filed for audit. Ruth wasn't sure Greenwood township's delinquent tax was disbursed to fire department. Shelly will check on it. Jason reported that firefighters who serve other departments are compensated based on the location of the call. If a call originates in Mesick, that firefighter would get paid by Mesick fire department.

Fire Chief's Report:

Ruth asked Jason to check local vendors for tax exemption on purchases. PIA paperwork for vehicle incident was given to Ruth to invoice.

Old Business:

The propane line for the generator is set to be hooked up by Crystal Flash.

Amending the Cost Recovery Ordinance was discussed and possible billed charges were as follows:

Fire Runs: \$1,000.00

Vehicle Accident: \$500.00

Line down: \$500.00

EMS Assist: \$500.00

Water Rescue:???

Cost recovery ordinance is tabled until May meeting to give Jason time to get comparative rate figures from other fire departments. Shelly will also check into what Mecosta county charges.

Shelly stated Greenwood Township was set to hold a special meeting to renew the fire department millage, April 20th. Ruth expressed concern that prior discussion on the Fire board involved either renewing millage (at present rate) rolling back millage to 1 mill, and or adding an additional millage. The current

millage rate was not sufficient to run the fire department as shown in budget paperwork.

Motion: to roll back millage to 1 mill with an additional .25 millage for fire department operations by M. Proffer, seconded and past.

1.25 mills expected to generate \$68,750.00, in the first year.

Bylaws are tabled.

The inventory of fire department equipment is being redone due to Aaron Sogge having an accident. He expects to have it completed in a day or two.

The diesel tank project will not be going forward Jason didn't think it was cost effective to set a tank on the fire barn property.

New Business:

Dry wells were discussed, which will help the township residents reduce their insurance costs by improving the ISO rating. Permits were applied for but Jason hasn't heard back yet from EGLE. Jason will contact EGLE again and see what the status of the permit is. Shelly requested the well locations within Greenwood Township.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37p.m.

Submitted by,

Ruth Reddy Secretary C&G FD