

DRAFT 4-22-09  
APPROVED

**GRATTAN TOWNSHIP  
FIRE ADMINISTRATIVE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE  
APRIL 22, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-Chair Steve Christians, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present – Steve Christians, Paul Knoerl, Ken Brandes, Gloria Burns

Alternate- Shari Miller

Members absent- Scott Vaughan.

Also present Chief Lou Kirkbride and Supervisor Frank Force.

**Agenda-** Steve made a motion to accept the agenda as presented, second by Ken, all ayes. Agenda approved

**Minutes-** Shari read the minutes from the March 2009 meeting, Gloria motioned to accept the minutes as read, second by Paul. . All ayes, minutes approved.

**GTFD report-** Ken stated that training will be focused on Incident command and May Day command.

**Hearing of the public-** Frank explained the rules for placing voting signs through the township for the upcoming millage proposal. There needs to be a committee, which applies and registers for the ability to post signs.

**Old Business**

1. ISO Evaluation – Lou stated that he received a packet of information from Chicago. The department is working hard to fulfill the guidelines that are needed to change the ISO ratings in the township, which will save on residents insurance premiums. Mapping a 5 mile radius using GPS will be done; also all dry hydrants must be certified. Inspections on Foster Cares are underway with proper documentation.
2. Wells, Pump Stations and water supply- Discussed the price for a pump and for the electrical aspect of it as an alternate water supply in the township.
3. Grattan store fundraiser- inactive at this time.
4. Physical Fitness program-inactive
5. Background Checks/Bonding- Paul states that bonding is for those handling money. Lou does drivers checks and has the ability to do background checks.
6. Millage renewal – Lou is writing an article for the newsletter of the upcoming Nov. 2009 millage renewal.
7. Mapping- The 5-mile radius map that Steve did was “as the crow flies” and it needs to be “as the car drives” so Steve will begin to do a new map for the ISO

Evaluation and Rating.

**New Business-**

1. Interview applicant for Fire Dept- the FASC interviewed Brittany Howorth and read her application. Paul made a motion to move Brittany Howorth to the Township Board for approval for a fire fighter trainee, second by Gloria. All ayes. Motion approved.
2. The FASC would like to thank Dianna Force for the excellent job she did on the Appreciation dinner.

**Next meeting:** May 27, 2009

**Adjourned:** 2010 hrs

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Miller, FASC recording secretary