

DRAFT: 11-25-09
APPROVED: 1-27-10

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP
FIRE ADMINISTRATIVE SAFETY COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 25, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 1905 hrs by Vice Chair Steve Christians followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Member present: Steve Christians, Ken Brandes, Paul Knoerl and Alternate Shari Miller.

Member absent: Scott Vaughan (military leave) and Gloria Burns (excused).

Also present Fire Chief Lou Kirkbride and Mark Rosenberger.

Agenda- Steve presented the agenda and added item #10 to Old Business and moved the applicant to the top of the Agenda, motion to approve Paul and second Ken. All ayes.

Agenda approved.

Minutes- Shari read the minutes from the October 2009 meeting, motion to accept them as read by Steve, second by Paul. All ayes. Minutes approved.

GTFD monthly report given by Ken. There still may be a power outage on Dec. 5 and Dec. 12 is the Toys for Tots drive. There were 15 calls this month.

Interview- The FASC interviewed Tonya Travis. Motion by Shari to move the application for fire fighter trainee to the Township board for approval, second by Ken. All ayes. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1. ISO Evaluation and Rating- The millage passed and Dry Hydrants will be top on the list to be looked at. In order for the ISO rating to change we must have an alternate water supply.
2. Wells, pumps station and alternative water supply will be needed as stated above.
3. Fund raiser update-The spring smoke alarm drive brought in some money and that check was deposited into this account.
4. Millage renewal discussion- the millage passed!
5. Radio and dispatch update- no news to report at this time
6. FEMA Grant-no news to report
7. Dangerous Building- The old school house on 5 mile and Murray lake has now been under the involvement of the Kent County Health Dept. They gave the owner Mr. Byrnes until 11-23-09 and then fines will begin occurring. The building has almost collapsed. The township will continue to monitor this situation. See photo and email attached.
8. Fire Fighter Qualifications/promotion from Captain to Chief. Lou will give Steve the job descriptions.
9. Physical fitness for the dept was discussed. Equipment was donated by Amway.

10. Driveway ordinance- The County rules on the driveway ordinance. There is really no enforcement how ever new drives must comply. Shari suggested a Township resident awareness letter.

11. Kurt Faasen- no one has heard from him after several attempts.

12. Next meeting- The next meeting is set for the day before Christmas Eve, Steve made a motion to cancel that meeting.

Next meeting: January 27, 2010

Adjournment 2010hrs

Respectfully Submitted,

Shari Miller, FASC Recording secretary