

## **RICHLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT**

February 12th, 2024 MINUTES

1. Todd Coppernoll called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. at the Fire Station.
2. It was determined that the meeting was posted and properly noticed.
3. Roll call was taken with the following present: Wayne Morse, Jean Nicks, Gordie Brockway, Barb Brockway, Jim Lingel, Glen Niemeyer, Scott Banker, Pat Marshall, Dave Fry, Todd Coppernoll, Tom McCarthy, Steve Downs, Scott Gald, Brent Parker, Steve Krueger, and Lacey Luxton. A quorum was present.
4. Motion by Jean Nicks, second by Dave Fry to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Tom McCarthy, second by Steve Downs to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried.
6. Lacey Luxton reviewed the treasurer's report. At the last meeting the balance in the checking account at The People's Community Bank was \$133,226.81. Payroll total was \$2,447.16, total bills paid were \$22,461.91, and total deposits were \$10,014.65. Leaving a balance in The People's Community Bank checking account of \$118,332.39. The balance in the checking account at the Richland County Bank is \$28,041.70 and there were no transactions this month. The balance of the Money Market account at The People's Community Bank at the last meeting was \$313,130.26. Total interest credit was \$1,130.28, leaving a balance of \$314,260.54. The balance of the Vehicle Replacement account at The People's Community Bank at the last meeting was \$187,519.56. Total interest credit was \$678.07 and Wisconsin Surplus deposit was \$3,441.59, leaving a balance of \$191,639.22. Motion by Dave Fry, second by Wayne Morse to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.
7. The bills were presented for payment. Check #8819-8822 for \$2,447.16 was for payroll, check #8731, 8749-8752, 8814-8818, 8823-8837, and EFT payments for \$22,461.91 was for bills. Motion by Steve Downs, second by Dave Fry to accept the bills as listed and approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.
8. Chief's Report: Fire calls were reviewed by Chief Gald. CO detector awareness and recent call the fire department had the pellets from pellet stoves causing the release of CO. Tour of 15 youth and thank you for their story on TV for shoveling fire hydrants for the fire department during big snow falls. Quarterly fire chiefs meeting in LaFarge on January 22<sup>nd</sup> with discussion on radio system update to digital next year. The firefighters bought class A uniforms and brought to meeting to be shown. DNR update for spring 1 hour training help on February 5<sup>th</sup>. DNR staffing levels are currently low. Training with EMS to show firefighters location of gear in their rig on February 5<sup>th</sup>. February 13<sup>th</sup>, starting on new grant for portable radios as radios are high priority/critical and current radios are out dated. UHP waiting on tank then will go to Gen Com for letters and wiring lights. Looking at moving white ford to sewer plant for more room at station and get new UHP 711 inside station. Extinguisher training coming up at the Richland Hospital, Sherriff's Department, and Outdoor Movie Theater. Walk with Grace May 18<sup>th</sup> – Fire Fighters Challenge, 1-milk walk/run. Attended 'Making a Difference' award presentation to Doug Tyler at the Bowling Alley from Richland Rejuvenates on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Mark Watcher retired on February 5<sup>th</sup>. Brent Parker put together annual report that was handed out to all district members for the recap of 2023.
9. Old Business: Update on Judy Shadewald. Discussion of assessments, 8 townships have paid and Lacey will be sending reminders to remaining unpaid townships to pay.
10. New Business: None
11. Citizen Input: None
12. Other business to come before the Board: None
13. Set agenda for the next meeting: The standard agenda should be used.
14. Next meeting is scheduled for March 11th, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. in the Fire Station.
15. Motion by Jean Nicks, second by Steve Downs to adjourn. Motion carried at 7:34 pm.
  - a. Respectfully Submitted, Lacey K. Luxton, Secretary / Treasurer