

COLFAX GREENWOOD FIRE BOARD MEETING

APRIL 14, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Chair Nancy Wood, who then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: All Board Members present

PUBLIC PRESENT: List attached

MINUTES: The Minutes of March 3, 2025, have a correction of Chief's salary increase to be effective with the new fiscal, April 1, 2025. Motion made by Melody, seconded by Jeanne, to approve the minutes with the correction. Motion carried. The Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 25, 2025 have a correction to the purpose of the meeting to Fiscal 2025. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Jeanne, to approve the minutes with the correction. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Tina Tidey said the Auxiliary would purchase one SawZall if the Fire Dept. would purchase the second SawZall. Motion made by Nancy, seconded by Jeanne, to approve the Dept. purchase of the SawZall. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT: BILLS TO BE PAID: Jason said to not pay the invoice from B&B Fire Divn from Dec. 2024. They did not do anything to warrant billing. There is a dispute with First Out on Alex gear not be correct. Jason is talking to them about the issue, so do not pay until corrected. The total Bills to be Paid is now \$5362.49. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Harold, to pay the bills as corrected. Motion carried. The I Am Responding bill is a 3 Year Agreement with annual billing. Crystal Flash installed a monitor on the tank to refill at 30%. A fill would be approximately 150 gallons in a 500 gallon tank, bringing it up to approximately 85%. An app can be installed on a smartphone to monitor this. A previous question about the township bill being included in the fire dept. was cleared up. It is not included.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jeanne proposed moving the unspent allocated funds from FY 2025 to the designated line items on FY 2026. Motion made by Melody, seconded by Dave, to approve the moving of the unspent allocated funds to the

designated line items. Motion carried. The Treasurer's Report was then filed for audit.

CHIEF'S REPORT: The 3/28/2025, grass fire was out by the time the Dept. got there. The homeowner extinguished it. Jason questioned should it be billed. Yes, for the fuel used by the trucks (2) to get there. The charge would be \$50.00 per truck for two (2) trucks. Motion made by Jeanne, seconded by Nancy, to establish this minimum charge. Motion carried.

Kevin said there is a request out there to follow an electric car that has been in a fire to the destination per the tow company

Jason has an application from a resident of Meauwataka. Nancy will set up the appointment with Cadillac Family for his physical.

Jason would like a Policy change. Officers need to respond to 25% of the calls and 12 training credits per year. Firefighters need to respond to 10% of the calls and 12 training credits per year. The training can be received anywhere with verification. The Policy change would be effective June 1, 2025.

Jason would like a Fire Danger sign in front of the office. Cost is \$500.00. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Nancy, to approve \$500.00 for a Fire Danger sign. Motion carried.

Jason had a request to fill a swimming pool this year. Motion made by Jeanne, seconded by Nancy, to decline the request. Motion carried.

Jason requested a trash pick-up for the fire barn. Motion made by Jeanne, seconded by Nancy, to purchase the blue bags from Manton Disposal for \$45.00 for 10 bags. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: LED lights update: The cost is \$300.00 plus new conduit and any other supplies. Dave brought up the pre-buy program at a savings of 5 per gallon. He calculated a savings of \$50.00 per year on average. He will provide more info when it becomes available in May. Harold brought up purchasing the propane tank, then shopping around for the best price. We would lose the monitor from Crystal Flash. Dave will get a cost estimate for natural gas. Discussion of the pros and cons followed without any decision.

NEW BUSINESS: Nancy brought up increasing the millage from 1 to 1.5mils. The election is in 2026 to get it on the ballot. The discussion for the need covered equipment, truck, etc. The millage term is currently 5 years.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marilyn Proffer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Marilyn" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Proffer".

Marilyn Proffer

Secretary at Large

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