

The regular meeting of the Upper Pottsgrove Township Fire Committee was held on Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 7 p.m. Members in attendance were Chairman Martin Schreiber, William Marsden, Tom Mattingly, George Harmansky, Carol R. Lewis, Don Raudenbush and France Krazalkovich. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Martin Schreiber.

Pledge of Allegiance – Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

Approval of Minutes – Motion by F. Krazalkovich second by D. Raudenbush and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of March 8, 2018. C. Lewis and T. Mattingly abstained.

Reports

- A. **Operational Report** – There were 27 calls this month with 66 year to date. There were over 190 staff hours and 432 training hours.
- B. **Membership Report** – There is one new member and three have come off probation and are now regular members.
- C. **Treasurer's Report** – D. Raudenbush handed out the report which was discussed. The Pay Pal expenditure was for an auto ejector port for the traffic unit.
- D. **Fire Fund Budget Update** – C. Lewis reported that over 75% of the taxes have come in already. Also, a \$200 contribution will be coming from a survey she took.
- E. **Fire Relief** – D. Raudenbush has filed the 990s for both relief and the Fire Company as well as catching up past years.

Old Business

- A. **Fire Truck** – The Board discussed the financing package from Tompkins Vist Bank. Many banks will not lend because they will not be the primary lien holder, PEMA would be. They will need the up-front loan and then the PEMA grant will be applied for once the title is received. Motion by D. Raudenbush second by G. Harmansky to go with the ten year option with the understanding that the truck can be paid off early.
- B. **Safety** – An article was shared about the importance of keeping gear clean as it can impart carcinogens to the wearer.
- C. **Training** – A few members attended the Hazmat training in Pottstown.
- D. **Grants** – The PEMA money is on its way. Once it is received the payment will be made on the truck. The SAFER Grant is for personnel this year and so we will not be applying.
- E. **Maintenance** – The electric is fixed for now but it needs to be totally redone. Also, the main door frame is loose.

Adjournment – Motion by C. Lewis second by D. Raudenbush and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol R. Lewis, Manager/Secretary/Treasurer