

Monday October 28th, 2024.

Meeting called to order by Jena Paquette at 6:30 p.m.

Members present on roll call: Jena Paquette, Gary Johnson, Len Manning.

Others Present: Jim Duncan, Alec Adams, Jeff Traynor, Don Ellefson, Kerry Bryan, Mike Dorsey, Marc Ince, Mark Anderson, John Sorenson.

Public comments: No Public Comments

Update on Joint Fire Department training opportunities. No update given.

Review of Fire & EMS Calls for Service for the 2024 service year to date. No update given.

Discussion and possible action regarding Balsam Lake Fire Protection Contract for 2025. Mr. Don Ellefson was in attendance on behalf of the Balsam Lake Township. It was noted that the Town of Balsam Lake is in the process of reviewing the annual Fire Protection Contract that was submitted by the Village of Balsam Lake. No action was taken.

Discussion and possible action regarding Fire Protection services with Apple River Township for 2025. The Village Trustees noted that the 2024 Fire Protection services that Apple River Fire Department has provided has been well received. The committee noted many compliments they have received from the general public. No Action was taken.

Discussion and possible action regarding combining Fire Departments. Representatives from the Milltown Fire Department Association were in attendance. It was noted that if the Village of Balsam Lake wishes to join the association, then a formal letter of request should be submitted for review. The association board would then discuss if they would approve amending the association to include the Village of Balsam Lake and if approved what the annual fee would be. It was noted, such actions would not take time and would not be set in place by the start of 2025.

Discussion and possible action regarding updating Polk County first call for service dispatch. No action was taken.

Fire Chief Report. Fire Chief Report was given by Chief Mark Anderson. This past month there were three fire calls and eleven rescue runs.

Motion by Len Manning to adjourn. Seconded by Gary Johnson. All in Favor. Carried. 8:06 p.m.

Unapproved Minutes

Amy VanDeBrake, Clerk Treasurer