

APPROVED
Cedar Area Fire & Rescue Board
Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 4, 2024 at 2:00 pm
Cedar Fire Department

Call to Order

Chairman Greg Julian called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present on roll call were Greg Julian, John DePuy, John Imboden, Chris Comeaux, and Ron Schaub. Andy Doornbos and Dana Boomer was present as staff.

Discussions/decisions will be for the direction of the Cedar Area Fire & Rescue Board as previously published, per the Open Meetings Act. Potential quorums of township boards will be noted in the minutes.

Citizens Comments – Ron Novak said that he hasn't checked in for quite a while. He hasn't seen a lot of public comment in the minutes lately, which usually means the board is doing a good job, and he wanted to stop in and see how the meetings were going.

Consideration of Agenda – The board briefly discussed the agenda. **Motion by Comeaux to approve the agenda as presented, second by DePuy. All in favor, motion carried.**

Minutes: Approval of December 7, 2023 General Meeting Minutes – **Motion by Imboden to approve the December 7, 2023 General Meeting Minutes as presented, second by Schaub. All in favor, motion carried.**

Correspondence Received – None

Financials –

Boomer had previously provided a handout to the board which detailed the financial statements for December. The board briefly discussed the vendors payable and payroll. The updated unpaid bills detailed list was presented, and briefly discussed.

Schaub moved to accept the December vendors payable as presented, Comeaux seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

DePuy moved to accept the December payrolls as presented, Imboden seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Schaub moved to accept the December financial statements as presented, Imboden seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

- a. 2024 Meeting Schedule – Comeaux has had a conflict arise with the previous dates set for meetings. It was determined that the board meetings will be moved to the 1st Wednesday of each month at 2 pm except for July, which will have the meeting on the first Tuesday (the 2nd). **Imboden moved, DePuy seconded to approve the amended meeting schedule for 2024 (see attached). All in favor, motion carried.**

New Business:

- a. Chief's Vehicle Tour - Chief Doornbos has received his new chief's vehicle, a 2023 Chevy Tahoe. He provided a tour of the new vehicle to the board members.
- b. Any New Business – None

Reports:

- a. Fire Chief – The Chief's Report was provided in the meeting packet. Doornbos summarized his report. The board briefly discussed.
- b. Department Staff – None
- c. Chairman – Julian thanked the staff for their work on the department's social media accounts. He has been part of a county-wide mail chain regarding the possibility of a group insurance plan, but there doesn't seem to be much forward motion on this, in part due to the complexities of various employment contracts at all of the various government agencies throughout the county. Julian has also been in touch with various other township supervisors on matters related to the fire department, and has been continuing to work on attempting to locate an appropriate property for a new station in Kasson and Cleveland Townships.

Citizens Comments – None

Board Member & Chair Comments – Imboden will not be at the February meeting.

Next Meeting Date – The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at 2 pm.

Schaub moved, Imboden seconded to adjourn the meeting. With no further business, Julian adjourned the meeting at 2:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dana Boomer
Recording Secretary

Cedar Area Fire & Rescue

Meeting Dates – 2024

All meetings will take place on the first Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

February 7

March 6

April 3

May 1

June 5

July 2 (Tuesday)

August 7

September 4

October 2

November 6

December 4