

FIRE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JANUARY 3, 2023

The Fire Oversight Committee met in regular session on January 3, 2023 at 5:32 p.m. This meeting was chaired by Mr. Kuhn.

ROLL CALL:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mr. Mike Kuhn, Mr. Glenn Jirka, Dr. Mark Cross, Ms. Ransae Hall and Mr. Lynn Cleveland

The Following Members were Absent: No Members were absent

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Fire Chief Dan Alldred and Roni Saul, Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Jirka moved to approve the November 7, 2022 minutes Mr. Kuhn second the motion to accept.

All in Favor.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

October = 113 Calls for service
November = 85 Calls for service
December = 132 Calls for service

Increase in call volume over last year = 7% 2022=1174 2021=1092

Yearly total calls for service: 2022= 1174 2021 = 1092 2020=1029 2019= 1004 2018= 984

Seven structure fires this year in our district: 1 each January, February, April, May, June, July and October.

Provided Mutual Aid fire response 15 times.

Numerous field and grass fires- not only our district but neighboring districts as well account for some of the Mutual Aid fire responses. Very dry late summer early fall. Most of the brush fires due to open burning.

GFE responded to 67 Motor vehicle crashes in 2022.

As of today 1/3/2023 stand at 8 runs for the year.

Manpower – lack of-though not as bad as it was, still continues to be a problem. Pay rate increases effective 1st of January (COLA) hopefully will help. We are competitive with our pay rates.

Attended Sinclair Community College Graduation Job Fair December 9th for Firefighter's and EMT's, approximately 10 departments on site trying to lure prospective employees. Had a lot of interest from the

40+ graduates I spoke with. Our new pay scale very competitive with the other departments. Have had one contact.

Three of our employees completed Paramedic class in early December. One has completed all requirements the other two working on completing Protocol testing.

Have one prospective candidate in the hiring process. Could use several more.

We have received our new Rosenbuaer Fire Engine. Needs to be lettered then equipment moved over from old Engine. Then training, etc. Will take some time to place in service.

GFE participated in the December 10th Christmas Horse Parade.

OVERSIGHT MEMBERS REPORT:

Nothing to Report

BUSINESS:

Elect Chair for 2023 and Elect Vice Chair.

Mr. Kuhn was elected to Chair, Mr. Jirka moved to approve and Dr. Cross second approval.

Dr. Cross was elected Vice Chair, Mr. Kuhn moved to approve and Mr. Jirka second approval.

All in Favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the committee, Dr. Cross motioned to adjourn, Mr. Jirka 2nd the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm