FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION

September 6, 2018

A regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Fire Prevention was held in the Main Conference Room at the Franklin Township Municipal Building at 475 DeMott Lane, Somerset; on September 6, 2018 from 7:35 pm to 8:55 pm. Chairwoman Christina Klam called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and reading of the Sunshine Notice.

A moment of silence was held for all members who have passed.

ATTENDANCE		
Shanel Robinson	Phil Kramer	Township Council
X Brian Farrar		Twp. Manager/Police Dept.
X John Hauss	Andrew Berardo	Fire Prevention
X Rich Hibbard	Jim Wickman	Fire District No. 1
X Darrell Myers	X Dave Hammer	Fire District No. 2
X Sherrod Middleton	X Kenneth Reid	Fire District No. 3
X Christina Klam	X Keith Chase	Fire District No. 4
Vincent Inzano	X Steve Berardo	Fire Chief's Association

MINUTES – The July 12, 2018 meeting minutes were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORT – The Board reviewed the Activity, FAAR and Fire Call Response reports for July and August 2018. John Hauss added Fire call Response sheet for District 1 a column tracking the engine under the Addendum with District # 1.

TRUST FUND – \$ 8,886.32

John Hauss requested \$1,800 to cover the cost for a track hoe used at the fire scene at 730 South Middlebush Road. A discussion ensued on the need to address these types of situations including who is authorized to call for such equipment and paying for equipment. John explained the Township recently purchased a track hoe, but the machine was not big enough to do the job so an outside contractor needed to be called. John also explained that the machine was needed to make the structure safe for firefighting to continue. Dave Hammer advised even though District # 2officer did not request the machine, he would ask his Board to pay for it because the incident happened in District # 2.

SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT – The Board asked the District #3 commissioners if they were going to participate in the Agreement; Sherrod Middleton stated District #3 will not be participating.

JOINT BOARD – COMMISSIONERS & FIRE CHIEFS – The next meeting is scheduled for September 27th from 7pm-9pm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS – The Board discussed radios for Fire Prevention and flashing the existing radios is what will be done.

A discussion on radio banding in the future was discussed; Brian Farrar said we will not know until 2020.

ROUNDTABLE COMMENTARY – Brian Farrar informed everyone that OEM bought a new trailer. It holds cots and blankets for 200 people. It is filled with cots, tables, chairs, blankets, coolers, etc. Everything that is needed for a disaster.

Richard Hibbard mentioned the Somerset County Fire Police Association meeting is being held at Woods Road Fire House in Hillsborough on October 12 at 7:30.

PUBLIC SESSION – None

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 7:30 PM

Franklin Township Municipal Building

Large Conference Room

Respectfully submitted,

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