

Augusta Charter Township
8021 Talladay Road
Whittaker, Michigan 48190
Fire Department Building Committee

Meeting Date: April 19, 2007 at 10:30 am

Meeting Called to Order by Chairperson Roy Smith at 10:35 am

Committee Members Present:

- Roy Smith
- Victor Chevrette
- Dave Music
- Brian Shelby
- Bill Tobler

Announcements and Correspondences

- None presented

Appointment of Officers

- Discussion on Chairperson's position. Roy Smith Nominated Dave Music to be Chairperson. Vote taken and Dave Music was elected to the position
- Discussion on Paul Wagner being nominated as Secretary for the committee. Vic Chevrette nominated Paul Wagner. Vote taken and Paul Wagner was elected to the position.

Establish 2007 Meeting Dates

- There was discussion about the meetings being "Public Meetings" and the committee felt they should be. Everyone felt the best interest of the Township and the Fire Department would be best served by allowing as much public input as possible.
- There was discussion on what dates would best suit the committee and the Township Board. Friday mornings at 9:00 am on the Second Friday of the month was decided. The meetings will be posted, as would any other public meeting. Additional meetings may need to be scheduled as things pick up.
 - Calendar Dates
 - May 11
 - June 8
 - July 13
 - August 10
 - September 14
 - October 12
 - November 9
 - December 14

Status of Soil Borings

- Vic Chevrette talked about that Haengel & Associates was approved to do the borings by the Board. Discussion on steps that should be done prior to doing the borings. One step was to make sure that the station as designed would actually fit the plot of land at Willis and Whittaker. Craigmile is supposed to determine a cost to determine whether the plan fits the plot. The Board is supposed to vote on his fee to do the study, then he can make the determination. It was decided to hold off on doing the borings until Craigmile comes back with his findings, which is supposed to be within the next two weeks.

Other Business

- Discussion on making sure all of the committee members and all of the Board members are educated on the entire plan for the fire station. We discussed how there are a lot of rumors going

around and that one of the problems appears to be a lack of information. There was discussion on educating the public by putting together a program that we would make available to everyone to better inform everyone as to why a new station is needed. Everyone felt it would be an asset to inform the public so that they can make an educated decision. Paul Wagner and Vic Chevrette will get pictures together of the old vs. the new. Brian Shelby will gather some info on the history of the original Augusta Township Fire Department to show the progression. Everyone agreed to start working towards a good PR program. Bill Tobler reported he will be happy to handle the Web page part of the program

- It was reported that Kathy Jackson is suppose to make contact with Lombardo on his property in order to make a final determination on the status of that property. It is still out there as a possibility but a final decision must be made to move on or not.

Next Meeting Initial Agenda items

- Craigmile report on Willis Road Property
- Report on the Lombardo Property
- Status report on PR Plans

Minutes by Robert Paul Wagner