# Liberty Township, Porter County Meeting Minutes April 11, 2022 6:00 PM

Present were board members Terry Dunn, Jackie Sterling and Tim Cole. Also in attendance were Matt Keiser, Township Trustee, and Michele Bollinger, Township Clerk.

## **Meeting Minutes:**

Michele read the minutes from the February 14, 2022, meeting. Jackie made a motion to accept the minutes; Tim seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

# **Fire Department Report:**

Assistant Fire Chief Michael Wineland reported for the first quarter there were 82 calls in January (52 in Liberty), 64 calls in February (21 in Liberty), and 76 calls in March. So far there has been 240 calls in 2022.

The Fire Department held an event with Opportunity Enterprises and had 15 attendees at the station for a tour.

On Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Boot Drive to raise money for the Hoosier Burn Camp from 10-1pm at Meridian and Hwy 6.

On May 13<sup>th</sup>, the Liberty Elementary kindergarten class will visit the Station for a tour.

The chassis for the new squad on order had been received, but the delivery date has not been scheduled.

## Trustee's Report:

Matt reported that he is working with Duneland School's civil engineer, Adam McAlpine, to have a sanitary sewer line designed from the fire

station to the school's line so that the fire station could abandon their current septic system. The Township has contracted with McAlpine Consulting Services to complete the design. Hopefully construction will take place over the summer.

The DLGF issued a letter requesting that we transfer \$450 from Fire and \$354 from Cumulative Fire to the 2022 Levy Excess Fund. Tim made a motion to transfer the requested funds; Terry seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Matt, Tim and representatives from LTVFD met with the Jackson Township Trustee to discuss the subject of establishing a fire territory. The outcome of the meeting is that additional research would need to be done and Jackson Township was non-committal.

Matt reported that there has been some discussion between Liberty Rec and the Duneland School System about building additional fields for Liberty Rec at the Liberty Elementary school. If this were to happen, it would open the possibility for a new fire station to be built on the existing property.

## **New Business:**

None

### **Old Business:**

None

#### **Public Comment:**

None

Motion to adjourn was made by Tim; Jackie seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Terry Dunn, Township, Board President

Jacquelyn M. Sterling, Township Board

Timothy Cole, Township Board