Jamestown Township Fire Board Unofficial Minutes of March 15, 2021

Meeting called to order at 5:45 PM

In attendance were board members: Janet Oskin, Wendell Loew, Mike Rose, Derek McCormick and Jim Ondersma.

Fire Department member attending: Chief Duane Miedema.

No one from the community attended the meeting.

Clerk Candy DeHaan Administered the Oath of Office to Janet Oskin, Wendell Loew and Derek McCormick.

The minutes of the November 16, 2020 were read and approved.

Chiefs Report:

- For the month of February 2021, there were 41 calls compared to 30 calls in 2020. To date there have been 97 calls total.
- Total calls for 2020 were 398.
- The Fire Department has ordered a new utility pick up through the state purchase agreement for a total of \$31,761. The emergency lights for the truck will be installed by a Jamestown Township Business, Sound Off.
- Also purchased were 8 new air bottles at a cost of \$1,250 each. The new bottles are replacing bottles with expired usage dates.
- There will be an interview for a prospective new fire fighter on March 22. Board members Mike Rose and Jim Ondersma will attend the interview.
- All 5 of the trainees attending the academy have passed the medical portion of their training and are currently taking the firefighting classes to complete their training.
- Fire Fighter Jared Miller has completed his training.
- Fire Safety Officer Tim Kortman has resigned from the fire department and fire fighter Nels Johnson has taken over his responsibilities.
- The Paw Paw Fire Department toured our station, as they are designing a new station.
- The department has purchased two new Lucas Chest Compression System units and chargers.
- Contractor Andy Eagan has completed the upgrades on the heating and cooling system at station 1.

The next scheduled meeting will be May 17, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Submitted by Jim Ondersma