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**Whitewater Township Emergency Services Advisory Committee
Minutes of Special Meeting held June 30, 2011**

Call to Order

Chairman Rod Kuncaitis called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm at Whitewater Township Hall, 5777 Vinton Road, Williamsburg, Michigan

Roll Call

Committee members present: Pat Miller, Rod Kuncaitis, Fran Butler, Glenn Savage, Mike Conlan (arrived late 6:48) Alternate, Charlie Decker

Committee members absent: none

Others attending: Recording Secretary Lisa Bowerman and 2 others.

Motion from Savage to approve minutes from the June 27th meeting, 2nd by Butler, minutes unanimously approved as presented.

Purpose: Discuss what the Grand Traverse Band Proposed at the WT Board Meeting June 28th

GTB Proposal

- Discussion by all committee members on their impression / what they heard, of what was presented by the GTB.
- Committee members all agreed that the GTB wants a facility, fire, police, and ALS service.
- Questions about 24/7 coverage and Constables.
- Discussion about the contract being black and white.
- Kuncaitis is looking into a Tribe in Minnesota that has an agreement with the township they are in.
- Kuncaitis, the Tribal Council had a meeting the next day and they want this done yesterday, and if there is any trouble getting the Ladder Truck back to the township they are ready to step in and help.

Public Comment:

Vaughn Harshfield, 4404 N. Broomhead Rd.

- Impressed with the presentation, likes that we are groundbreaking.

Committee Updates

- Conlan, the Ladder Truck needs to be here.

Conlan made a Motion to recommend to the WWT, that the Ladder Truck come back to our Station. 2nd by Butler.

- Discussion about inventory of the Ladder Truck and adding it to our inventory list and making sure our Dept. knows how to use it.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Miller started talking to appraisers and got a Blue Book for fire equipment, and stated that we will make sure to have a list of equipment that is on any vehicle that we are interested in.
- Butler is picking up paper work from the Chief Stites on the Dept.'s Personal certifications
- Savage reported on the sq. footage of our Station 40x 80, building where the Ladder Truck is stored ,10x42 .

Other Business

- Discussion on the impression of the rest of the WWT Board meeting 6/28.
- Conlan, we need this Fire Chief for the transition that is about to happen.
- Discussion about the Fire Chief Vehicle Policy.
- Looking into other township Vehicle Policy's.
- Discussion on what we as a committee are tasked to do.
- The ESAC has been tasked to find out if the WWT Fire Chief's position is full or part-time.
- Kuncaitis asked Butler to get #'s on sizes of other townships and see if they have a full/part time Fire Chief.

Miller made a Motion to have WWT Board say what we are tasked to do, 2nd by Butler, discussion, Motion rescinded by Miller, 2nd by Savage.

- Discussion on writing up what our understanding is of what we (ESAC) are tasked to do and presenting it to the WWT Board.
- Kuncaitis, WWT Board wants updates at their meetings from this committee.
- Committee discussion on staying on task of having equipment by Dec. 31st. and keeping this Fire Dept. together.

- Plan has to be on what we have, not what is promised, discussion on having plan 1 and 2.

Misc.

- Kuncaitis submitted mile reimbursement forms to committee members.

Announcements

Next meeting 7/11 at 6:30

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Bowerman, Recording Secretary