

FIRE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD October 5, 2021

The Fire Oversight Committee met in regular session on October 5, 2021 at 5:38. This meeting was chaired by Mr. Kuhn.

ROLL CALL:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Lynn Cleveland, Abra Reed, and Mike Kuhn and Glenn Jirka.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Fire Chief Dan Alldred, Roni Saul, Administrative Assistant and Mark Heisted, German township, fiscal officer. Richard Pettit and Glenn Jirka were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Glenn Jirka moved to approve the April 5, 2021 minutes as submitted. Lynn Cleveland second the motion to accept.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

July- 91 calls for service

August-95

September- 97

Increase in call volume about 3% over the same 9 months from 2020. 801 (2021) 777 (2020)

1. Manpower continues to be an issue. We were able to attract approximately 12 new personnel since construction of our new facility, however 4 of those have moved on. We continue to seek new recruits and will continue to attend SCC graduations and use other means to attract candidates as well.
2. EMS Bev Campbell retires as of January 1, 2021. We were finally able to have a small open house retirement for her the end of August. Chief Bev provided 40 years of service to the Germantown German Township community.
3. Covid is still out there and is actually seen at a higher rate now than ever before. Crews continue to take necessary precautions as needed. Some PPE items are still a struggle to procure and costs have risen drastically on some items. (Gloves were \$13.90 a box now \$28.88 a box)
4. Fire Prevention Week 2021-we will not be going into the schools again this year. Valley View has already had to place some classes on remote learning due to Covid. WE will work with the schools and other groups to get the kid to come to us and use the apparatus bay so that we can maintain a safe distance in an open air environment.
5. Fire Prevention Open House- we will be holding our Open House this year- Saturday October 16th from 6pm-8pm in conjunction with Germantown's Saturday Night Out "Nightmare" event. The Open House will be held in the apparatus bay of Station 63 with the bay doors open-so very much an "open air environment." There was not an Open House held last year due to Covid.
6. Structure fire-September 11th- German Township- mutual aid received from Miami Valley Fire District and Farmersville Fire Department. No one home when fire started and if had not been a total loss. Crews did a good job of knocking the fire down quickly and the quick response and assistance from neighboring departments was much appreciated.

7. Fuel Spill-September 28th- German Township approximately 75 gallons of diesel fuel spilled onto the road surface from a motor vehicle collision involving a dump truck and passenger vehicle. No injuries. Spill cleaned up with Ohio EPA on site.
8. MVC's –intersection of Manning at Diamond Mill has become a frequent destination here recently with GFE units responding to three crashes this intersection in September alone.

Tonight we ask for approval for the approval of the 2022 Fire-EMS budget as submitted.

OVERSIGHT MEMBERS REPORT:

There was no members report.

BUSINESS:

Budget approval 1st motion by Glenn Jirka and 2nd motion by Abra Reed.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the committee, Mr. Jirka motioned to adjourn, Mrs. Abra Reed 2nd the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm