

Brodhead Fire Commission Meeting Minutes
Friday June 2, 2023
Brodhead Fire Station
10:00 AM

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:04 AM
2. Roll Call to determine if a quorum is present.
Present- S. Hazeltine, A. Schneider, P. Faessler, T. Simpson, P. Naramore, C. Jones
3. Motion to deviate from the order of the agenda if necessary.
Motion made by A. Schneider to approve the agenda as presented
Seconded by T. Simpson
Motion Passed
4. Public Appearances: This is the public's opportunity to speak.
Each citizen is allowed 10 minutes to address the Commission. - None
5. Approval of previous meeting minutes. Discussion/Possible Action.
Motion to approve the Brodhead Fire Commission May 5, 2023 meeting minutes as presented
Motion made by T. Simpson
Seconded by C. Jones
Motion Passed
6. Reports of departments activities:
 - a. Firefighters Inc.: Nothing at this time
 - b. Fire Inspector: Dan Bartelt-Fire Inspection Services-Finishing up 1st round of inspections. After the meeting the Fire Inspector will meet with A. Schneider and P. Faessler to gain access to town halls and church.
 - c. Fire Chief:
*Admin Assist Osborne gave report of calls for **May 2023**: Fire Response 2, Cancel 2, MABAS 3 Lift Assist 4, MVA 3, Assist BAEMS 5, 1st Response 1 **Total 20 Calls**
Chief Scheidegger mentioned the Compensation & Benefits Bylaw and the changes that were introduced to the bylaw committee from the officers.
T. Simpson had concerns with the budget where it is at with the increase in pay will this cause the budget to increase. The discussion with no merger with EMS and the Paid on Shift not using the money funded or projected it there should be a decrease to the budget to cover the cost of the increase in the pay structure.
Motion by Casey Jones to update from 2020 to 2023 Compensation & Benefits Bylaw
Seconded by A. Schneider
Motion Passed
Chief Scheidegger asked S. Hazeltine the status of Orfordville/Newark. S. Hazeltine mentioned Newark was leaving Orfordville Dist. wanted to leave as soon as possible but the lawyer said they would still be responsible for payments for this year. Possible staying until the end of year. Town of Beloit board members was unaware of what was going on. Talked about possibly charging a fee if Orfordville had to respond to Newark Township once they leave.
 - d. Life Quest: **Nothing at this time**

7. New Business

a. By Law Committee-Discussion/Possible Action: Was discussed under Fire Chief

b. Sirens - Discussion/Possible Action:

C. Jones asked if sirens were needed. It would cost 25k to fix. Hard to pinpoint the issue without being able to shut down each siren one by one to test. Discussion of centralizing the siren so not as many are needed. Chief will talk to the Officers about possibly going down to sirens only for structure fires. C. Jones will look into this more

c. Treasurer's Report-Discussion/Possible Action:

Operating Account Balance: \$222,287.81

Money Market Capital Account Balance: \$62,090.18

Total Accounts Balance: \$284,377.99

Motion to approve Treasurer's report made by C. Jones

Motion passed

a. Open and transfer 2022 fund balance to money market account at Bank of New Glarus

Discussion/Possible Action

S. Hazeltine before taking action on the open and transfer 2022 fund balance to money market account at the Bank of New Glarus had information to relay to the commission.

S. Hazeltine talked with the Bank of Brodhead if we change the BFD safe money market to an executive BFD will make 3% interest.

Bank of New Glarus Business Legacy only at a 1%

Motion to move from a safe money market account to an executive money market account at the Bank of Brodhead.

Motion made by C. Jones

Seconded by T. Simpson

Motion Passed

d. Payments of Bills-Discussion/Possible Action:

May Bills Paid After May 5, 2023 Meeting:

AT&T FirstNet \$42.99, Bedward, Richard \$840.00, Blackhawk Tech \$80.00,

Brodhead Water & Light \$388.42, Capital One \$1,066.18, Charter \$185.90, Conway Shield \$79.58

D&M Express of Wis. \$2,800.00, Decatur Dairy \$57.15, Deluxe Checks \$219.41,

Design Electric \$918.00, EcoWater \$23.00, Fire Service, Inc. \$303.37, Gasser \$11.75,

Griffin, Tiffany \$192.00, L&S Service \$1,282.71, McNeil & Co. \$40.84, Napa \$366.65,

Nolte's Garage \$54.85, Piggly Wiggly \$100.69, Pomp's \$175.15,

Scheidegger, Robert \$660.00, \$1260.00, \$1,185.00, Speich \$565.08

WE Energies \$203.83, WRS \$763.05

May Credits Received After May 5, 2023 Meeting

State of Wis-DNR Reimburse \$5,573.46, Brodhead Area EMS \$108.17

Motion to approve Payment of Bills by C. Jones

Seconded by T. Simpson

Motion passed

8. Commission Comments or Questions:

This is the Commission's opportunity to speak about anything that is not a specific agenda item.

Nothing at this time

9. Discussion/Possible Action on future agenda items and next meeting date and time:

Remove Sirens Discussion/Possible Action from agenda will add if needed in future

Next Meeting: **Friday, July 7, 2023 at 10:00 AM Brodhead Fire Station**

10. Motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn at 11:15 AM by C. Jones

Seconded by T. Simpson

Meeting adjourned

Heather Osborne

Brodhead Fire District Admin. Asst.