

Brodhead Fire Commission Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2023
10:00 A.M.
Brodhead Fire Station

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:01 AM
2. Roll Call to determine if a quorum is present.
Present - S. Hazeltine, A. Schneider, P. Naramore, C. Jones, P. Faessler,
T. Simpson (GotoMeet)
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 C. Jones
Motion Passed
4. Public Appearances: This is the public's opportunity to speak.
Each citizen is allowed 10 minutes to address the Commission.
No one
5. Approval of previous meeting minutes. Discussion/Possible Action.
Motion to approve the Brodhead Fire Commission August 4, 2023 and Special August 18, 2023 meeting minutes as presented.
Motion made by T. Simpson
Seconded by C. Jones
Motion Passed
6. Reports of departments activities:
 - a. Firefighters Inc.: Pancake Breakfast, October 15, 2023, Brodhead Fire Station from 7-11:00 AM
 - b. Fire Inspector: Nothing at this time
 - c. Fire Chief:
Admin Assist Osborne gave report of calls for **AUGUST 2023**: Fire Response 7, Cancel 1, MABAS 1 Lift Assist 5, MVA 3, Assist BAEMS 4, 1st Response 4 **Total 25 Calls**
Chief Scheidegger mentioned that BFD received a grant from New Glarus Brewery (2nd Asst. Chief Pinnow wrote) Grant was for 10k for mobile radios. Will check to see if there are any stipulations to go along with the grant.
Chief Scheidegger mentioned that Truck 2 radio bank is no good looking to replace 6 radio banks and radios with digital.
Chief Scheidegger would like to have the HME Engine in service by the end of November.
 - d. LifeQuest/Fire Recovery: All fire calls that are billable will now go to Fire Recovery Hub and will be submitted by Admin. Assist. Osborne for payment. Money received will still go to Lifequest to be distributed back to the Brodhead Fire Dist.
7. New Business
 - a. 2024 Budget - Discussion/Possible Action:
C. Jones had several questions on line items and the reason the amounts were budgeted at those amounts. Questions were answered. Line item amounts were not changed.

T. Simpson felt money left over from this year should be used to reduce the budget or line items for next year.

S. Hazeltine does not want to see the leftover money from the 2023 budget be used to pay down the 2024 budget because people don't look at the decrease of a few dollars but they will definitely notice when there is an increase of a few dollars if there is a tax increase.

C. Jones made the motion to accept the 2024 budget of \$487,500 as presented

Seconded by A. Scheider

Motion Passed 6 ayes 0 nay

b. By Law Committee-Discussion/Possible Action: Nothing at this time

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

Operating Checking Account Balance: \$500,925.16

Executive Money Market Operating Money Market \$53,973.07

Capital Money Market Balance: \$158,787.11

Total Accounts Balance: \$713,685.34

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

Seconded by A. Schneider

Motion passed

d. Payments of Bills-Discussion/Possible Action:

Paid after August 4, 2023 Meeting: ABC Fire & Safety \$320.00, Adv. Health & Safety \$75.00

Adv. Health & Safety \$900.00, American Test Center \$1,295.00, AT&T \$42.99, Bandt \$178.00

Brodhead Water & Light \$520.35, Capital One \$2,228.78, Charter \$185.90,

Conway Shields \$156.50, Design Electric \$1,833.20, Decatur Dairy \$53.52, Ecowater \$23.00,

Fire Inspection Service \$6,127.50, Firefighter Pay-Leave Work \$416.25, Macqueen \$1,331.01,

McNeil & Co. \$620.96, Middlesex \$1,129.00, Monroe Engraving \$37.50, Piggly Wiggly \$11.41

Reliant Fire \$15.44, Reimburse-Oborne \$102.05

Robert Scheidegger Paid on Premise (7/31/2023) \$1,057.50 and (8/15/2023) \$802.50

Sewer - City of Brodhead \$115.59, Speich \$160.86

Money Market Capital Account: Bandt 2,098.04 DNR grant for install Radios

Credits received after August 4, 2023 Meeting: Town of Avon (Assessment) \$16,509.84,

City of Brodhead (Assessment) \$241,910.31, Town of Decatur (Assessment) \$156,899.61,

Town of Avon (2% dues) \$550.34, Town of Decatur (2% dues) \$6,576.98,

Kuhn North America Reimb. \$320.00, Brodhead Area EMS Reimb. \$247.28

Paid at September 15, 2023 Meeting: ABC Fire & Rescue \$748.00, Alert-All \$290.00,

AT&T \$42.99, Bedward, Rick \$1,680.00, Brodhead Water & Light \$575.09, Capital One \$3,021.33

Charter \$180.41, Conway Shield \$156.50, Ecowater \$23.00, Emergency Medical \$899.80

Gasser \$112.70, Kittelsen, Barry, Wellington & Thompson (Fire Dist Atty) \$2,095.00

L&S Truck Service \$994.12, Macqueen \$55.00, Mueller Graphics \$3,250.00, NFPA \$43.25,

Piggly Wiggly \$94.28, Poms \$3,502.45, Register Print Center \$100.00

Rennert's (Pump Test 4 Trucks) \$2,065.20, Rob Scheidegger \$1,282.50 and \$1,050.00,

Sewer-City of Brodhead \$119.53, Speich Oil \$819.06

Wright World Sports \$20.00.

Credits received at September 15, 2023 Meeting: Brodhead Firefighters' Inc. \$923.24

Motion to approve Payment of Bills by C. Jones

Seconded by P. Naramore

Motion passed

A. Schneider made a motion to amend motion by C. Jones for payment of bill to add payment Advance Health & Safety for \$3,800 for abatement of house for training, check number 4215.

Seconded by P. Faessler

Motion to approve payment of bills to include Advance Health & Safety made by C. Jones

Seconded by P. Naramore

8. Commission Comments or Questions:

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

*Comments about EMS possibly not wanting to fund paid on premise in future. S. Hazeltine feels if EMS does not want to fund paid on premise and Brodhead Fire continues to those members that are working scheduled hours for Fire would not be able to leave for EMS calls.

*During dissolution proceedings there was a letter of understanding drawn up that explained the calculation for the distribution of the assessment of the Brodhead Fire Dist. between the participating municipalities. For some reason it was not signed by each party. City will take it to the City Council for review.

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

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 11:00 Brodhead Fire Station

10. Motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn at 11:04 AM by S. Hazeltine

Seconded by C. Jones

Meeting adjourned

Heather Osborne

Brodhead Fire District Admin. Asst.