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Emergency Services Authority 7425 Woodbury Road P.O. Box 96 Laingsburg, Michigan 48848



## L.S.W. EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES Approved June 20, 2018

The regular meeting of the L.S.W. Emergency Services Authority was called to order by Chairman Kline on Wednesday, June 20, 2018, at 6:02 p.m. at Station I Fire Hall at 7425 Woodbury Rd., Laingsburg. Members present: Kline, Cross, McDougall, Jelenek, Sparkes and Austin. Absent: None.

Also present: Chief Betts, Officers, staff, and Deputy Secretary, Amber Waldburger.

Moved by Cross, seconded by Austin to approve the minutes of May 16, 2018, as printed. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by Sparkes, seconded by Cross to approve the Treasurer's Report, subject to audit. All in favor, motion carried.

Run logs were handed out for the fire and the ambulance. The Fire Department had 62 runs, and the Ambulance had 33 runs for the month of May.

2019-2020 Proposed Budget was introduced. No action was taken but Board did request additional information on the expiration of current City millage rates as well as a copy of the Victor Township budget. Cross assigned the Deputy Secretary with the task of getting the information distributed to the Board within a week so they can review it prior to the July board meeting.

Funding status and options were discussed. There have been an increase in expenses without corresponding funding increases. It was discussed whether or not the entities could get rid of the per-household assessment, and also whether or not we could combine the assessments and millages into one EMS assessment, rather than separate Fire and Ambulance assessments. We want to be able to stay competitive with wages and training opportunities, and we need to be able to keep up with increasing state requirements for EMS operations. We also need to keep in mind our aging infrastructure and the expense of keeping it up. The Board decided to table this item until next meeting when information was gathered on the expiration of the City's current millage rate. At the July meeting they can then set a timeline in regards to informing the people and campaigning for a funding increase, set up a task list and assign people to various tasks, thus setting up a plan for going forward in this matter, preferably towards a ten-year plan.

Moved by Sparkes, seconded by Cross to pay the bills as approved: check #6553 thru check #6570 from the General Fund in the amount of \$6,190.10 dated 5/21 - 6/20, and EFTs in the amount of \$1,090.33 for Consumers Energy, Frontier, and TDS; Payroll from the Trust and

Agency Fund using direct deposits in the amount of \$20,156.40, dated 6/1, and 6/05. Roll call vote—Ayes: Kline, Sparkes, Austin, McDougall, Jelenek and Cross. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Kline, seconded by Sparkes to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Amber Waldburger Deputy Secretary