

# **BERRIEN COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION**

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Wednesday, August 3rd, 2016

Berrien Springs Fairgrounds

Meeting called to order at 19:34 hours by President Rob Gruener

Roll call of officers present: President Rob Gruener and Secretary/Treasurer Dennis Graham. 1<sup>ST</sup> Vice President Mike Moran and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Patty Cattes were absent.

Roll call of departments indicated 23 departments represented with 85 members present.

The donations received for dinner were in the amount of \$233.50. The 50/50 was \$90/\$45.

The July minutes were presented. A motion was made by Pat Cortville with support from Denny Sexton to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report for July was presented. A motion was made by Donny Johnson with support from Craig Brent to approve the treasurer's reports. Motion carried.

## **Bills submitted for payment:**

- Korn Dog Meal -\$240.85-payment to Bruce Stover.
- Fire Education Center supplies-\$226.61-payment to Gerry Kableman

A motion was made by Dan Krone with the support by Denny Sexton to pay the two bills submitted. Motion carried. Checks were issued.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **911 Committee: Rich Knuth-**

- No Report

### **Emergency Management: Rocky Adams**

- Thank you for your help and support.
- 2016 Emergency Response Guide books are now available.

### **DNR:**

- No Report

### **Chief's Association: Mike Davidson-**

- Bibles were ordered by Chief Lamb.

### **Dispatch: Denny Sexton-**

- Working on Radio issues and mapping software.
- Testing continues on 800 MHz pagers.

### **Training Committee: Corey Burks-**

- E-mail being sent out for firefighter 1 & 2 registration information. Looking forward to a good year! Plans are for 30 students
- The Burn Trailers at Berrien Springs and is training available.
- Career Pathways numbers are currently not available class yet.

### **Resource Directory: Gerry Kabelman-**

- Signup sheet for Fair
- Morning set up on Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **HazMat: Cory Burks-**

- The 2016 E.R.G. books are available and the training committee will take the old ones.

**Sheriff: Paul Bailey-**

- Thank you for your help and support.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Start planning a nomination committee for officers. President Gruener announced he will not seek a nomination for next term.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Red Cross Ride to Remember
- Lincoln Township Benefit Supper
- New Buffalo City pancake breakfast
- Bertrand Township Open House to welcome the new truck
- Chickaming Township Open House to welcome their new truck

Host Chief Stover thanked everyone for a good turnout and announced the need for more staffing at the fair for fire protection in open slots throughout the week. Our program was given by Cory Burks on Fair updates and safety guidelines

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Denny Sexton and supported by Gerry Kableman.  
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 20:15 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dennis Graham*

**The next meeting will be held on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
At Buchanan Township Fire Department  
Dinner will be at 1830 hours, followed by the meeting at 1930 hours.**