

**THE MINUTES OF THE PRINCETON FIRE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
HELD AT 7:00 P.M., ON TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014, AT THE
PRINCETON PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**

1. Call to Order/Introductions – Chair Whitcomb called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the training room in the Princeton Public Safety building. Those in attendance included:

Members present:

Paul Whitcomb, Chair	City of Princeton
Gene Stoeckel	Princeton Twsp.
Arvid Jenkins	Spencer Brook Twsp.
Stephen Dolin	Greenbush Twsp.
Cathy Lundeen	Wyanett Twsp.

Members absent:

Roger Nelson	Blue Hill Twsp.
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Staff Present:

Jim Roxbury	Chief, P.F.R.D
Mark Karnowski	City Administrator

2. Review/Consideration of May 5, 2014 Minutes

STOECKEL MOVED TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 5, 2014. DOLIN SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR, THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Agenda Additions/Deletions – Lundeen asked to add a conversation about “National Night Out” and Dolin requested adding a discussion about burning cars. There was no objection.

4. Reports:

A. Run Reports

Chief Roxbury advised that the PFRD’s computers were in the process of being replaced so he was unable to print out any reports. Nevertheless, he advised that they had 27 calls in the month of May including 10 medicals, a couple of storm related calls plus 2 traffic assists and other runs.

B. Department Update

Roxbury advised that the department has been fairly busy. The recent storms have kept them hopping with downed trees and powerlines. The firefighters are doing the last of its four training rotations where four group switched between the new foam rig, the new ladder rig, working on addressing issues and putting the building in final shape. The groups will be rotating for the next few weeks to give all the opportunity to get the necessary experience in each quadrant. He noted that they’re getting the building and department ready for the open house on Saturday, June 28th (more on that later in the meeting). He also advised that they’re finally getting cable into the building this Thursday.

5. Old Business

A. Address Sign Grant

Roxbury noted that he’s working with their grant writer to see if applying for a joint grant between the city and some of the townships to purchase and erect address signs where they don’t yet have them is a good idea. The grant writer as a fairly good sense of what grants have a chance of getting funded and which probably won’t. Roxbury advised that he’ll get back to the FAB membership once he finds out whether it’s worth pursuing.

B. Burning Cars

Dolin noted that there apparently is a property owner in Greenbush Township that is burning old wire and cars and asked what might be able to be done. Chief Roxbury advised that he was already aware of the problem and is working with the state to see what enforcement actions are available.

6. New Business

A. Public Safety Open House

Karnowski called attention to the copy of the flyer for the Public Safety Building Open House scheduled for Saturday, June 28 from 10 AM until 2 PM. The flyer indicated the various activities that will be featured during the celebration including a free hot dog lunch, a "bouncy house" for the kids, tours, the fire safety trailer, face painting, snow cones, popcorn, souvenirs for the kids and several demonstrations including K-9, Car Seat Safety, Child ID Info and Vehicle extrication. All the FAB members and their respective boards are encouraged to attend. The ribbon cutting will be at 10 AM.

B. National Night Out

Lundeen advised that Wyanett Township is having a national night out event on the first Tuesday in August. It will be a get together at the re-built township hall. She asked if the PFRD could bring the Safety House and some of the newer equipment. Roxbury advised he's sure the department can participate and he'll get back to Lundeen with what they will do.

C. North Ambulance Discussion

Roxbury advised the Board that it appears North Ambulance is no longer providing 24 hour service from their Princeton facility and is reduced the hours from noon to midnight (12 hour coverage). Coverage during the 'off hours' will come out of Milaca or Zimmerman. He said he's trying to determine what approach to take to address the change. He will keep the board posted.

7. Next Meeting(s) & Agenda

The Board was advised that the next FAB meeting will be Tuesday, July 1.

There being no further business:

DOLAN MOVED TO ADJOURN. STOECKEL SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:57 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Karnowski,
City Administrator