THE MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRINCETON FIRE ADVISORY
BOARD HELD AT 7:00 P.M., FEBRUARY 7, 2017, AT THE
WYANETT SUBSTATION BUILDING

1. Call to Order – Chair Whitcomb called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Wyanett Substation building.

Members present:  Staff Present:
Paul Whitcomb, Chair  Ron Lawrence  Chief, PFRD
Arvid Jenkins  Spencer Brook Twsp.
Steve Dolin  Greenbush Twsp.
Gene Stoeckel  Princeton Twsp.
Cathy Lundeen  Wyanett Twsp.

Staff Absent:
Mark Karnowski  City Administrator

Visitors
Ed Kidrowski  Wyanett Twsp.
Ken Murray  Wyanett Twsp.

2. Review/Consideration of January 3, 2017 Minutes

JENKINS MOVED TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 3, 2017 MINUTES AS PRESENTED. DOLIN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Agenda Additions/Deletions - None.

4. Reports:
   A. Run Reports

Chief Lawrence advised that there were 35 runs in January and handed out the run reports for each of the townships as well as the city.

   B. Department Update

Chief Lawrence apologized for not attending the January meeting but explained that he was on a previously arranged cruise vacation with his family. He introduced himself and advised that he has 23 years of service on the PFRD. He outlined his vision for the department which included:

- Hiring up to six (6) new firefighters to make up for recent and anticipated retirements and firefighters who have left the service for other reasons.
- Adding additional members to the PFRD Executive Board.
- Selling two fire trucks (on EBay) that have been replaced and taken out of service.
- Possibly adding the position of “Duty Officer” to the PFRD. Lawrence explained that the former fire chief (Roxbury) worked locally and was able to make 97% of the fire calls and that he didn’t work in the area so having a “Duty Officer” would assure that one officer would be responding to each fire run.
- Possibly purchasing a used Tahoe from the Princeton Police Department for use by the Duty Officer.
- Planning on developing a new website for the PFRD

Chief Lawrence asked if any of the FAB members had any thoughts or questions on the ideas he’d shared.

5. Old Business

Dolin asked if the generator at the Public Safety Building had been hooked up yet. The Chief advised that it was not, as yet.
Lundeen advised that the Joint Powers Board meeting was held prior to the FAB’s meeting that evening.

6. New Business – None

It was noted that the PFRD’s Annual meeting will be held at next month’s meeting (March 7) and that all township board members are encouraged to attend.

It was also noted that the PFRD will have a PFRD Officer at each of the Annual Township Meetings on March 14th.

The PFRD will be assisting the Foreston Fire Department this Friday and Saturday as the Foreston Department members will be attending the funeral of the wife of one of the Department members. She was killed in a car accident.

7. Next Meeting & Agenda

It was noted that next meeting will be on March 7th and will be back at the Princeton Public Safety Building.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business:

STOECKEL MOVED TO ADJOURN. JENKINS SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Lundeen, FAB Secretary