

Citizens Committee Meeting
September 2, 2015
Start at 6:30 pm.

Present: Glen Mathison, Kari Joas, Ben Joas, David Pavlik, Mike Kinney, Nancy Kinney, Scott Mathison and Denise Kempen

- **Glen Mathison** -unable to get a list of the equipment that the fire department currently has. He will work on that for the next meeting.
- **Dave Pavlik**- couldn't get current insurance policy but was able to get rates from State Farm, All State and American Family about homeowners insurance. They all said that there wouldn't be an impact on cost increasing because the rates are based on the distance from the fire station.
- **Denise Kempen** -Mutual Aid. There was discussion of having a certain number of firefighters state certified to be able to respond to mutual aid. Expect that there is someone that is qualified to do the job. Look into splitting current agreement because it was signed by both towns. No major amendment to Mutual Aid-just need a letter for it.
- Training-Can be in house or have a Fox Valley Tech instructor come in and pay for the instructor. State certification is done through the Tech-the town doesn't pay for Firefighter 1 and Firefighter 2 training.
- **Mike Kinney**- looked into doing a joint department with Dale. Fire Chief Jim Emmons said to go to the Dale Town Board meeting and mention something there. It is Sept. 14, 2015. There would be problems with radio frequency issues because it is in Outagamie County. What would have to be fixed to make it work?
- Winneconne would not be against Winchester joining them though they have a problem because Winchester has no crew cab. There is a Fire Commission/Fire Board meeting in Winneconne Sept. 14, 2015 that can go and talk about this at. For a crew cab there needs to be 4 men to go out.
- Both Dale and Winneconne are open to talking.
- There is already no crew cab already in Winchester-there is only one on the new truck but that is in Clayton.
- Dave Pavlik- who else to look at about joining up with? Major expense would be new gear for firefighters that don't have it yet.
- Scott Mathison- can grant money be transferred to other equipment?
- Signed letter from Boom Bay Fire Chief Dave Platta and Vinland to help out until Winchester can get its own Volunteer Fire Department.
- What does RW Management have to say?
- **Ben Joas**- Went over budget numbers for an annual budget. Rough draft for an all volunteer fire department with roughly about 20-25 people on it.
- It would be about \$1,000 more than Winchester is currently paying for fire protection.
- To Do List: Glen- equipment list; talk to Dale about joining with them.
- Dave Pavlik- insurance information and agents names
- Ben Joas- Talk to Winneconne to see about joining their fire district and equalization for each town as well.
- Meeting ended at 8:50 pm.
- Next meeting will be September 17, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

Recorded by Kari Joas