

**Minutes of the Sparta Fire Board Meeting
July 23, 2020
Sparta Fire Station**

Present: Bergman (twp-chair), Fisk (village), Anderson (twp), Cumings (village), Goodfellow (twp), & VanPatten (village)

Also, present: Chief Olney

Absent:

Bergman called the meeting to order @7:00 pm.

Additions to Agenda: None

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: Cumings to approve the agenda with additions.

Seconded: VanPatten

Motion Passed: 6-0

Public Comment: None

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion: Made by VanPatten to approve the June 18, 2020 minutes.

Seconded: Fisk

Motion Passed: 6-0

Approval of the bills:

Motion: Made by VanPatten to approve June-July 2020 bills.

Seconded: Fisk

Motion Passed: 6-0

Finance Board Update:

Anderson stated that the finance board meet twice since the last board meeting. The finance board approved all invoices presented including the invoice for SCBA Compressor fill station. The board reviewed the monthly statements and expenditure reports and the department is on track with their budget. They have also requested the balance sheet for the department for each finance meeting and board meeting. The current balance is above last years balance at the same time frames.

Old Business:

Mason Property: The latest appraisal of \$55,000 was presented to Patty Mason. Chief Olney meet with the Mason's and discussed the appraisal and let them know it was not fire department's offer to purchase the property. The board discussed many options, solutions and what the members thought the property was worth. It was the consensus of the board that this is a property that the department should attempt to purchase at reasonable price.

Motion: Made by VanPatten to have Bergman & Olney represent the fire department in the purchase of the Mason property, let the Mason's know the fire department has budgeted \$110,000 for the purchase of the property. Bergman & Olney in their negotiations with Mason's cannot exceed \$140,000 as a purchase price. The seller will be responsible for title insurance, closing costs, pro-rated property taxes and real estate taxes. No survey will be required.

Seconded: Fisk

Motion Passed: 6-0

Repairs to R6:

The Chief received 2 quotes for the repairs of Rescue #6 vehicle which damaged by a driving accident while fueling up the vehicle. The 2 quotes were from B&B and Spencer Manufacturing. The insurance adjuster reviewed the 2 quotes and asked the Chief which quote he'd prefer. Even though Spencer Manufacturing was the highest quote, it's same company that made the unit, they can do all the work in house. It's scheduled to be repaired the middle of August and out of service for 1-2 weeks. The Fire Department will be responsible for the \$1000 deductible.

Water Leak:

After last week's 2" of rain Olney noted that water was leaking into the building. Upon inspection on the roof, the roof drains were plugged. Once the roof drains were unplugged, the roof water completely drained. It also provided additional information as to the water coming up along the building footing. The drain was videoed and was determined to be plugged just outside the building before the main drain to the storm sewer. It appears that when the generator feed or the new power to the flag pole and sign had broken the roof drain just outside the building. Chief Olney will be working with the village to dig up the broken section and repair the drain.

Chief's Report: Chief Olney presented the Chief's report. (see attached). There were 468 calls YTD. The Chief stated there were 3 fires and 4 accidents last month.

The Audit was done remotely this year and there was no on site visits from the audit team. Dan Veldhuizen will be attending the Finance meeting on August 18th and present his findings and answer and questions the finance committee has. If need, he would attend the fire board meeting if the finance committee can't or doesn't get all the answers they might require.

The Chief has applied for the "First Responder Hazard Pay Premiums Program" and the "Public Safety and Public Health Payroll Reimbursement Program" grants which are funded by the federal CARES ACT.

The grants would pay for 2 months of fire fighter salaries, approximately \$22,000 and \$25,000 for hazard pay for each fire fighter.

Next Meeting Date: August 20th at 7:00 PM in the fire station.

Next Finance Meeting Dates: August 4th and 18th at 4:00 in the township office.

Public Comment: Cumings asked the Chief if he know of any companies that might have or is discharging chemicals in the village sewer system. The Chief stated he normally doesn't check or review those items. If he was to see anything he'd let the village know.

Motion: Made by Cumings to adjourn at 8:00 PM

Seconded: VanPatten

Motion Passed: 6-0

Minutes by Goodfellow 7/24/20

Agenda
Fire Board Meeting
July 23, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.
Fire Station
45 N State St. Sparta, MI 49345

1. Call to Order
 2. Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Roll Call
 4. Additions or corrections to the Agenda
 5. Approval of agenda
 6. Public Comment
 7. Approval of Minutes from, June 18, 2020
 8. Approval of the bills —
 9. Review of Finance Board and update
 10. Old Business
 - a. Mason Property
 - b. Repairs to R6
 - c. Water leak – update
 11. Chief's Report
 - a. monthly run report
 - b. Audit – Dan Veldhuizen will be at the Finance Committee meeting on Aug 18th
 - c. Michigan Township Association Grants
 12. Next Meeting Date: August 20, 2020 @ 7:00 PM
 13. Next Finance Committee Meeting Dates: August 4th and August 18th @ 4:00 pm
 14. Public Comment
 15. Adjournment
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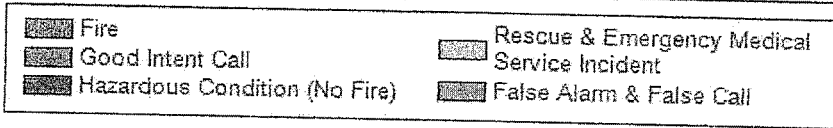
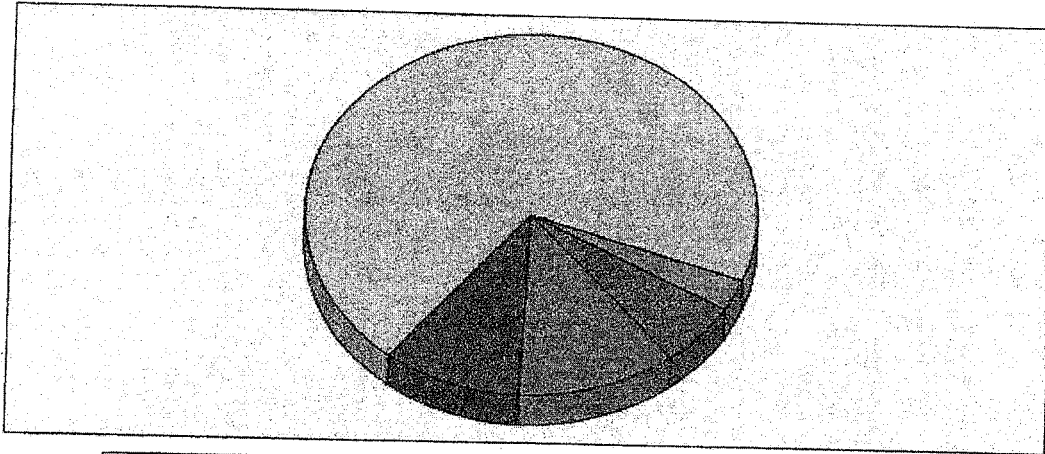
Sparta Fire Department

Sparta, MI



Major Incident Types by Month for Date Range

Start Date: 06/15/2020 | End Date: 07/19/2020



INCIDENT TYPE	JUN	JUL	TOTAL
False Alarm & False Call		2	2
Fire	2	2	4
Good Intent Call	5	3	8
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	5	2	7
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	27	22	49
Total	39	31	70

Total calls for 2020 as of 7-19-2020

468

Chiefs Report July 23, 2020

Old Business:

1. Audit – was done remotely this year due to the COVID-19 virus
2. Damage to Rescue #6 – insurance claim was filed, and they have requested an adjuster to come out and look at the damages
3. SCBA filling station was delivered and installed
4. Mason Property
5. Training – we completed several live fire trainings at a house on Fruit Ridge – the house was burned to the ground for the owner on July 12th

New Business:

1. Monthly report
 - a. Fire calls and alarms:
 1. 4600 Block of 16-mile – deck on fire
 2. 590 S State – grease fire
 3. Alpine and 12-mile – Brush Fire
 4. Applevue – Fire Alarm
 5. High School – Fire Alarm
 - b. Wires and hazardous condition calls:
 1. Morning View – smoke scare
 2. Glen Park – gas leak
 3. Wires down – M37 and 13-mile
 4. Wires down – Harper Drive
 5. Wires down – 12-mile and Edward
 6. CO Alarm – River Road
 7. Wires down – Ball Creek
 - c. Accidents:
 1. Long Lake and 14-mile (no injuries)
 2. Long Lake and 14-mile (minor injuries)
 3. 100 block of 15-mile (ATV accident)
 4. M37 and 13-mile (no injuries)
2. Payroll and Hazard Pay Grant
 - a. Applied for through the Michigan Township Association
 - i. Payroll for the months on April and May