

**ASTON TOWNSHIP  
FIRE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 8, 2012**

**PRESENT:**        *Commissioner Carol Graham, Chairman  
Richard D. Lehr, Twp Sec/Manager  
Thomas H. Morgan, Fire Marshal  
Jeff Kane, Aston Beechwood Fire Co.  
Mike Evans, Green Ridge Fire Co.  
Kit Spayd, Aston Beechwood Fire Co.  
Mike Lucy, Green Ridge Fire Co.  
Carol L. Thompson , Secretary*

*Commission Carol Graham called the November 8, 2012 Fire Committee to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. This meeting was held up-stairs in the Conference Room at the Aston Township Municipal Building.*

*Tom Morgan, Fire Marshal, Aston Township*

**RESOLUTION**

*The Fire Committee received a copy of a Resolution to be considered by the Board of Commission for adoption. The Resolution was discussed and Dick Lehr stated that the Aston Township Solicitor, Beth Naughton-Beck had some concerns. There may be additional wording added to include all activities.*

*There was also discussion with regard to having to report to the Township all service functions stated in #5. There was concerns with not be covered with insurance if this was not done. Also #9*

*in the Resolution was discussed to get further clarification.*

*Other Municipalities have adopted a Resolution similar to the one being proposed.*

*This Resolution will be further discussed with the Executive Committee along with the Township Solicitor.*

***DRY HYDRANTS:***

*Tom Morgan stated that there is a lot of silt in the Dry Hydrant located at Kings Mill. John Lloyd has told Jeff Kane that he has a contact with someone who has a Crane and they will help lift the stump of the tree that fell down in the area.*

***STREET ADDRESSES:***

*Tom Morgan informed the Committee that there has not been any progress made with the Post Office requesting addresses being changed. Mount Road Convent Road Aston Mills Road/Birney Hwy*

*Discussion was held to consider getting Pat Meehan involved with helping us.*

***WEIR ROAD / MOVE STOP LINE BACK 50 FEET***

*Tom Morgan informed the Committee that there was a study done with the Fire Company and the Aston Township Police Dept. and the Township Engineer to determine where the line should be at the Weir Road and Pennell Road intersection.*

*The request was for 50 feet back. The study has allow 25 feet.. Tom stated that this is not acceptable. Tom received a memo from George Needles III which stated that this would not change.*

*Tom has asked that the Fire Committee support his request to change plan.*

**APPARATUS TURN AROUND FOR JULIANNA WAY & NATALIE WAY AT ASTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

*Tom Morgan stated that the request for a 50 foot turn around at Julianna Way and Natalie Way near the Aston Presbyterian Church has not been completed.*

*Discussion included informing the Township Engineer, Joe Viscuso, of this request and making sure he included it in his letter informing the Builder.*

**RECENT INCIDENTS:**

*Scott Lane*

*There was a incident where an resident of Scott Lane was fixing His car and he dropped his gas tank to fix his car. The gas leaked onto The roadway and was washed down the street and went into the retention pond at Scott Lane. The Fire Company did flush the retention pond and the street and everything is OK.*

*Harrison Avenue*

*There was a house fire at Harrison Avenue. There was some smoke damage.*

**HURRICANE SANDY**

*Tom Morgan stated that all reported from Hurricane Sandy are being complied for the Township File.*

*Dick Lehr inquired about FEMA aid for the storm?? Tom stated that he spoke with Larry Bak from Delaware County Department of Emergency Services, and there was not enough damage of non insured properties to receive Aid in the Delaware County Area.*

*Tom stated that the pre-prep meeting notes were available from Sean Joyce and George Neeldes and very helpful.*

*The new phone numbers that were needed in the EOP file were obtained and Officer Jason Farrell was very helpful in obtaining this information. Tom stated that this information also gives us a head start with putting The new file together for the start of next year.*

#### ***DISCUSSION ABOUT INCIDENT THAT OCCURRED WITH COMPANY 72 DURING HURRICANE SANDY***

*Tom stated that what occurred with Company 72 during Hurricane Sandy can never happen again. Kit stated that she has her report to give to Fire Marshal. She didn't know if John Lloyd has his report. Jeff Kane apologized to the committee and inquired when Green Ridge will be having a meeting so he can attend and apologize to them. Mike Lucy stated that the meeting would be held November 19 at 8:00 pm.*

#### ***FIRE COMPANIES CONSOLIDATION***

*Tom Morgan reported that the Consolidation Meeting for the Fire Companies was held. A representative from the State was in attendance.....Bob Bradley.*

*He was very helpful with information he gave out along with answering several questions.*

*The Consolidation Committee is looking for a place to have their monthly meetings. They want to meet the third Thursday of The month. Carol Thompson stated that the third Thursday in November is booked down stairs, but they can meet up stairs. Carol stated that the third Thursday of the month is usually available.*

#### ***FIRE MARSHAL'S CAR***

*Dick stated that Tom Morgan will be getting a new Fire Marshal car from the Police Department. The car lights were dismantled, but new light will be installed.*

### ***PRESENTATION ON MAGNESIUS FIRES***

*Tom reported that 50 people attended a training session on Magnesium Fires. This presentation was October 17, 2012 and Olympic Tool owner was in attendance.*

### ***NEW CONSTRUCTION***

*Joe Grace Project/Pennell Road is back in for some requests*

*Concord Road Bridge should be completed in May*

*Church of Christ has not progressed to the next level*

### ***ASTON BEECHWOOD FIRE COMPANY REPORTS***

*Kit Spayd reported that the new Generator installed at The Fire House is up and working.*

*Aston Beechwood Fire Company will be having Santa coming around on the Fire Engine the December 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Weekend.*

*The Aston Township Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration will be on Friday, December 7, 2012.. Aston Beechwood will be bringing Santa to the Community Center. Kit stated that Green Ridge has also been invited and will be there.*

*Kit stated that the Consolidation Committee was very informative.*

*Aston Beechwood Fire Company will be holding a Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday, December 22, 2012.. She would like this Put on the TV and the Community Center Sign.*

*Jeff Kane from Aston Beechwood reported that the Calvary Church on Mount Road would like to be used as a shelter on Weekends. This was discussed and it was suggested to contact*

*Ralph Maiden at the Township Building.*

*Mike Evans from Green Ridge Fire Company reported that the Ladder Truck is back in service.*

*Mike Lucy from Green Ridge wanted to know if any progress is Being made with the increase to the Fire Tax?? Dick reported that The Commissioner do not want any tax increase to the Residents of Aston Township for this year.*

*The Committee discussed what would be necessary for each Company to keep going without the Tax increase. Mike would like to Meet with Commissioner Mark Osborn to discuss finances and the Tax Increase. Dick will inform George that this request was made.*

#### ***PIPE LINE INSTALLATION***

*Dick informed the Committee that Mike Baker from the Sunoco Pipe Line has contacted him with regard to the new installation of the pipe line along the Creek. They will be using Roberta Drive for the installation and will run along into the Chester Creek. A Meeting will be scheduled and Commissioner Carol Graham will be invited to attend . This project will affect delivery of mail and school bus traffic,*

#### ***TANK FARM ON CHERRY TREE ROAD***

*There is Jet Fuel being put into the tanks on Cherry Tree Road. A drill will be planned ..*

#### ***15 KENT ROAD***

*Tom informed the Committee that there is a company with Chemicals being used at 15 Kent Road. Ralph, Twp Code Officer is aware of what is going on.*

*Commissioner Carol Graham, Chairman of the Fire Committee thanked Everyone for all the do for the Township and hoped everyone would attend The Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration.*

*There being no further business of the Aston Fire Committee the Meeting was adjourned.*

*Respectfully Submitted:*

*Carol L. Thompson*