THE MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRINCETON FIRE ADVISORY BOARD HELD AT 7:00 P.M., June 2, 2020, AT THE PRINCETON PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

1. Call to Order, Roll Call.

Gerold called the meeting to order at 7:04 via a Zoom conference meeting.

<u>Members Present:</u> Dale Shelley (Greenbush Twsp.), Ken Murray (Wyanett Twsp.), Bill Whitcomb (Princeton Twsp.), Roger Nelson (Blue Hill Twsp.), Jim Beck (Greenbush Alternate), Lee Minks (Bogus Brook), and Arvid Jenkins (Spencer Brook Twsp), Jenny Gerold (Council)

Others Present: Tim Hennagir Union Times

<u>Staff Present:</u> Ron Lawrence Fire Chief, Josh Vaccari Asst. Chief, Troy Thompson Captain, Brian Mellgren Captain, Robert Barbian City Admin.

- **2. Review/Consideration of Minutes:** JENKINS MOVED, SHELLEY SECONDED APPROVAL OF THE May 5, 2020 MINUTES. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- **3. Agenda Additions/Deletions:** NELSON MOVED, JENKINS SECONDED APPROVAL OF AGENDA ADDING FIRE CONTRACTS UNDER OLD BUSINESS. MOTION CARRIED.
- **4. Run Reports:** Chief Lawrence reported 79 calls for the year, 25 ahead of last year. For the month 21 of 44 were medicals. Grass fires were up as well.
- **5. Grants:** Lawrence reported that the fire act grant applications were moved behind the COVID -19 special grants where distress is occurring in other parts of the state.
- **6 Old Business:** Nelson raised a concern about a resolution received by Northland Finance for financing Blue Hill's share of the annual truck payments when the service contract is in place that he believes covers it. Barbian was not certain it was or was not covered in the annual service agreement. Jenkins with Spencer Brook, in a similar situation had not reviewed as of the meeting. Barbian was to follow up.
- **7. New Business:** The Chief covered replacement options for the tender kept in Wyanett with a hole in the tank. The options being to get another tender or a combination tender and engine. The advantage to the latter being it will remove a future truck purchase. The engine that would move up is 31 years old. The initial conclusion lead to a search of available used suitable equipment with a cost estimate of \$150K and 225K. No direction offered.

The Chief was going to inspect the new engine next week.

Lawrence inquired about doing fire occupancy inspection in the Townships to see members thoughts. This was in connection with COVID-19 protocol and questions being generated. He was looking for authority to do in the townships. No conclusions reached.

- **9. Next Meeting & Agenda:** July 7, 2020 at Public Safety building for board members wishing to attend in person and via zoom for members who so choose and the public. 10 individuals allowed with social distancing practices in effect.
- 10. Adjourn: JENKINS MOVED, SECONDED BY NELSON TO ADJOURNED MEETING AT 7:34 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Robert Barbian City Administrator