

DAVISON RICHFIELD FIRE AUTHORITY
AUGUST 23, 2022, 6:00 PM
STATION 1

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00PM, by Chairperson J. Slezak

Pledge of Allegiance: led by J. Slezak

Members Present: J. Slezak (Chairperson), A. Schroeder (Vice chairperson),
J. Madore (Secretary/Treasurer), R. Emery, T. Webber,
D. Perry, Chief B. Flewelling

Absent: T. Green

Also Present: T. Vanhorn, M. Christopherson, V. Flewelling, E. Schroeder
J. McDougall

Approval of Agenda: Motion made by J. Madore to approve the agenda as presented.
Supported by A. Schroeder. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by R. Emery, supported by A. Schroeder to accept the
minutes of July 29, 2022. Motion carried.

Bills Presented for Payment: Moved by J. Madore, supported by D. Perry to approve
the bills as presented for payment totaling \$37,218.08.
Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Moved by A. Schroeder, second by J. Madore to approve the
Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Unfinished: None

New Business: Motion made by R. Emery to accept low bid from Hank Graff Chevrolet to
purchase Chevy Silverado at the cost of \$50,477.06. Second by D. Perry. Motion carried.

Personnel Committee: None

Chief's Report: 1. Fire run breakdown month to date:

- a. Davison City total runs 7/0 medical runs
- b. Davison Township total runs 32/2 medical runs
- c. Richfield Township total runs 9/2 medical runs
- d. Mutual Aid total runs 1
- e. 49 Total / 4 Medicals (9% Med vs. Total)

2. Chief discussed the previous week's pre-construction trip to Sutphen regarding the two replacement engines.

3. Chief discussed the status of the process for replacing night shift station 1 Lieutenant & the retirement of Tom Lawrence after 20 years of service.

Firefighter's Association Report: None

Auxiliary Report: Deadline for Firefighter's Ball is September 6, 2022. The event is September 17, 2022.

Other Business: Sec./Treas. Madore commented on the timeline of Davison City replacing the vacancy of the "at large" member due to a resignation. Mr. Madore stated that he has previously expressed concern that the requirement of filling a vacancy by the affected municipality's next regular meeting was untenable.

Sec/Treas. Madore submitted for the record on September 16, 2022: "For the record I want to state that the City of Davison was in violation of section II of the newly updated Fire Authority agreement that states: In the event of a vacancy on the Authority Board, the municipality represented by the vacancy shall appoint a replacement at the municipal member's next regular meeting. The vacancy took almost two months to fill. I think the process the city used is what you would expect and that is not the problem. The problem is the time-frame imposed by the new agreement. As I noted this Spring, the timeframe is not necessary and should be removed from the agreement."

Chairman Slezak stated that he had been in communication with the City Manager and that due to vacancies on both City Council and Fire Authority, with multiple people applying for both, the City Council vacancy had to be filled first in order to avoid further conflict with the Fire Authority Agreement. Mr. Slezak also expressed concern over the lack of a quorum at the regularly scheduled July Fire Authority meeting. Mr. Slezak also stated that the replacement clause may be looked at in future updates to the agreement.

Public comments: None

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at 6:00 PM, at Station 1.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM by Chairperson Jim Slezak.

Respectfully submitted by: J. McDougall on August 24, 2022.