

## TOWNSHIP OF MENDON

Minutes: Mendon Township Fire Board Meeting  
Date: May 6, 2025  
Time: 6:30 p.m.  
Place: Mendon Township Hall

Attending: Chief Avery, Treasurer Griffith, Clerk Cupp, Trustee Watson and Trustee Batten

Also in attendance were: Casey Oatley and Dune Batten, Assistant Fire Chief

**Absent:** Supervisor Kline

Clerk Cupp called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. asking for permission to amend the agenda to add Chief Avery's report.

The agenda was submitted for consideration. A motion was made by Griffith, supported by Watson to approve the agenda as amended by Clerk Cupp. Motion carried.

The minutes of the April 1, 2025 regular Mendon Township Fire Board meeting were submitted for consideration. A motion was made by Watson, supported by Griffith to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

### Floor Business:

- a. Chief Avery: The drop tanks are \$910.00 each, not \$110.00 each as it says in the minutes. Clerk Cupp: Okay, I will fix that.
- b. Pretty quiet month.

Clerk Cupp: We are going to discuss the shift of the Fire Department officers. I read the minutes of March 31, 1998 with the Fire Board accepting the resignations of the Fire Chief Bill Batten and Assistant Chief Gene Batten submitted their resignations of their duties on March 31, 1998 but will continue as firemen. A motion was then made and supported by the Fire Board to accept their resignations. After these resignations, a motion was made by Griffith, supported by Pangle to appoint G. Alan Avery as the Fire Chief for the Mendon Fire Department for an unspecified amount of time. Motion carried. In saying all of that, the current Chief and Assistant Chief need to resign from their positions. Then it is up to the Fire board to make a motion to appoint a new Fire Chief. After that, it is the new Fire Chief's responsibility to appoint his officers. Clerk Cupp presented a resignation paper and asked that if both Hoss Avery and Dune Batten in fact want to resign from their positions as the fire chief and assistant chief, she will need them to sign the form.

Both persons signed as recognition of their resignations. A motion was made by Griffith, supported by Watson to accept the resignations. Motion carried.

Avery made a recommendation to have Casey Oatley become the new Mendon Township Fire Chief. A motion was made by Griffith, supported by Watson and Batten. Motion carried.

Clerk Cupp explained that this will be brought to the Mendon Township Board tonight for their approval.

Clerk Cupp asked Oatley to provide a new list of the officers. Oatley said that Supervisor Kline needs to write a letter to the State Fire Marshall regarding the change of the Fire Chief. Clerk Cupp said she would take care of that. Watson: Do you have the badges guys. Oatley, yes. Chief: Fire hoses were ordered through Moses.

Clerk Cupp suggested revisiting the stipends paid to the Fire Department officers.

Avery: You need to get a hold of the Insurance guy to make all the changes. Clerk Cupp: He will be in attendance at our Township meeting this evening. He will be updated on the changes.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Clerk Cupp: Casey, do you have a nickname 😊

The treasurer's report was submitted for approval. A motion was made by Cupp, supported by Batten to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

April bills were submitted for consideration and approval for payment. A motion was made by Batten, supported by Watson to approve the bills. Motion carried.

### **Good of the Order:**

Clerk Cupp: Want to thank you again for your service. Happy to hear you and Dune are sticking around on the department.

A motion was made by Griffith, supported by Batten to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Cupp