

**SAUBLE-ELK-EDEN FIRE BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING (APPROVED)**

**DATE/TIME: February 18, 2025, 6:30 pm**

**LOCATION: Sauble-Elk-Eden Fire Department (8711 8 Mile RD, Irons, MI 49644)**

**Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM, by Chairperson Gary Nugent**

**ROLL CALL:**    Present: Jack Hankiewicz, Sharon Puff, Lou Fitz, Jerry Kraai, Christine Oetman, Gary Oetman, Jeff Mather, Joyce Durdell, Crystal Van Sickle, Bob Woolever, Jack Puff, Cody Oetman, Gary Nugent, Ginni Braddy  
                         Absent (excused): Mary Ann Nugent, Tom Snow, Joel Boyer, Josh Hasbrouck

**MINUTES:**

1. Motion made by Lou Fitz to approve the SEEDF Regular Board meeting minutes from January 21, 2025, as printed. The motion was supported by Bob Woolever. The motion was carried by majority voice vote, 8-Yes, 0-No

**AGENDA REVISIONS:**

2. None

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Crystal Van Sickle

1. Reconciliation summary of operating checking account for the period ending 1/31/2025. Beginning balance: \$236,420.49. Cleared balance: \$257,095.00. Additional items after closing date: \$2,643.16. Ending balance: \$254,451.84.
2. Reconciliation summary for capital equipment checking for the period ending 1/31/2025. Beginning balance: \$223,430.10. Cleared balance: \$258,228.80. Total cleared transactions: \$34,798.70. Ending balance: \$258,228.80.
3. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual report for April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025, was handed out. No issues were noted.
4. Payroll check of \$909.64 was not cashed. Lou Fitz made a motion to authorize the Treasurer to stop payment on Ginnie Braddy's payroll check of \$909.64. SEEDF to pay for bank stop-payment charge of \$35.00. The motion was supported by Jerry Kraai. The motion carried by roll-call vote: 8-Yes, 0-No. Gary Oetman – Yes, Christine Oetman – Yes, Jerry Kraai – Yes, Lou Fitz – Yes, Sharon Puff – Yes, Jack Hankiewicz – Yes, Gary Nugent – Yes, Bob Woolever – Yes.
5. Blarney Castle is changing their credit card procedures. They will no longer except "Rewards" cards. New cards are being issued.

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT:** Ginnie Braddy

1. The formal Fire Chief Report is on file in the Clerk's office and Fire Chief's Office.
2. Review of runs and nature of calls.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Board to Determine proper budget line item for the purchase of turn-out gear and helmet.
  - a. Discussion on topic. No resolution. Lou Fitz made a motion to postpone action on this item until the March Board meeting. Jerry Kraai supported the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote 8-Yes, 0-No.
2. Debit card resolution adoption. The SEEDD Clerk read the resolution #2025-01. The resolution was offered by Lou Fitz and supported by Jack Hankiewicz. The resolution was adopted unanimous roll vote 8–Yes, 0–No: Gary Nugent – Yes, Bob Woolever – Yes, Jack Hankiewicz – Yes, Sharon Puff – Yes, Christine Oetman - Yes, Lou Fitz – Yes, Jerry Kraai – Yes, Gary Oetman – Yes. The resolution was signed by the SEEDD Chairman and Clerk.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. 2025-2026 Proposed Budget. Lou Fitz reviewed the operating income, capital equipment income, budget summary, and fund balance. Discussion/review/explanation/adjustment of line-item expenses in the proposed budget. Page #1, line #8 (503-2) capital equipment to increase to \$3000 for AED batteries. Line #12 (404-2) radios and pagers to increase to \$3000 for purchase of new pagers. Page #2, line #57 to increase to \$3000 for officer development classes.
2. Lou Fitz thanked Joyce Durdell for assistance with the preparation of the proposed budget.
3. March board meeting will be held on March 27, 2025.
4. New business agenda item for March: Election of SEEDD Board Officers.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

1. Motion by Jerry Kraai, supported by Jack Hankiewicz, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by majority voice vote, 8-Yes, 0-No. The meeting adjourned at 7:14pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Mather, S.E.E. Fire Board Clerk,  
February 28, 2025