

KINGSVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

January 20, 2010 - 6:00 pm – FIRE HALL

The Trustees held an informal work session on January 20th, to discuss the renovations to the fire hall that they would like to do. They also discussed some concerns that the Fire Chief has with the commitment of the members of the Fire and EMS Departments.

The meeting called to order by Mr. Ensmen at 6:00 pm. All formalities were suspended. Those present at the start were Mr. Ensmen, Mr. Huey, Chief Stewart, and the Fiscal Officer. Mr. Reed will be late in attendance due to work obligations. The discussion went straight into talk of the renovations.

Neal presented some very nice drawing prints of what could be possible with the fire hall and the property next door. His son volunteered the time to do these drawings and the Trustees were very pleased and grateful for his assistance. These multiple drawings allowed those present to write on them and get a very clear idea of what can be done.

Neal asked the Fiscal Officer for figures of what the Fire Levy should bring in. She will have it for him at the next meeting.

After discussions on the renovation ended, the discussion moved into Fire and EMS items. Neal announced that Michelle S. passed her State Boards and is now a licensed Paramedic. Neal brought up his great concern over the attendance issues amongst the members of the department. Many are not making half (if any) of the Meetings, work nights, and trainings each month. He has discussed this at great length with other Chiefs in the county and tried to get an idea of how they handle such things. He would like to institute some sort of points system suggested by the other chiefs. Based on attendance, they would receive the incentive pay or not. There has to be a standard set and strictly enforced.

Dennis suggested that, after discussions are held with other departments, a decision needs to be made. In the meanwhile, the Trustees charged Chief Stewart with the responsibility of holding another meeting with them. He has to make it very clear who is in charge/the Chain of Command and is to remind them of the words on the papers they signed when they joined the department. He is to enforce the discipline outlined if they do not adhere to the rules WITH the COMPLETE backing of the Trustees.

There is a serious problem with the mutual aid agreement between KFD and the N. Kingsville FD. Dennis and Chief Stewart will get with those in charge over there and try and iron out these issues.

With no further business to address, Mr. Huey moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Reed; all yes.

Doug Reed, Chairman

Deborah Ball, Fiscal Officer