

**ELSIE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

140 W Maple St

Elsie, MI 48831

**ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR January 8, 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Frink, Grinnell, Maynard, Zemla, Baese, Green

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Wooley

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:** Chief Ormes

**GUEST:** Amy Bowen

Called to order by Green @ 18:06

Baese moved, Zemla seconded to approve the minutes from the December 2019 meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Frink moved, Baese seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for January 8, 2020 MOTION CARRIED.

Zemla moved, Baese seconded to Approve the Bills presented to Check #2998 MOTION CARRIED.

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

No new business presented

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The board has set the next workshop date for January 29, 2020 at 6:00pm. Chief Ormes and Grinnell will have budget numbers ready for the 2020/2021 year. Discussion was the board would like to get the operating cost of the department and then come up with a figure for addition to the capital improvement account.

**RESCUE DIVISION AST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, 11 rescue calls for the month of December, 183 for the year.

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Chief Ormes report 4 fire calls for the month of December, and 78 for the year.

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Board Member Rick Zemla wanted to pass on his thanks to the fire department membership, on their service to the community, all other board members agreed.

Frink moved, Zemla seconded to Adjourn @ 18:39. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

## **ELSIE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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### **ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR February 12<sup>th</sup> 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Frink, Grinnell, Maynard, Baese

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Wooley, Green, Zemla

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:** Chief Ormes

**GUEST:** Amy Bowen

Called to order by Green @ 18:15

Frink moved, Maynard seconded to approve the minutes from the January 2020 meeting as presented.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Frink moved, Maynard seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for February 12th, 2020  
MOTION CARRIED.

Frink moved, Maynard seconded to Approve the Bills presented to Check #3009 MOTION CARRIED.

#### **GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

2020- 2021 Budget was presented. The 2019-2020 General operating budget was \$118,960.80 and it worked well. It was suggested by Chief Grinnell to keep the operating budget the same for the 2020/21 budget year, however do an increase to the townships to put money away into the major equipment fund. The current budget does not allow any money to go into the major equipment fund. The proposed increase would be as follows: Duplain \$6,521.88, Fairfield \$2,083.80, Chapin \$1,076.40 for a total increase of \$9,682.08. This increase would go into the Major Equipment fund that currently has \$75,195.00 in it. Grinnell asked to board members to go back to their boards to see if this is a workable number.

Amy Bowen Journey FCU's Financial education & Community Outreach specialist was at the meeting. Grinnell advised that he is the treasurer for the Village of Elsie and the Village is in the process of changing from Hunting bank to JFCU. Bowen talked about the process and the benefits of moving the accounts from Hunting bank, to JFCU. This would also make it easy for Grinnell to do banking with one bank VS two different banks with the fire dept and village accounts. Check signers shall be Shane Grinnell, Tom Frink & Craig Green. Frink moved, Maynard seconded to approve the Grinnell to change the fire department General account and Major equipment savings account from Hunting bank to JFCU as soon as possible.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Chiefs Grinnell & Ormes brought up that Clinton Co. Chiefs association is starting a MABAS (Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System) We currently are a member in Shiawassee County however that program has stalled out and does not look like its going to start again for the next year to two years. Chief Ormes would like the permission to have Chief Grinnell sign the Clinton Co. agreement and terminate the Shiawassee County agreement if necessary. Frink moved, Maynard seconded to approve Grinnell to signed the documentation for Clinton and Shiawassee county MABAS agreements MOTION CARRIED.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The board has set the next workshop date for February 26<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 6:00pm

**RESCUE DIVISION AST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, it was a busy month, 26 rescue calls for the month of January.

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Chief Ormes report 5 fire calls for the month of January.

Chief Ormes stated that the porta tank lift is making some bad noises when using it. The department has got a price on a new motor for the lift. It takes two motors at 679.00 each. Chief Ormes and Grinnell thought they could install the motors in house, and if needed they want permission to call the Service tech in to help. Frink moved; Maynard seconded to approve this request. MOTION CARRIED.

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Frink moved, Zemla seconded to Adjourn @ 18:49. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

## **ELSIE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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### **ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR March 11<sup>th</sup> 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Frink, Grinnell, Green, Baese

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Wooley, Green, Zemla, Chief Ormes ( all excused)

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:** Firefighter Goldman

**GUEST:** none

Called to order by Green @ 18:04

Baese moved, Frink seconded to approve the minutes from the February 2020 meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Baese moved, Frink seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for March 11th 2020 MOTION CARRIED.

Baese moved, Frink seconded to Approve the Bills presented to Check #3018 MOTION CARRIED.

#### **GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

2019-2020 Budget was presented to be amended. Baese moved, Frink seconded to amend the 2019-2020 budget MOTION CARRIED

2020- 2021 Budget was presented. The 2019-2020 General operating budget was \$118,960.80 and it worked well. It was suggested by Asst Chief Grinnell to keep the operating budget the same for the 2020/21 budget year, however do an increase to the townships to put money away into the major equipment fund. The proposed increase would be as follows: Duplain \$6,521.88, Fairfield \$2,083.80, Chapin \$1,076.40 for a total increase of \$9,682.08. This increase would go into the Major Equipment fund that currently has \$75,195.00 in it.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The board has set the next workshop date is unknown. Asst Chief Grinnell advised the board that Ashley Fire is moving in the direction of an authority, and has an attorney that is helping them. Grinnell will contact them to see if we can get a rep from Ashley and or the attorney at our next workshop meeting. Grinnell will contact them and find a date that works for the, and then will pass it on to the rest of the board.

**RESCUE DIVISION ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, it was a busy month, 22 rescue calls for the month of February  
Fire calls were 5 for the month. 2 in Duplain, 3 Mutual aid to Ashley, Ovid and Laingsburg.

Asst Chief Grinnell Requested now that we are at the end of the budget and have some money left over, he is seeking approval to purchase two tool boxes to mount on the side /top of Rescue 1. These boxes will make more room for tools, and create space for air packs that need to be placed on Rescue 1. Baese moved, Frink seconded to purchase 2 tools boxes at a total price of \$2,447.90

Asst Chief also advised that we have the option to purchase 20 radios from Saginaw County, at a price of 50.00 each. These radios are currently programed for Saginaw County and Shiawassee County fire and EMS. The department could use these now, and then when Clinton county goes to the state 800 system these radios also could be used for Clinton county use. The time frame is pending on when Saginaw county receives their new radios. Baese moved, Frink seconded to move forward with these radios.

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Absent

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Frink moved, Zemla seconded to Adjourn @ 18:32. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

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**ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR April 4<sup>th</sup> 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** none

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** ( all excused DUE TO COVID 19

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:**

**GUEST:**

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RESCUE DIVISION ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Absent

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Frink moved, Zemla seconded to Adjourn @ 18:32. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

**ELSIE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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**ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR May 20<sup>th</sup> 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT (via phone) Grinnell, Green, Baese, Wooley, Zemla, Green, Maynard**

**MEMBERS ABSENT: Frink**

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS: none**

**GUEST: none**

Called to order by Green @ 18:04M meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Baese moved, Maynard seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for March 11th 2020  
MOTION CARRIED.

Baese moved, Baese seconded to Approve the Bills (April and May 2020) presented to Check #3027  
MOTION CARRIED.

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

No new business

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The board has decided to table setting the next workshop date until the June meeting. This is due to the Covid 19 restrictions.

**RESCUE DIVISION ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, call volume is down. Supplies have been good with the help of all three of our medical controls. Crews are required to wear their Nomex wild land gear to calls, to help keep a barrier from the patient and the medical providers clothing. Also, N-95 mask and eye protection is also required until further notice.

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Reported the monthly calls for the fire division. No issues noted. Training and meeting has been canceled for the fire department due to covid. Chief Ormes plans on restarting training and meetings June 7th 2020

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Wooley moved, Zemla seconded to Adjourn @ 18:22. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

**ELSIE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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**ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR June 10th 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Grinnell, Green, Baese, Zemla, Green, Maynard, Frink

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Wooley

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:** none

**GUEST:** none

Called to order by Green @ 18:04PM meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Frink moved, Baese seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for June 2020 MOTION CARRIED.

Frink moved, Baese seconded to Approve the Bills (June 2020) presented to Check #3031 MOTION CARRIED.

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Grinnell will be preparing for the 2020 Audit. The Audit will occur in August of 2020. Drakes accounting group, same company as the last audit.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The board has decided to table setting the next workshop date. Ast Chief Grinnell will try and make contact with Ashley Fire and who they are using to look into their transition, and will advise the board his findings.

**RESCUE DIVISION ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, call volume has picked back up. Supplies have been good.

Crews are still required to wear their Nomex wild land gear to calls, to help keep a barrier from the patient and the medical providers clothing. Also, N-95 mask and eye protection is also required until further notice.

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Reported the monthly calls for the fire division. No issues noted. Training and meeting has started back up as of June 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Frink moved, Zemla seconded to Adjourn @ 18:26 MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary



**ELSIE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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**ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR July 8th 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Grinnell, Green, Baese, Zemla, Green, Maynard, Frink, Wooley

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:** none

**GUEST:** none

Called to order by Green @ 18:02PM meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Zemla moved, Wooley seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for July 2020 MOTION CARRIED.

Zemla moved, Frink seconded to Approve the Bills presented to Check #3035 MOTION CARRIED.

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

none

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The board has decided to table setting the next workshop date. Ast Chief Grinnell made contact with Ashley Fire and who they are using to look into their transition, and everything at this time is zoom meetings, they are not making in person meetings at this point, due to COVID 19

**RESCUE DIVISION ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, call volume has picked back up. Supplies have been good.

Crews are now NOT required to wear their Nomex wild land gear to non COVID 19 calls, N-95 mask and eye protection is required.

Light Parade is this Friday night. At dusk

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Reported the monthly calls for the fire division. No issues noted.

The Fire Dept did a Firework display stand by on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Received a nice letter from the family thanking the fire department for their help. The letter was placed in the board packets

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

The board asked how staffing is for the department. The Chiefs advised they can always use more people. We have 1 member finishing up in the current fire academy now, and will be completed in September. There are currently have 7 members waiting for the next fire academy. (Jan 2021) Also Ast Chief Grinnell, is working on getting set up or finding a MFR or EMT class so we can add to the rescue roster. However, in general staffing is good, and those that are on the department are very active and dedicated to the department.

Frink moved, Zemla seconded to Adjourn @ 18:15 MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

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**ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR August 12<sup>th</sup> 2020**  
**MEMBERS PRESENT** Grinnell, Zemla, Green, Maynard, Frink, Wooley  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:**  
**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:** none  
**GUEST:** none

Called to order by Green @ 18:02PM meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Zemla moved, Wooley seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for August 2020 MOTION CARRIED.

Zemla moved, Frink seconded to Approve the Bills presented to Check #2900 MOTION CARRIED.

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chief Ormes presented the board the idea of building a “call office” in the fire station. He would like to move the air filling to the new part of the building, then build a 14 x 6-foot office in that area. This area would be used for typing reports, talking 1 on 1 with staff etc. The current office would be then turned into a training room/classroom.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The board has decided to table setting the next workshop date. Ast Chief Grinnell made contact with Ashley Fire and who they are using to look into their transition, and everything at this time is zoom meetings, they are not making in person meetings at this point, due to COVID 19

**RESCUE DIVISION ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, call volume has picked back up. Supplies have been good.

Crews are now NOT required to wear their Nomex wild land gear to non COVID 19 calls, N-95 mask and eye protection is required.

3 firefighters signed up for the fall MMR MFR class. MMR will be only charging the dept cost of books, they are waiving the fee for the class. Saving us about 1,000 per person.

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Reported the monthly calls for the fire division. No issues noted.

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Frink moved, Zemla seconded to Adjourn @ 18:15 MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

## **ELSIE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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### **ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR October 14<sup>th</sup> 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Grinnell, Baese, Green, Maynard, Frink, Wooley

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Zemla

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:** none

**GUEST:** none

Called to order by Green @ 18:07PM meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Frink moved, Baese seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for October 2020 MOTION CARRIED.

Zemla moved, Baese seconded to Approve the Bills presented to Check #3070 MOTION CARRIED.

### **GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Assistant Chief Grinnell, advised that the fire dept did receive the funds for the Farm grant ( \$2500) The plan is to use it to purchase harness for the grain rescue equipment. A special thanks to Green Farms. A press release will be issued for local papers and per the grant agreement.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The new “command center” / call room is finished. All the firefighters are pleased with the outcome. The room has been used, and everyone feels it is better utilizing the space. All labor was preformed by firefighters.

The board has decided to table setting the next workshop date. Ast Chief Grinnell made contact with Ashley Fire and who they are using to look into their transition, and everything at this time is zoom meetings, they are not making in person meetings at this point, due to COVID 19

### **RESCUE DIVISION / ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, call volume has picked back up. Supplies have been good.

3 firefighters signed up for the fall MMR MFR class. MMR will be only charging the dept cost of books, they are waiving the fee for the class. Saving us about 1,000 per person.

Elsie rescue had a “save” in a allergic reaction call on main st in Elsie. The medication they carry for Saginaw county, was used here in Clinton county and it saved a life. Assistant Chief Grinnell has been asked to help setting up that Clinton, Ingham and Eaton co. will also be using the same medication.

Clinton area ambulance service normally covers cross county meets at uncle john’s cider mill, however last week they were short on staffing and asked if Elsie rescue could come over and help. We sent 1 EMT and a rescue truck over to stand by at the event, free of charge. At this time, we also still had a rescue truck and crew in Elsie to take calls if calls came in.

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Gave monthly call report

Hosting a class for Landing Zone class for area departments. Life Flight will be teaching the class.

Saginaw county 800 radios are installed. We are awaiting the install bill. We also had to install new antennas for the units, but these will work for when we transfer over to the new system.

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Frink moved; Maynard seconded to Adjourn @ 18:30 MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

**ELSIE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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**ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR November 11th 2020**  
**MEMBERS PRESENT** Grinnell, Green, Maynard, Frink, Wooley, Zemla, Ormes  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Baese ( late)  
**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:** none  
**GUEST:** none

Called to order by Green @ 18:05PM meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Frink moved, Baese seconded to approve the Treasurers Report as presented for November 2020 MOTION CARRIED.

Zemla moved, Baese seconded to Approve the Bills presented to Check #2976 MOTION CARRIED.

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Assistant Chief Grinnell, advised that the fire dept did receive the 2020 Audit. It was a clean audit with no issues. Each member was gave an audit packet prepared by the Auditors for their records.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The board has decided to table setting the next workshop date. Ast Chief Grinnell made contact with Ashley Fire and who they are using to look into their transition, and everything at this time is zoom meetings, they are not making in person meetings at this point, due to COVID 19

**RESCUE DIVISION / ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

Going well, call volume has picked back up. Supplies have been good.

Assistant Chief Grinnell was appointed by the medical control director for Saginaw-Tuscola County Medical control to serve as represented to sit on the PSRO committee. Grinnell is also serves on the Tri County PSRO committee.

The "Epi" call has opened some eyes, and it is being reviewed at the local and state levels to give the option all medical first response units to carry the medications on their trucks.

Grinnell also gave the board members the Nov 2019-Nov 2020 rescue call data.. Elsie rescue has a average response time of 8.70 minutes to time of call to on scene. The state average is 15 min. at the time of the report Rescue 1 responded to 9.4 % of all the calls, and rescue 2 responded to 90.57 of all the medical calls. Rescue 1 is used as a back up rescue or a 2<sup>nd</sup> rescue if two calls happen at once. At the time of the report there was call in the following area:

Clinton County/(Duplain) 152 calls ( 71.70%)  
Shiawassee county (Fairfield) 44 calls (20.75%)  
Saginaw County ( Chapin) 14 calls (6.60%)  
Gratiot County (Mutual aid) 2 calls 0.94%  
Total Rescue calls 212

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Gave monthly call report

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Chief Ormes and Grinnell asked permission to submit a vehicle request to the DNR for a updated brush truck. It was requested it be at least a 1-ton truck. This truck would replace the current 1985 brush unit. The department would turn the 1985 brush truck back into the state as required by the state DNR agreement. There is not a lot wrong with the current truck other than some electrical issues but the chiefs would like to start looking for a replacement because we have the time, rather than something bad happen to the current truck and be rushing around to find a replacement. The DNR program gives the trucks to the dept, this could be a 1-week long request or several years, but they would like to get the permission from the board to start looking. The only cost would be possible painting, lettering and lighting. The other items such as pumps can be transferred from the old truck Zmela moved, Frink seconded the request, MOTION CARRIED

Frink moved; Maynard seconded to Adjourn @ 18:30 MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary

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**ELSIE AREA FIRE ASSO. BOARD MINUTES FOR December 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** none

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** ( all excused DUE TO COVID 19

**FIRE DEPT MEMBERS:**

**GUEST:**

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RESCUE DIVISION ASST. CHIEF GRINNELL**

**FIRE DIVISION CHIEF ORMES**

Absent

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Respectfully Submitted by,

Shane E. Grinnell, EAFA Treasurer/Secretary