

Lanesboro City Council

Special Meeting with the Rural Board

Monday, February 13, 2016 7:00p.m.

Community Room in the Lanesboro Community Center

Members Present: Marge Drake, Jason Resseman, Autumn Johnson, and Tom Smith

Members Absent: Bridget Harvey

Visitors: Jerod Wagner, Creighton Horihan, Deane Benson, Michael and Char Brown

The joint meeting was called to order by Rural Board President Phil Abrahamson at 7:02 p.m. Mayor Johnson noted the details for the Ambulance on the presentation that was handed out. No further discussion was had regarding the Ambulance.

Administrator Peterson then noted the details for the fire department on the presentation. Chief Wagner noted that there were several more call during 2016 than normal. There were also several more river rescues than in the past. Wagner also noted the 2000 truck that was purchased for \$150,000 from the City of Chatfield, as well as the repairs that were needed for it.

Discussion was then had regarding population figures; Administrator Peterson noted the MN State Demographer website had been used to determine these figures. The proposed per capita rate for fire services for 2018 and 2019 is \$43.20.

Further discussion was had regarding fund balances for the department, why a used truck was purchased, whether staffing is sufficient, as well as retirements were noted. Director Benson noted that the Ambulance does struggle with staffing; he felt this had much to do with training requirements. However Benson stated they do have one new person training as an EMT, and one training as a First Responder currently.

A motion was made and seconded by the Rural Board to approve the per capita amount of \$43.20 as proposed by the City of Lanesboro. Motion carried all in favor.

The Rural Board then completed their annual meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Peterson
City Administrator/Clerk