

Joint Meeting
City of Galesburg Council
Charleston Township Board
April 7, 2008

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Roll was called and members present were: Bell, Schug, Hiestand and Samson. Kramer arrived at 7:30.

BUSINESS:

Garry Henson explained the need for turnout gear in the Capital Outlay portion of the Fire Board Budget. Fran explained how Charleston handles the draft Fire Board budget and the 9-1-1 phone expenses with the county. Debbie Miner, the City of Galesburg Clerk, asked for detail and clarification in the Fire Board budget and notification of application for grants in order to make planning easier for the City.

The City of Galesburg voted to move up the Kalamazoo Police and Fire Training Tower Presentation by Marty Myers. Marty explained the various components of the facility and how the Joint Fire Department would be able to take advantage of the components. He noted the support from the community including banks and restaurants and mentioned the brick campaign. The Galesburg City Council voted to go forward with the training facility for a fee of \$1250 per year.

The Council and the Board also discussed the Joint Fire Board agreement, specifically page 6, paragraph 2, the requirement that both municipalities must approve any expenditure in excess of \$5000. A problem arises when grants are applied for and the matching amount exceeds the limits of the agreement. After some discussion and input from Attorney Soltis, the matter was resolved.

The Galesburg City Clerk requested that for recordkeeping purposes, Charleston's contribution for the Fire Training Tower be the same as Galesburg's (\$1250 per year).

Business being concluded, the Charleston Township Board left the Council meeting at 8:45.

Linda Kramer, Clerk