

April 16, 2020

Present: David Antonsen, Daryl Haarstick, Joe Gerold, Hans Hanson and Mike Kratzke.

Guests: Jeff Zitzow

Chairman David Antonsen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Jeff Zitzow shared on how the CDH-Vergas Fire and Rescue is fully operational, but have had to change some policies, such as on a EMS call only one goes in and sees what is needed and accesses who needs to be exposed.

The Coronis virus has put some financial strains on the department, some areas are, Masks, although as of the meeting they are in good position.

They have ordered a nozzle that they will be able to disinfect Rescue 1 when it comes back from a run and other areas as needed.

He also reported that responders are now covered under workman's comp for covid-19.

Perham EMS has requested that Rescue 1 be available to haul non-covid-19 patients if needed, they are waiting for final approval, CDH-Vergas Fire and Rescue will provide drivers.

Also the fire department has been using the fire engine to help celebrate little kids birthdays with a drive by.

Relief Association funds have taken a hit in the stock market, losing 13%. Depending on what happens between now and the end of the year, the township may have to add to the fund to bring it back up.

Rescue 3 and warming trailer are being looked at for replacement, an offer for Perham's fire engine has been made, waiting to hear back from the City of Perham.

Jeff wanted to keep everyone informed to what has been happening, also the meeting area will be off limits for the foreseeable future, so the May meeting will be held at 29375 430th St, Vergas, MN 56587.

Mike Kratzke, Clerk

David Antonsen, Chairman
