

DAYTON – LYMAN FIRE DEPT. ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes for Meeting April 21st , 2009

The committee met at the Dayton Town Hall at 6:45 p.m.

Present: Dayton- Trask, Roberts, Brown, Porier, Porier, Guay
Lyman – Hutchins, Sutton, Fecteau, Stewart, Ruel
FD – Carpenter, Lord, Hooper, Johnston
Lawyers – Dale, Ordway

George Sutton gave an overview of how this committee was created, where we are trying to get and where we are at. At this point the floor was opened to the town attorney's to speak on the pros and cons of becoming a Fire District vs. a municipal Fire Department. Mr. Dale was gave several reasons why he thought it was a bad idea to follow the Fire District statue, 1 being that no one in state has gone this route yet and he felt that we would be opening the door to have a board setting cost structures that town may or may not be able to control. Rod Hooper spoke about using a local ordinance to control these fears, but Mr Dale countered stating that you cannot write an ordinance to restrict a state statue. Light discussion was held on how we could accomplish the same goals by use of contractual agreements that would allow both towns to keep a stake in the Fire Department while continuing to share the costs, no necessarily at the current 50/50 split. The meeting was recessed at 2015 and the attorney's were excused.

At 2030, the meeting reconvened and George Sutton gave the committee instructions to process the findings from tonight's meeting and we will discuss it further on May 12th @ 18:30 at the Lyman Town Hall.

Respectfully,

Chad Johnston