Grant Committee Meeting of Sept. 25, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

Present: Doris French, Wanda Freeman, Tom York, Darla Rippee, Linda Kellogg

Tom updated us on the restroom.

Wanda talked to Depak, he said we should call MDOT about the caution light. He said it would be best to have a meeting at the corner with MDOT, the fire chief and the board to show and explain the need for the light. Wanda read a letter that Robin had given her about the need for the light. The estimated cost is \$5,000 per lighted blinker. A suggestion was made to use solar power to reduce the cost. Also the township would have to install it. We discussed having the fire department research how much time it takes to get onto M-20 over the next three months.

Wanda and Darla researched possible grant organizations for the air bottles. They include firegrantshelp.com, firerescue.com/fire.grants. Also brought up was AGACbuy.com. We can check with the library to see if there is a reference book for firefighter grant writing. Darla got some information but it looks like we will have to pay to get their lists. Also suggested were Par Plan, Dow Corning, Wolverine and Bank of America.

We discussed the draft letter that Doris typed for grants. We are going to separate the parts so organizations can just give money for a portion of the total grant request also.

The next meeting is Oct. 23, 2012.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris French Secretary