



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Of The Wentzville Fire Protection District  
January 14, 2016

The Regular Board Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on January 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Bear Creek Golf Club, 158 Bear Creek Drive, Wentzville MO 63385.

Chairwoman Houston called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Director Hawkins led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Open Forum: No one from the public was present to speak.

Administrative Assistant Krieger called roll, all Board Members were present Chairwoman Jennifer Houston, Director Bob Hawkins as well as Director Frank Grassmuck.

Also in attendance were Fire Chief Mike Marlo, Assistant Chief John Schneider, Deputy Chief John LeDoux, Fire Marshal Chris Cuddihee, Battalion Chief Joe Hutson, Chaplain Phil Reagan, Legal Counsel Dan McLaughlin, CPA Rick Rognan, Bond Counsel Joe Palumbo and Administrative Assistant Stacy Krieger. Many on and off duty personnel were present as many family and friends of the district to include Wentzville Mayor Nick Guccione, State Representative Bryan Spencer.

Chairwoman Houston made a motion to approve the agenda to include under New Business the addition of approving Post Tax Compliance Addendums for Issuance 2015 and 2016. It was seconded by Director Hawkins and unanimously approved by all three Board Members.

On a motion of Chairwoman Houston and a second of Director Grassmuck, the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of January 7, 2016 were unanimously approved by all three Board Members.

Chairwoman Houston made a motion to approve the Closed Meeting Minutes of January 7, 2016; it was seconded by Director Hawkins and unanimously approved by all three Board Members.

Chairwoman Houston made a motion to approve the bills; the motion was seconded by Director Hawkins, and unanimously approved by all three Board Members.

CPA Rognan provided the yearend review of the district. He commended the leadership for its commitment to fiscal responsibility. The district in a short-time has begun to build it reserves. He stated the district was 4.63% under budget for the year. There were a few line items that were

over. However, under state statute, these items will be adjusted upon Board approval at a later meeting. CPA Rognan informed every one of the strength of banks in which the district conducts business with. The district has 134 days in reserves, up from 37 days in 2013. He recommended the district continue with the conservative culture.

**Old Business:**

No Old Business

**New Business:**

Approval of Resolution 16-01 a resolution authorization of the sale of bond series 2016, CPA Rognan and Bond Counsel, Joe Palumbo from Gilmore Bell shared information regarding the sale of the \$9,750,000. There were eight bidders; Janney Montgomery offered the best rate at 2.42%. According to CPA Rognan and Bond Counsel Palumbo, this was the best bond sale of week, and the Wentzville Fire District is the talk of the region with the great things being accomplished in such a short amount of time. The savings from the top bidder to the bottom bidder was \$203,496. This is the best rate of the three issuances. October 2014 was 2.5% and October 2015 was 2.86%. These good rates are a product of the district's Aa2 rating and fiscal leadership. To complete the transaction with Janney Montgomery, Chairwoman Houston motioned to read Resolution 16-01 for a first reading it was seconded by Director Hawkins and unanimously approved by all three Board Members. Director Hawkins read:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2016, OF THE WENTZVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AN ANNUAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AS THEY BECOME DUE; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

There was no discussion.

Chairwoman Houston motioned to read Resolution 16-01 for a second reading, it was seconded by Director Hawkins and unanimously approved by all three Board Members. Director Hawkins read:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2016, OF THE WENTZVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AN ANNUAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AS THEY BECOME DUE; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

There was no discussion.

Chairwoman Houston made a motion to approve Resolution 16-01; it was seconded by Director Hawkins and unanimously approved by all three Board Members.


Chairwoman Houston motioned to approve the addendums for post-tax compliance agreements with Gilmore Bell for Bond Series 2015 and 2016; it was seconded by Director Hawkins and unanimously approved by all three Board Members.

Ceremony for Swearing in ten new hires. Chief Marlo thanked everyone for coming to be part of yet another milestone for the Wentzville Fire District. The addition of these ten new recruits at 0700 on Wednesday January 13<sup>th</sup> implemented the promise to the residents and the business community of ALS Pumpers. Assistant Chief Schneider introduced the recruits; they were sworn in and pinned by family members. Chaplain Reagan offered a pray for the firefighters and their families.

**Officer's Report:**

There were no Board reports.

At 7:03 p.m. Chairwoman Houston motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting foregoing closed session to discuss Privileged Communications; it was seconded by Director Grassmuck and unanimously approved by all three Board Members.

  
Frank Grassmuck, Secretary

  
Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary

