



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Of The Wentzville Fire Protection District
September 29, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on September 29, 2016 immediately following the Groundbreaking Ceremony at 6 p.m. at Fire Station 1 at 209 West Pearce Blvd, Wentzville MO 63385.

Chairwoman Houston called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Marlo.

Open Forum: No one was present.

Roll Call: Chief Marlo called roll. All three Board Members were present, Chairwoman Jennifer Houston, Director Frank Grassmuck and Director Bob Hawkins.

Also in attendance were Chief Mike Marlo, Assistant Chief John Schneider, Deputy Chief John LeDoux, and Battalion Chief Joe Hutson. Bryan Franz from Sentinel was also present.

Chairwoman Houston made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. It was seconded by Director Hawkins. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-yea, Director Grassmuck-yea.

On a motion of Chairwoman Houston and a second of Director Grassmuck the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2016 were motioned to approve. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-yea, Director Grassmuck-yea.

Chairwoman Houston motioned to approve the Closed Meeting of September 22, 2016. It was seconded by Director Grassmuck. . Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-yea, Director Grassmuck- yea.

Chairwoman Houston made a motion to approve the bills as submitted. The motion was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-yea, Director Grassmuck- yea.

Old Business:

Firefighter Dwyer asked for an extension on making the recommendation from the truck committee on the bids for the pumper and mid mount platform truck. Chief Marlo shared the explanation for the request from Firefighter Dwyer. He is waiting to meet with Rosenbauer concerning issues with the three pumpers recently placed into services. Chairwoman Houston expressed her concern with quality checking of the trucks when leaving the factory. She wants the Rosenbauer Rep to thoroughly check and resolve the issues with the current trucks before offering further business to Rosenbauer.

New Business:

Chief Marlo presented the Escrow Agreement for site improvements for Station 1. It was approved and signed.

Officers Report:

Chief Marlo reported on the annual campout for Teen Cert and Boy Scouts is being held at Station 3 this weekend. Chief Marlo asked the Board if the District could house a Teen Cert vehicle, the board stated there is a lot going on this is not a good time to house additional vehicle. Chief Marlo shared a thank you from a Fire Department who received a condolence on our district's behalf. Chief Marlo also shared the information regarding ISO ratings. He stated that beginning January 1, 2017, our rating within 5 road miles of a fire station the rating will be a four, and anything beyond five road miles is a ten. Chief Marlo is working on a road map showing the coverage; with the addition of the stations we should cover 90% of our district within five road miles.

Assistant Chief Schneider requested a signature on the Foundation Wealth Management agreement which has been through legal.

Deputy Chief LeDoux stated he is finishing up the training software platform. He reminded the Board the testing is Saturday for new candidates.

Fire Marshal Cuddihee excused himself to go to Station 2, with a truck load delivered to Station 1 at the time of the meeting. Chief Marlo shared that Fire Marshal Cuddihee is videoing all the trainings on all the new functions of units at the new stations. It can be uploaded to our training platform. Chief Marlo complimented the Fire Marshal at being the project manager for these projects.

Battalion Chief Hutson reported on ladder testing tomorrow. He also reported he is updating the platform for scheduling platform.

Legal Counsel McLaughlin nothing to report


Labor: Firefighter/EMT Kersting reported on the live fire training. He also reminded the Board Saturday is the trivia night for the Coats for Kids.

Committee Report, Firefighter/EMT Dwyer reported on 9842, there is a crack in the torque box that does not affect the functionality of the truck, but does need to be repaired. There is also quite a bit of rust in the area of repair. The torque box is under warranty, but the rust repair is not. The Board asked if this is the same crack from before or new. It is a new crack according to Firefighter/EMT Dwyer

Bryan Franz spoke to the issues on the Rosenbauer and how Sentinel is on high alert and working extra hours to resolve the issues. . Chairwoman Houston thanked Bryan Franz for the engagement of Rosenbauer and Sentinel to resolve the issues, but the bottom line is the trucks need to be in service to do their work.

Chairwoman Houston motioned to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. It was seconded by Director Grassmuck.

Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-yea, Director Grassmuck- yea


Frank Grassmuck, Secretary


Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary