

## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Of The Wentzville Fire Protection District March 9, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on March 9, 2017 at Station 1 at 209 West Pearce Blvd, Wentzville, MO 63385.

Director Grassmuck called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Marlo.

Open Forum: No one was present.

Roll Call: Chief Marlo called roll. Chairwoman Jennifer Houston was present via the telephone. Director Frank Grassmuck was present. Director Bob Hawkins was present but late to the meeting.

Also in attendance were Fire Chief Mike Marlo, Assistant Chief John Schneider, Deputy Chief John LeDoux, Fire Marshal Chris Cuddihee, and Legal Counsel Dan McLaughlin. Tim Kanke from StL Storage was also present.

Director Grassmuck made a motion to approve the agenda with addition of going into closed session for Privileged Communication; it was seconded by Chairwoman Houston. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-yea.

On a motion of Director Grassmuck and a second of Chairwoman Houston the Regular Minutes of March 2, 2017 were motioned to approve. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkinsabsent, Director Grassmuck-yea.

On a motion of Director Grassmuck and a second of Chairwoman Houston, the Closed Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2017 were motioned to approve. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-yea.

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

## Old Business:

Captain Dwyer was present to learn the Board's decision regarding the filing of the Class Action Lawsuit against Caterpillar. The Board approved the filing and Mark will file on Friday, March 10, 2017.

## **New Business:**

Tim Kanke representing StL Storage requested a variance for his gate at 1030 South Pointe Prairie. Fire Marshal Cuddihee and Inspector Mosher reviewed the Ordinance and provided information to the Board to make a decision. The Board granted the variance under a motion of Director Grassmuck and a second of Chairwoman Houston. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-yea.

## Officers Report:

Chief Marlo gave an update on the tornado touch down in our district. He stated the crews did a great job. There was also discussion regarding the survey done for Station 1 when the district swapped land with the City for the Vietnam Memorial indicating the survey was only for Station 1 and not the adjoining property to the West and that the parking spaces are part of the lot land, and not the station. Chief Marlo also reported he received a letter from Spectrum regarding 911 Circuits; it is to be signed and returned indicating our lines are not dedicated for 911 calls and these go through a dispatch agency. Jeff Smith from St. Charles County Emergency Communication's has been notified as well. Chief Marlo also stated the District has applied for a Grant through MEM for an ATV Brush unit. He also reported on fires in Lincoln County, St. Joe West and a deck fire in Station 4's area.

Assistant Chief Schneider informed the Board this weekend is the Irish Heritage Festival and Parade. Two of our trucks and Chief Marlo will be in the parade and that several off duty members working at the event. He also reported, he and Battalion Chief Scott met with Mary LaPak of the Wentzville School District to discuss plans for truck and firefighter visits for the upcoming year. Assistant Chief Schneider also stated the district will be placing information

about smoke detector battery changing out on social media because Spring Forward is this weekend.

Deputy Chief LeDoux reported on training the crews have been having. Dr. Callisone taught about strokes. He also stated they have been working with the school district, training officers and SCCAD in preparation for Spring Training of a Mass Casualty incident.

Fire Marshal Cuddihee shared with the Board that the City of Wentzville will be releasing some escrow for Stations 2 & 5 next week.

Battalion Chief Huston reiterated Chief Marlo and the numerous fires over the weekend.

Legal Counsel McLaughlin had nothing to report.

Labor had nothing to report.

Committee Members had nothing to report.

Board Report had nothing to report.

Director Hawkins motioned to suspend the Regular Meeting to go into closed for Privileged Communications at 6:29 p.m. it was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-yea, Director Grassmuck-yea.

The Board returned to open session at 6:38 p.m. and on a motion of Director Hawkins and second of Director Grassmuck the board adjourned the Regular Meeting. Chairwoman Houston-yea, Director Hawkins-yea, Director Grassmuck-yea.

Frank Grassmuck, Secretary

Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary