



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Of The Wentzville Fire Protection District of September 14, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on September 14, 2017 at Station 1 at 209 West Pearce Blvd, Wentzville, MO 63385.

Chairwoman called the meeting to order after the Tax Hearing at 6:15

Open Forum: No one was present.

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

Also in attendance were Fire Chief Mike Marlo, Fire Marshal Chris Cuddihee, Battalion Chief Michael Scott and Shop Steward Max Mueller

Chairwoman Houston made a motion to approve the agenda to include tabling the approval of the regular meeting minutes; it was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.

On a motion of Chairwoman Houston and a second of Director Grassmuck, the bills were approved as presented. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.

CPA Rognan presented the August financials. Currently the district is 62.64% under budget or \$456,000 All great financial management tools. The district is trending to be better than last year. The district is very conservative at budgeting, thus the reason to be able to voluntarily roll back as mentioned in the tax hearing. There are a few categories that are slightly over the 66% benchmark. Much of this is timing. Vehicle maintenance is anticipated to be over for the year. Capital projects budget was reviewed, almost seven million to spend before the end of the year. CPA Rognan stated there is 14 months of cash in reserve and in 2013 there was only 39 days. This is a 36% increase thanks to a mind-ful management. Everything looks phenomenal. He discussed the CD rates and stated the rates will most likely be going up. St Louis Bank and Reliance both pledge properly to protect the district's fund. Permits are down a little bit, but will pick up again. The calls through August the district is up 104 calls. Great leadership, great bottom line development, keep it up.

Old Business:

Chief Marlo stated he closed on the Peine Road. Sold the property for \$226,000, \$225 closing fee (Seller), Wire Fee Title Partners \$10, Closing Protection Letter to Alliant National Title Insurance \$25, Commission for our agent \$5,650 and seller broker \$5,650 the district ended up with \$214,440. Jake worked hard between the lines, the buyers wanted in early, but were not allowed.

New Business:

Resolution 17-04: Chairwoman Houston motioned to read for a first reading. Seconded Director Hawkins:

Chairwoman Houston read:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WENTZVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

The 2017 tax levy within the Wentzville Fire Protection District, when levied upon every dollar of taxable tangible property within the Wentzville Fire Protection District shown by the last completed assessment, shall be a total of **\$0.8667 Cents** per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars assessed valuation and is broken down as follows:

1. The 2017 tax levy within the Wentzville Fire Protection District, when levied upon every dollar of taxable tangible property within the Wentzville Fire Protection District shown by the last completed assessment, shall be a total of **\$0.7117 Cents** per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars assessed valuation for the general operating expenses as provided in Sections 321.610 and 321.241 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
2. The 2017 tax levy within the Wentzville Fire Protection District, when levied upon every dollar of taxable tangible property within the Wentzville Fire Protection District shown by the last completed assessment, shall be a total of **\$0.1550 Cents** per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing revenue required for debt service as provided in Section 321.260 and 321.330 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

Chairwoman Houston motion to read Resolution 17-04 for a second reading as read.

Chairwoman motioned to approve Resolution 17-04 for the tax rate of \$0.8667 cents per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed valuation \$0.7117 cents for the general operating expenses and \$0.1550 cents per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed valuation for providing revenue for the debt service.

Officers Report:

Chief Marlo reported on the Shockley Verdict. The fire districts in Region C coordinators have a very solid plan in place. He explained the plan and how the district is on standby for a need. Chief Marlo provided an updated on Hurricane Harvey, explaining the reimbursement process for the use of our equipment and

manpower. Our bill to the State of Missouri is \$38,635.03. Total estimate from the county was \$263,799. He explained overtime will look a little wacky until the reimbursement comes back. Chief Marlo informed the board he received a thank you for the county-fair. He recognized Battalion Chief Scott for his efforts for the crews for manning the fair.

Assistant Chief Schneider was on vacation.

Deputy Chief LeDoux was on vacation.


Fire Marshal Cuddihee provided an updated on the bio-detention at station 1. He also informed the Board the move date is still October 1st for the new station 1. He invited the board for a walk through. He stated House 4 is moving along and thinks they will be in late November or early December.

Battalion Chief Scott shared with the board the crews are visiting day cares. He also stated FEMA grants are still being awarded so we are not out yet. He stated the district will be able to close out 2016 FEMA grant and meet our extension as several members will be attending a Peer Fitness Training. Battalion Chief Scott stated 9854 is back from Sentinel. The coating still needs to be completed before being placed in service. All trucks pumped and passed. The new vehicle for Deputy Chief LeDoux is getting close. Currently the district is at 3041, which is 128 over last and 107 over five years ago; the reason for such closeness is due to dispatching protocols five years ago.

Legal Counsel McLaughlin had nothing to report.

Captain Max Mueller stated the two week waiting period was over and he is now officially the Shop Steward. There are a lot of meetings set up in the next few days. There is a budget meeting next week with CPA Rognan. Shop Steward Mueller stated the committees are working hard preparing for this meeting. He also stated there will be a labor management on September 26th, nothing pressing at this time. He also reported Nick Box informed him there will be special guest from Philadelphia at our trivia night to see how we raise so much money for Coats for Kids.

At 6:45 p.m. Chairwoman Houston motioned to adjourn. It was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye


Frank Grassmuck, Secretary


Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary