



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
of the Wentzville Fire Protection District of October 11, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on October 11, 2018 at Station 1 at 502 Luetkenhaus Blvd., Wentzville, MO 63385

Chief Mike Marlo led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chief Marlo called the regular meeting to order at 6 pm

Open Forum: No one from the public was present.

Roll Call: Chief Marlo called roll. Two board members were present; Chairwoman Jennifer Houston, Director Frank Grassmuck. Director Bob Hawkins was absent.

Also in attendance were Chief Mike Marlo, Chief John Schneider, Fire Marshal Chris Cuddihee, Battalion Chief Willie Meyer, and Shop Steward Max Mueller as well as Assistant Shop Steward Bryan Notheis. Also in attendance were Administrative Assistants Stacy Krieger and Lisa Potts as well as the Hauk Family, Brady & Miranda Keeven, the Krieger Family, the Shine Family, Shelby Kappen and Ethan Wilcox, Ben Holste, Brittany James, Jason and Samantha Horn, Lauren Penny, Delanie McDaniel.

Chairwoman Houston made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of CPA Rognan's September financial report; it was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-aye.

Chairwoman Houston motioned to approve the open meeting minutes of October 4, 2018; the motion was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-aye.

Chairwoman Houston motioned to approve the closed meeting minutes of October 4, 2018; the motion was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-aye.

On a motion of Chairwoman Houston and a second of Director Grassmuck, the Pension Board Meeting minutes of October 4, 2018 were approved. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-aye.

Chairwoman Houston motioned and Director Grassmuck seconded the approval the bills as presented. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-aye.

CPA Rognan presented the September Financials indicating all good news. CPA Rognan stated the letter certifying our tax rates has been received from the State Auditor. CPA Rognan recommends publishing the Senate Bill 870 notification putting all Chapter 99, Chapter 100 and Chapter 353 on notice of the new law setting approval to receive 100% of the tax rate set year. CPA Rognan stated this letter will be published each year when setting the tax rate for informational purposes. The board agreed to publish. He then indicated the district is 4.95% under budget or \$570,000 under budget. The district is trending to remain under budget. He reviewed the summary of revenue and expenses and the conservative nature of this district. CPA Rognan stated to look at interest received; stating the amount of interest being earned will cover a number of line items with the budget going forward. He stated there are five line items on a watch list; line being over have to do with timing. CPA Rognan indicated the district has one year of expenses in reserves; this is phenomenal in that 4 years ago there was 39 days in reserve. He recommends staying conservative and commended the board and administration for top line management.

CPA Rognan stated the calls are up 93 calls over last year at 437 for the month.

Chief Marlo moved forward to New Business, Kids Camp Recognition. Chairwoman Houston spoke and thanked the families for their support in a fun event for kids. Stating it means a lot for young adults in our community to help. The sentiment was reiterated by the board and the Chiefs. Each helper was presented a certificate and letter of service hours for their efforts. Those presented were Brady Keeven, Claire and Wesley Hauk, Ethan Wilcox, Ella and Ava Shine, Lindsey Krieger, Delanie McDaniel, Lauren Penny, and Samantha Horn. Adult helpers recognized were Ben Holste, Brittany James as well as Administrative Assistants Stacy Krieger and Lisa Potts.

#### **Old Business:**

Chief Schneider informed the board he received 4-5 more Anthem options and plan to meet with Kevin Cunneen next week.

#### **New Business:**

Covered above

#### **Officers Report:**

Chief Marlo stated everything went well with the closing of Station 4 last week.

Chief Schneider stated Foundation Wealth Management is assisting with negotiations of the Total Retirement option with Empower.

Chief LeDoux was absent.

Fire Marshal Cuddihee reported the inspection bureau has issued over 200 permits in Emergency Reporting and he and Inspector Mosher are working with running reports. Fire Marshal Cuddihee stated between the two of them, they have over 346 inspections for the year. Six new permits were received today. Fire Marshal Cuddihee also stated he is working on issues with duct work at Station 4.

Battalion Chief Willie Meyer was at a PFE.


Legal Counsel McLaughlin was not present.

Shop Steward Max Mueller reported the collective bargaining

Committee reports: No Report

Chairwoman Houston motioned to suspend the Regular Meeting for Closed Session at 6:26 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-aye.

The board returned to open session to announce they approved a three year agreement with Spector, Wolf, McLaughlin and O'Mara. The board adjourned at 6:35 p.m. and on a motion of Chairwoman Houston and a second of Director Grassmuck. Chairwoman Houston-aye, Director Hawkins-absent, Director Grassmuck-aye.

  
Frank Grassmuck, Secretary

  
Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary