



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Of the Wentzville Fire Protection District of November 30, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on November 30, 2023, at Wentzville Fire District Headquarters, 502 Luetkenhaus Blvd, Wentzville, MO 63385

Chief John Schneider called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

Open Forum: No one from the public was present.

Chief Schneider called Roll. Three Board Members were present: Director Jennifer Houston, Director Frank Grassmuck, and Director Chad Wilson.

Other attendees included Assistant Chief John LeDoux, Deputy Chief Michael Scott, Fire Marshal Chris Cuddihee, Battalion Chief Willie Meyer, and Shop Steward Max Mueller,

The agenda was approved as presented on a motion by Director Houston and a second from Director Grassmuck. Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

On a motion from Director Houton and a second from Director Wilson, the regular meeting minutes of November 16, 2023, were approved. Director Houston- aye, Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

No question about bills. Director Houston motioned to approve the bills as presented. Director Grassmuck seconded the motion. Director Houston- aye, Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

Old Business:

The board reviewed options for Workers' compensation renewal. The decision was made to go with the \$10,000 deductible option and focus on lowering the EMOD for the future.

New Business:

Chief Schneider presented the 2023 year-end audit engagement letter from Keith Slusser. The Board agreed to engage Keith Slusser with Fick Eggemeyer again.

Officers Report:

Chief Schneider reported funds were received from a Community Improvement District at Bryan and Fiese. There was discussion concerning new laws governing Community Improvement Districts. The board was informed the district keeps track of these in the office and reviews weekly municipal meeting agendas for related items. Chief Schneider also informed the board that CPA Rognan would be at the next meeting to discuss a supplement pension payment.

Assistant Chief LeDoux reported to the board that the RFPs are due tomorrow, 12/1. He will review it and bring it to the board later. He also stated that a procurement company approached him on the RFPs sent out. He stated he has been in contact with Legal Counsel on the request. He also reported that the Solar Panel company was out today, but it was raining, so issues with the hail damage at Station 3 are still being addressed. Assistant Chief LeDoux informed the board that the new guys have cleared medical and will order uniforms and gear.

Deputy Chief Scott informed the board he is working with the equipment committee, which reviewed the Thermal Imaging Cameras as part of the grant process. He is working with FEMA on preliminary works for ordering. He also stated he is working on a radio funding grant to replace all mobiles and portables. Deputy Chief Scott informed the board that the Fire Academy will be here tonight, this Saturday, and on the 9th. They are doing end-of-class evaluations. He also shared that the Christmas Parade is Sunday, starting at 6 PM at Pearce Hall and will end here at Station 1. Deputy Chief Scott also stated he is scheduling classes for next year. There will be an outside instructor here next week for the Electric Vehicles class and a National Fire Academy Class the following week.

Fire Marshal Cuddihee's reported construction is slowing down for the end of the year. So, in the meantime, they have been getting many annual inspections completed. He also reported on a fire on Monday; he stated the crews laid 1350 feet of hose and put a good stop to the fire.

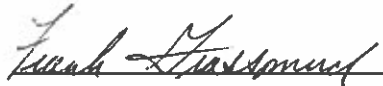
Battalion Chief Meyer had no report.

Shop Steward Mueller reminded everyone of Donatelli's 6 pm tomorrow. Director Houston wished everyone a Happy Holiday as she could not attend.

Legal Counsel was not present.

Board Report: The next meeting will be December 5th at 8:30 am, December 14 at 4:30 pm, December 19 at 8:30 am and December 26th at 8:30 am

The board adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m. on a motion of Director Houston, seconded by Director Wilson. Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.



Frank Grassmuck, Secretary



Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary