



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Of the Wentzville Fire Protection District of November 9, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on November 9, 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. Two Board Members were present: Director Frank Grassmuck-present and Director Chad Wilson-present. Director Houston-absent.

Other attendees included Assistant Chief John LeDoux, Deputy Chief Michael Scott, Battalion Chief Willie Meyer, Shop Steward Max Mueller, Captain Fred Hohenshell, and Firefighter Paramedic Pat Szarwinski. As well as CPA Rick Rognan and Scott Robson from Assured Partners and David from Selective.

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

On a motion of Director Grassmuck and second of Director Wilson, the regular meeting minutes of November 2, 2023, were approved. Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

Director Grassmuck motioned, and Director Wilson seconded the approval of the closed meeting minutes of November 2, 2023. Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

There were no questions on the bills. Director Grassmuck motioned, and Director Wilson seconded to approve the bills as presented. Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

CPA Rognan provided September's Financial Report. Ten months in, and the benchmark is 83.30%. The district is at 84.29% or .99% over. The district is trending in the right direction. CPA Rognan reviewed revenues and expenses, indicating that all revenue categories have exceeded the budget. 9.42% more revenue than projected. A few categories are slightly over, mostly timing. Vehicle Maintenance is 98.6%; this category will be over budget. Our revenue is still more than our expenses. CPA Rognan commended the district, indicating they are doing a great job on the bottom line management.

**Old Business:**

Scott Robson from Assured Partners and David from Selective presented the 2024 Workers Compensation Renewal. Rates-Codes per member, experience, and underwriter credit are the three things that go into Workers' Compensation

premiums. Missouri Employer's Mutual is one of the few companies that will write firefighters. They discussed a deductible option to control future worker's compensation premiums. The board will review the proposal and revisit it at the next meeting.

Assistant Chief LeDoux informed the board that four bids were received to repair the damage at Station 3. \$105,000 was the insurance estimate. Allen Roofing & Construction would be the recommendation from the committee. Allen bid \$87,000. Director Grassmuck motioned, and Director Wilson seconded to accept the Allen bid. Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

#### **New Business:**

CPA Rognan discussed the proposed 2024 budget. He stated that the board will have time to review, and CPA Rognan will seek approval at the December 14<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Director Grassmuck asked how the new legislation would freeze the property tax for seniors. CPA Rognan stated it would affect the general fund over time, but a lot can still happen related to this legislation. The committee has put together a very conservative budget, making this process straightforward and transparent.

Chief Schnieder introduced Resolution 23-05, calling for a six-year board seat C. He read Resolution 23-05. There was no discussion, and on a motion of Director Grassmuck and a second of Director Wilson, the board adopted Resolution 23-05. Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

Chief Schneider again introduced a second Resolution, 23-06, calling for a board seat to carry out the remainder of Board Seat B through April 2027. He read Resolution 23-06. Director Grassmuck motioned, and Director Wilson seconded the adoption of Resolution 23-06. Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

Resolutions Attached

#### **Officers Report:**

Chief Schneider had nothing to report.

Assistant Chief LeDoux informed the board he and Administrative Assistant Potts will be onboarding the new members next week. They are in the process of getting fitted for turnout gear and completing their physicals/drug testing.

Deputy Chief Scott stated they are finishing mutual aid training on Monday. A few went to the Instructors Conference last weekend and attended classes on Lithium ION batteries. We have an electric vehicle class coming in December.

Fire Marshal Cuddihee stated plans are continuing to come in frequently. He toured the Hydrogen plant with C shift.

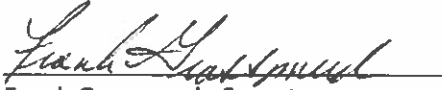
Battalion Chief, no report.

Shop Steward Mueller invited the board to a Christmas Party on December 1<sup>st</sup> at Donatelli's from 6-10 pm.

Legal Counsel McLaughlin was not present.

Board Report: The next meeting will be November 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

The board adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m. on a motion of Director Grassmuck and seconded by Director Wilson.  
Director Grassmuck-aye, Director Wilson-aye.

  
Frank Grassmuck, Secretary

  
Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary



**RESOLUTION NO. 23-05**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN ELECTION OF A BOARD OF DIRECTOR  
FOR BOARD SEAT C OF THE WENTZVILLE FIRE PROTECTION  
AT THE APRIL 2, 2024, ELECTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WENTZVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** That an election shall be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, by the Wentzville Fire Protection District, State of Missouri (the "District") for the purpose of electing one (1) Board Member for a term of six (6) years to Board Seat C.

**Section 2.** That any qualified person wishing to have their name on the ballot shall submit their name as a candidate to the Fire Chief or his designee no sooner than December 5, 2023, and not later than December 26, 2023, in accordance with Ordinance 20 of the District and Section 321.210 RSMo., with any conflict between Ordinance 20 and Section 321.210 RSMo. Being resolved in favor of Section 321.210 RSMo.


**Section 3.** Notice of the election, qualification of the Directors, and direction for declaring candidacy are approved and directed to be posted.

**Section 7.** Savings Except as specifically set forth herein, nothing contained in this Resolution shall in any manner be deemed or construed to alter, modify, supersede, supplant or otherwise nullify any other Resolution or Ordinance of the District or the requirements thereof whether or not relating to or in any manner connected with the subject matter hereof.

**Section 8.** Enactment This Resolution 23-05, having been duly considered and voted upon by the Board of Directors of the District, was duly adopted by Motion on November 14, 2023.

  
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Chairwoman of the Board

  
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Secretary of the Board

  
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Treasurer of the Board



**RESOLUTION NO. 23-06**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN ELECTION OF A BOARD OF DIRECTOR  
FOR BOARD SEAT B OF THE WENTZVILLE FIRE PROTECTION  
AT THE APRIL 2, 2024, ELECTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WENTZVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

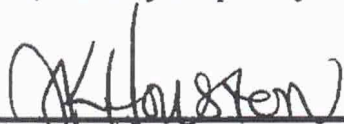
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**Section 8.** **Enactment** This Resolution 23-06, having been duly considered and voted upon by the Board of Directors of the District, was duly adopted by Motion on November \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

  
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Chairwoman of the Board

  
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Secretary of the Board

  
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Treasurer of the Board