



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Of the Wentzville Fire Protection District of January 26, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on January 26, 2023, immediately following the Pension Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Chief Schneider called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.

Open Forum: No one from the public spoke.

Roll Call: Chief Schneider called roll. Three Board Members were present Director Bob Hawkins-present, Director Jennifer Houston-present, and Director Frank Grassmuck-present.

Also in attendance were Assistant Chief John LeDoux, Deputy Chief Michael Scott, Fire Marshal Chris Cuddihee, Shop Steward Max Mueller, Assistant Shop Steward Bryan Notheis, Captain Fred Hohenshell, and Firefighter Paramedic Pat Szarwinski. Legal Counsel Dan McLaughlin was also present.

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

On a motion of Director Hawkins and second of Director Houston, the regular meeting minutes of January 16, 2023, were approved. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.

There were no questions on the bills, and Director Houston indicated how easy the new Go Payables system is to use. Director Hawkins motioned to approve the bills. Director Grassmuck seconded. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.

Old Business:

No Old Business

New Business:

Chief Schneider and Fire Marshal Cuddihee presented a proposal from the City of Lake Saint Louis to upgrade the Old Hwy N, which has requested an easement in the back of the property. Legal Counsel has reviewed, and Fire Marshal Cuddihee met with the City with concerns about whether our sewer was safe. He was also concerned with the driveway's grade and truck access. After meeting with Terry Rigdon from the City of Lake Saint Louis, Fire Marshal

Cuddihee is ok with the proposed easement request. Chief Schneider stated that he will Legal Counsel will prepare a Resolution for approval at the next meeting since the board is good with the proposal.

Officers Report:

Chief Schneider informed the board that he and Assistant Chief Ledoux met with WSD and the St. Charles County Economic Developer. The county indicated that county-wide permitting is dropping, but it is still very active in our area. He also shared that fiber cables were laid throughout the county as part of the county-wide light pre-emption. The county is now offering access to the municipalities and fire districts since county residents paid for the project. Chief Schneider is setting up a meeting with the county, the fire districts, and Feathershark to see how this could be a cost savings measure over Charter Spectrum.

Assistant Chief LeDoux thanked Legal Counsel and Nyhart for working on the retirement package. He updated the retiree process for the district's first retiree in June 2023. Assistant Chief LeDoux finished the Cyber Security Policy and forwarded it to Legal Counsel.

Deputy Chief Scott stated he has all EMS training CEU updated. He informed the board that Admin Assistant Krieger is helping to ensure Target Solutions is updated. The outside instructor class for March has been finalized. He also stated that in the first half of the year, Traffic Incident Management will be scheduled for our staff through MODOT.

Fire Marshal Cuddihee reported on tours at GM; GM is telling him that the plant will be doubling in 2024, the district will become busier.

Battalion Chief Hutson had nothing to report.


Shop Steward Mueller had no report.

Legal Counsel McLaughlin had no report.

Chief Schneider shared the information for Community Outreach events, the Cinco, Golf Tournament, and Bingo, and to watch for emails on these events.

Director Hawkins asked Legal Counsel to review the Secure 2.0 Roth Contribution match contributions to 401A that Ms. Carlo referred to in her report.

On a motion of Director Hawkins and a second of Director Grassmuck, the meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.


Frank Grassmuck, Secretary


Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary