



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Of the Wentzville Fire Protection District of December 15, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on December 15, 2022, at Wentzville Fire District Headquarters, 502 Luetkenhaus Blvd, Wentzville, MO 63385, at 11:00 a.m.

Fire Chief John Schneider called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Open Forum: No one from the public was present at the Board.

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, Battalion Chief Joe Hutson, Legal Counsel Dan McLaughlin, Shop Steward Max Mueller, and Administrative Assistants Lisa Potts, Stacy Krieger, Firefighter Paramedic Jake Plaggenburg and Firefighter Paramedic Brent Stenslokken. Scott Robson from Assured Partners was also present.

Director Hawkins motioned to approve as presented. Director Grassmuck seconded it. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.

On a motion from Director Hawkins and a second from Director Houston, the Board Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2022, were approved. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.

Old Business:

No Old Business.

New Business:

MEM Work Comp Renewal. Scott Robson presented the board with information about the work comp renewal. There was a significant increase in premiums to be paid for 2023. There were discussions regarding controlling costs, from policy and safety meetings to light duty to more strenuous drug testing. Director Houston would like to discuss this in further detail. Mr. Robson explained that this is business at the end of MEM; they will not keep paying out more than they bring in.

Officers' Report:

Chief Schneider reminded the board that the next meeting would be on December 29th. There will be no meeting next week.

Administrative Assistant Potts discussed the change from Procurement Partners to Go Payables. Changes were being made to Procurement Partners that would not work for the district. Ms. Potts researched other options, and Go Payables was discovered. She, Chief Schneider, and Assistant Chief LeDoux have been sampling the platform and believe it is user-friendly. Ms. Pott explained how the new platform would work and will review it individually with the board to ensure their understanding. The district would like to go live with the program on January 9th. Chief Schneider informed the open board enrollment is taking place through tomorrow.

Assistant Chief LeDoux reported on some end-of-the-year maintenance taking place. He stated that the water heaters at Station 3 are being replaced, and they will see a bill from Heggemann coming through. He also reported that the GIS mapping project is coming.

Deputy Chief Scott stated that training is winding down. He reported hearing good feedback from the Fire Ground Survival training that has been taking place. Deputy Chief Scott informed the board that he has secured several 2023 training classes and will enter them into the calendar.

Fire Marshal Cuddihee informed the board that he would attend the City of Foristell's planning and zoning meeting tonight to find out more information about what is being proposed for the 200 acres adjacent to Station 3. He also stated that the district should receive plans soon for the Hydrogen Plant off Hwy A and Mexico Road.


Battalion Chief Hutson stated he is working on end-of-the-year reports.

Legal Counsel McLaughlin did not have anything for open session.

Shop Steward Mueller stated that everything had been covered.

Director Hawkins motioned, and Director Grassmuck seconded to suspend the regular meeting at 11:24 am for closed session for privileged communication and personnel. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.

The board returned to open session, and on a motion of Director Hawkins and a second of Director Grassmuck, the meeting was adjourned at 11:59 a.m. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.


Frank Grassmuck, Secretary


Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary