



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Of the Wentzville Fire Protection District of August 12, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Wentzville Fire Protection District was held on August 12, 2021, at Wentzville Fire District Headquarters, 502 Luetkenhaus Blvd, Wentzville, MO 63385

Chief Schneider called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Open Forum: No one from the public was present for comment.

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

Also, in attendance was Assistant Chief John LeDoux, Deputy Chief Michael Scott, Fire Marshal Chris Cuddihee, Battalion Chief Chris Browder. CPA Rick Rognan was also present as well as crews from 9815 and 9854. Special guests included the Dean Zoellner Family, Kyle Stuhlman Family and Jesse Decalmbre Family. Shawn Willis from St. Charles County Scanner Traffic and Alderman Dale Kling of the City of O'Fallon were present as well.

Director Hawkins made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. it was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.

Chief Schneider asked to move directly into the recognition of Kyle Stuhlman and Jesse Delcambre for their heroic efforts in alerting the Zoellner family that their home was on fire the night of July 10, 2021, due to a lightning strike. Ironically, during the presentation, a severe storm was occurring, and the power went out briefly. In a society where many do not want to get involved, the actions of these two young men provided a positive outcome for the lives of the Zoellner family. Mr. Zoellner expressed is deep appreciation to Kyle and Jesse. Alderman Kling shared his appreciation on behalf of the City of O'Fallon. Deputy Chief Scott stated the importance to call 911 if they feel their home was struck by lightning, this is a prime example. The Zoellner family home encountered what they thought to be a strike, Mr. Zoellner immediately assessed the home to find nothing out of the ordinary and went back to bed. 30 minutes later, Kyle and Jesse were banging on their doors and windows to alert them of the fire.

The board concluded the presentation at 6:10 and moved into the business portion of the meeting in the executive board room to allow for pictures and gathering of the special guests.

Director Hawkins motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 5, 2021; it was seconded by Director Houston. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-absent, Director Grassmuck-aye.

CPA Rognan discussed the Tax Hearing to be scheduled for September 9th. The board approved this date for an in-person meeting. There was discussion about the debt service tax rate and possible bond renewal in 2024. CPA Rognan presented the July financials.

Old Business:

No Old Business

New Business:

Recognition of Kyle Stuhlman and Jesse Delcambre was addressed at the beginning of the meeting

Officers Report:

Chief Schneider stated the Hwy Z fire has a civilian also deserving of recognition for saving the resident and asked to have a ceremony of recognition. Chief Schneider presented documents for Director Houston's bond renewal for signature. He also reported he, John LeDoux, Chris Cuddihee and Steve Mosher will be attending a Comprehensive City Planning meeting tomorrow. Chief Schneider stated an Officers meeting is scheduled to discuss MEM/Work Comp, and future planning. He stated data will start being collected for future bond endeavors. Chief Schneider stated there are five Thursdays in September. It was decided to not have a meeting on September 16th.

Assistant Chief LeDoux had no report.

Deputy Chief Scott had no report.

Fire Marshal Cuddihee thanked Inspector Mosher, and Admin Assistants Krieger and Potts for their hard work during these busy few months.

Battalion Chief had no report.

Legal Counsel McLaughlin was not present.

Shop Steward Mueller was not present.

Director Houston shared she will not be present at the August 26th board meeting.

Director Hawkins motioned adjourn the regular meeting at 6:36 p.m. The motion was seconded by Director Grassmuck. Director Hawkins-aye, Director Houston-aye, Director Grassmuck-aye.



Frank Grassmuck, Secretary



Stacy Krieger, Recording Secretary