

**Fenton Fire Protection District**

***Meeting of the Board of Directors***

**February 9, 2022**

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A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Fire Protection District (hereinafter called the "District") was held via video conferencing on Wednesday, February 9, 2022, originating at the Fenton Fire Protection District, 845 Gregory Lane, Fenton, Missouri 63026.

Chairwoman Beth L. Viviano called the meeting to order at 4:00p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

The following Directors answered Roll Call:

Beth L. Viviano  
Jennifer Grimes  
Tom Ascheman

Also present was:

Romona Kaminski	District Chief
Chris McCarthy	Assistant Chief
Daniel McLaughlin	District Legal Counsel
Steve McKinney	Assistant Shop Steward

Chairwoman Viviano ruled that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The minutes from the regular and closed meeting held January 26, 2022, were presented and it was

***Moved by Director Grimes and seconded by Director Ascheman*** to approve the minutes of the regular and closed meeting January 26, 2022. Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Chief Kaminski presented the Board with the bills for review and payment, which totaled \$121,565.32. The list of bills is attached hereto and made a part hereof the minutes to the meeting. After discussion, it was

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*Moved by Director Grimes, and seconded by Director Ascherman*, to approve the bills for payment and ratification. Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Chief Kaminski presented the Board with the Treasurer’s Report on balances of account, deposits, payments, and transfers for the General, Ambulance, Dispatch, Pension, Capital Projects 2019, Debt Service, HRA and FSA Funds. Balances since last meeting are:

Simmons

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Balance as of 1/26/22</u>	<u>Balance as of 2/9/22</u>
General	\$17,561,657.45	\$19,092,182.42
Ambulance	\$6,108,524.79	\$6,541,301.54
Dispatch	\$567,618.98	\$657,361.93
Pension	\$823,804.20	\$1,010,240.38
Capital Projects		
2019	\$6,452,951.25	\$6,434,202.98
Debt Services	\$2,799,526.43	\$3,179,686.20
HRA	\$10,688.76	\$8,489.09
FSA	\$6,384.02	\$3,414.00

After discussion, it was

*Moved by Director Grimes and seconded by Director Ascherman* to receive the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Chief Kaminski reported that Division Chief Thiemann was unavailable. The trusses were delivered to the new headquarters building and work was progressing nicely until a bit of a slow down due to the inclement weather last week.

The next item of old business was the COVID report. Assistant Chief McCarthy reported three employees are COVID positive and symptomatic. Their symptoms are relatively mild and

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continue to be monitored. The weekly numbers in the region are trending downward and business is carrying on like normal.

Chairwoman Viviano inquired how many personnel we have in the Reserves with the unrest and possible war between Russia and the Ukraine. Chief Kaminski responded the district has one personnel in the Reserves and that individual is already on military leave.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None at the time of the agenda.

**CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Kaminski stated ice rescue training was held last week when the temperatures were cold. It has been a couple of years since the district was able to hold this form of training. The training went well and especially gave our new personnel an opportunity to practice.

Chief Kaminski spoke about holding SWAT analysis sessions with the different crews as portion of the preparation of the Strategic Plan. Chief Kaminski discussed with the crews goals and expectations for the future of the District. Division Chief DiMercurio was a great help assisting with these sessions.

Chief Kaminski advised how the district prepared and staffed for last week's winter storm.

Chief Kaminski discussed the detail of the 2022 contract from Daniel's Lawn Care for mowing services at the engine houses. After discussion, it was agreed to use Daniel's Lawn Care services for this year and possibly RFP for lawn services once the new headquarters building is complete.

Chief Kaminski talked about the check presentation of \$30,000.00 from Phillips 66. The presentation was held in front of the new headquarters building. Deputy Chief Mueller worked to acquire the grant funding for supplies needed for the new burn training tower.

Chief Kaminski spoke about several fires the crew members have run recently. One was just prior to today's board meeting. A Police Officer assisted an immobile person from the home prior to the arrival of fire personnel. Four additional mutual aid calls have taken place over the last two weeks. No injuries were sustained during these incidents.

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**SHOP STEWARD REPORT**

Assistant Shop Steward McKinney was happy to report closed nominations were held for the seven person board for the Community Outreach. The Board consists of Brett Mueller, Steve McKinney and Bryan Kempff. The executive portion of the Board consists of Jacob Nichols, President; Ryan Fenley, Vice President; Steven Clark, Treasurer; and Brad Jokerst, Secretary. These are driven personnel looking to move their Community Outreach programs forward.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

Wednesday, February, 23, at 4:00 p.m.

There being no further public comment or further business, at 4:24 p.m. a motion was made to suspend the regular meeting for purposes of going into Closed Session pursuant to Section 610.021 (1) RSMo. After discussion, it was

***Moved by Director Grimes and seconded by Director Ascherman*** to go into closed session for purposes of confidential or privileged communications Section 621.021 (1) RSMo. Motion approved and carried 3-0, Viviano – yea, Grimes – yea, Ascherman – yea.

At 5:08 p.m. Director Grimes moved to reopen the regular meeting of the Fenton Fire Protection District Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors announced the approval to post and move forward in the hiring process for the administrative support position.

**Moved by Director Grimes and seconded by Director Ascherman** in approval to move forward with the hiring process for the Administrative Support Position. Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0.

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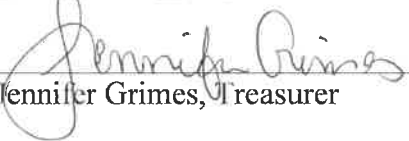
**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board of Directors, at 5:09 p.m., it was

***Moved by Director Grimes, and seconded by Director Ascheman*** to adjourn the meeting.  
Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted and attested to by,

  
Beth L. Viviano, Chairwoman

  
Jennifer Grimes, Treasurer

  
Tom Ascheman, Secretary

