

Fenton Fire Protection District

Meeting of the Board of Directors

March 8, 2023

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A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Fire Protection District (hereinafter called the "District") was held on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, originating at the Fenton Fire Protection District, 1001 Assembly Parkway, Fenton, Missouri 63026.

Chairwoman Beth Viviano ruled that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.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
Chris Thiemann	Division Chief - District Fire Marshal
Dan McLaughlin	Legal Counsel
Steve McKinney	Shop Steward

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes from the regular meeting held February 22, 2023, were presented and it was

Moved by Director Grimes and seconded by Director Ascheman to approve the minutes February 22, 2023. Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Chief Kaminski presented the Board with the bills for review and payment, which totaled \$2,229,821.03. After discussion, it was

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

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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, Capital Projects 2022, Debt Service, HRA and FSA Funds.

Simmons

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Balance as of 02/22/23</u>	<u>Balance as of 03/8/23</u>
General	\$18,510,236.03	\$18,034,752.14
Ambulance	\$7,535,868.58	\$7,470,523.01
Dispatch	\$680,802.32	\$679,953.08
Pension	\$1,138,281.13	\$1,147,853.97
Capital Projects		
2019	\$2,778.24	\$653.77
Capital Projects		
2022	\$5,265,935.89	\$5,251,019.02
Debt Services	\$3,910,916.36	\$3,923,262.69
HRA	\$12,331.35	\$6,235.76
FSA	\$10,006.06	\$11,377.74

After discussion, it was

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

OLD BUSINESS

Division Chief Thiemann advised the Board they are continuing to work through the finishing touches on the punch list at Station #2.

Division Chief Thiemann advised the Board that the Station #1 permit application has been submitted and hopes the remodel will start the first week of May. He noted bids will be opened on April 5, 2023. The Board discussed the estimated costs for the remodel.

Division Chief DiMercurio advised there was currently no employees out with COVID.

NEW BUSINESS

Battalion Chief Anderson presented his report for A Crew. He reported on the crews move to the new station. BC Anderson advised the Board that Private Fenley was going on swing and Private Madigan was being moved to Station #1. He noted that Private Robinson has successfully completed his probationary period and discussed recent outside training

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opportunities completed by A Crew, including his recent trip to the ALTS conference. BC Anderson discussed his recent efforts to improve communications between the crews. He further discussed the recent fire with 1325 as well as the Steak 'n Shake fire in the Gravois Bluffs.

Chief Kaminski presented the Board with the proclamation for retiring employee Joel Cooper. Lieutenant Cooper who will be retiring April 1, 2023.

Chiefs Kaminski and McCarthy next discussed their first time attending the CPSE Accreditation Conference, along with Division Chief Tom Dimercurio and Shop Steward Brett Mueller. They indicated the conference was a complete success and the District passed all applications with flying colors. Chief Kaminski advised that moving forward the District will begin to include many more employees in the accreditation process for succession planning. In addition, they advised the District will hold a CPSE accreditation class in the future. Chief Kaminski presented the Board with the CPSE Accreditation plaque.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Kaminski advised the Board that Keith Slusser, the District auditor, sent each of them the required conflict letters.

Chief Kaminski next discussed the many personal property tax bills currently on the floor in the Missouri legislature. They range from a 33% to 31% reduction. It was noted the bill with the ten (10) year depreciation plan is the bill that currently has the most traction on the floor. The Administration advised they are continuing to work through the potential financial impact to the District and advised both associations, Alliance and MACPDF are actively lobbying against all bills.

Chief Kaminski advised they will be meeting with the City of Fenton over the Special Use Permit for the use of modules at Station #1.

Chief Kaminski discussed with the Board the District's progressive mind set on training, especially search and rescue training.

Chief Kaminski next advised the Board a labor-management meeting was held yesterday and it went well. They began to work on reviewing the CBA and scheduled additional dates to meet.

Chief Kaminski advised the Administration continues to work on developing the Mission and Vision of the District. She advised they have been meeting once per week for the last four (4) weeks to develop a mission statement, core values of the District and a new logo.

SHOP STEWARD'S REPORT

Steve McKinney thanked the Board for joining the Missouri Critical Illness Pool and advised the

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Board the Shop is working on a Spring open house. He also discussed the return of Trivia Night on May 12, 2023 and the golf tournament on September 25, 2023.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

There being no further public comment or further business, at 4:48 p.m. a motion was made to suspend the regular meeting for purposes of going into Closed Session pursuant to Section 610.021 (1) and (3) RSMo. After discussion, it was

Moved by Director Grimes and seconded by Director Ascheman to go into closed session for purposes of confidential or privileged communications Section 621.021 (1) and (9) RSMo. Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0, Viviano – yea, Grimes – yea, Ascheman - yea.

At 5:27 p.m. Director Grimes moved to reopen the regular meeting of the Fenton Fire Protection District Board of Directors.


There was one action taken during closed session, the Board of Directors approved the potential hiring of one part-time inspector.

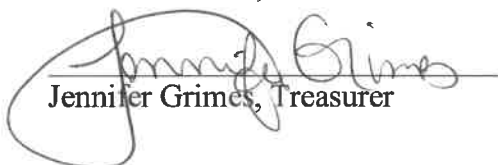
ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business before the Board of Directors, at 5:28 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