

Fenton Fire Protection District

Meeting of the Board of Directors

April 3, 2024

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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, April 3, 2024, originating at the Fenton Fire Protection District at Fire Station 2, at 1001 Assembly Parkway, Fenton, Missouri 63026.

Acting Chairwoman Jennifer Grimes called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

The following Directors answered Roll Call:

Beth L. Viviano (via telephone)
Jennifer Grimes
Tom Ascheman

Also present was:

Romona Kaminski	District Chief
Chris McCarthy	Assistant Fire Chief
Chris Thiemann	Division Chief
Daniel McLaughlin	Legal Counsel
Nick Robben	Shop Steward
Aaron Cizek	Assistant Shop Steward

Acting Chairwoman Grimes 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 March 20, 2024, were presented and it was

Moved by Director Ascheman and seconded by Director Viviano to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2024, meeting. Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Chief Kaminski presented the Board with the bills for review and payment, which totaled \$376,502.20. After discussion, it was

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Moved by Director Ascheman and seconded by Director Viviano 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 2022, Debt Service, HRA and FSA Funds.

Simmons

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Balance as of 03/20/24</u>	<u>Balance as of 04/03/24</u>
General	\$20,839,977.24	\$20,476,480.27
Ambulance	\$ 9,063,977.69	\$ 8,989,900.94
Dispatch	\$ 931,468.14	\$ 929,645.03
Pension	\$ 880,392.20	\$ 884,490.28
Capital Projects		
2022	\$ 4,818,713.29	\$ 4,815,090.97
Debt Services	\$ 2,020,760.83	\$ 2,021,297.94
HRA	\$ 1,224.00	\$ 6,224.01
FSA	\$ 18,656.59	\$ 20,058.63

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.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Kaminski presented the Quarterly Collateralization Report. She advised the District is 100% collateralized. As of March 30, 2024 the amount of funds protected by FDIC insurance was \$3,149,000.00.

CHIEF’S REPORT

Chief Kaminski advised the Board that the Cert practical exercise portion of the class was held last Saturday, March 23, 2024. Division Chief Thiemann was present to help with the class. He updated the Board on the class process.

Chief Kaminski acknowledged that Captain Anderson is the first officer with the District to obtain the certification of Fire Officer 3.

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Chief Kaminski updated the Board on the healthcare renewal. She indicated UHC came back with a 5.5% increase. No action is needed at this time.

Chief Kaminski next updated the Board on her appearance and speech at Firefighter Day at the State Capital. She indicated it was a good event and nice to network with other Statewide Chiefs.

Chief Kaminski advised the Board that Kimberly Smith and Rick Rognan found some discrepancies in the 2024 budget relative to depreciated assets. She indicated they are working with Rick Rognan's office to resolve the matter.

Chief Kaminski advised the Board that apparatus #1334 needs to have its engine rebuilt. She indicated it started as a small leak but persisted into something bigger. Chief Kaminski advised the repair will be just under \$40,000.00. Assistant Chief McCarthy indicated he believes #1334 to be eight (8) years old.

Chief Kaminski advised the Board she is working on a retiree newsletter to keep retirees informed of upcoming and on-going District events and activities. She said she is also working on a retiree coffee and donuts on April 25, 2024. Chief Kaminski said that many times when retirees come to visit active personnel are busy with other things. She believes holding such an event will allow for a scheduled time to catch up with retirees.

Chief Kaminski next advised the Board of several calls, one of which was on Easter Sunday. She indicated the District was on another call in Eureka but the crews were able to respond in a timely manner and had the fire under control in approximately sixteen (16) minutes. Chief Kaminski complimented #1337 on their remarkable job on the fire scene. She discussed with the Board the importance of BlueCard and how accurate data allows in-going crews to understand exactly what has been done and needs to be done upon arrival at the scene. Chief Kaminski further discussed a second alarm response in West County Fire Protection District on Treetop Trails and read a thank you letter from the District's Chief.

SHOP STEWARD'S REPORT

Assistant Shop Steward Cizek reminded the Board the Shop will be participating in a First Responder's 5k with 1st Phorm on May 25, 2024. He indicated the proceeds will go to Private Long's group Break the Stigma. He also indicated the Golf Outing will be May 29, 2024 at Sugar Creek Golf Course.

Shop Steward Robben next updated the Board on several issues the Shop has been working on, including developing a Peer Support Group. He indicated he has been working with Private Long as well as Chiefs Kaminski and McCarthy on the program development. Shop Steward

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Robben further advised that instead of a trivia night the Shop is working on having a more formal event and will hold a Firefighter Fall Ball at Andres later this year.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 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) and (3) RSMo. After discussion, it was

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

At 4:55 p.m. Director Grimes moved to reopen the regular meeting of the Fenton Fire Protection District Board of Directors.

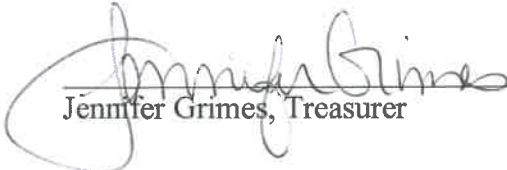
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board of Directors, at 4:56 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