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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 23, 2025, 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 Zoom) Jennifer Grimes Tom Ascheman (via Zoom)

Also present was:

Romona Kaminski District Chief

Chris McCarthy District Assistant Chief

Chris Thiemann Division Chief

Paul Wirth MarshMcLennan Agency

Daniel M. McLaughlin Legal Counsel

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 April 9, 2025, were presented and it was

Moved by Director Viviano and seconded by Director Ascheman to approve the minutes of April 9, 2025, 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 \$440,356.22. After discussion, it was

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

Simmons

<u>Fund</u>	Balance as of 4/08/25	Balance as of 4/22/25	
General	\$25,561,783.49	\$25,105,147.20	
Ambulance	\$11,162,783.71	\$11,102,900.60	
Dispatch	\$ 1,085,814.31	\$ 1,085,814.31	
Pension	\$ 1,057,144.17	\$ 1,057,144.17	
Capital Projects			
2022	\$ 172,220.64	\$ 163,891.99	
Debt Services	\$ 1,740,732.11	\$ 1,740,432.11	
HRA	\$ 2,686.12	\$ 1,910.02	
FSA	\$ 24,979.76	\$ 27,828.54	

After discussion, it was

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

OLD BUSINESS

Fire Marshal's Report

Division Chief Thiemann advised the Board that Station #1 is almost complete with some punch list items currently being completed. He further noted a claim has been filed on the roof and he believes it will result in a full replacement. Division Chief Thiemann discussed the prior RFP for the other station's roof project which included Station #1. He indicated the one (1) bidder that did respond is willing to honor his prior bid subject to the increased cost in shingles. Legal Counsel advised the Board it is legal to do so. After discussion, it was

Moved by Director Ascheman and seconded by Director Viviano to accept the previous bid from Stark Roofing for Station #1. Motion passed and unanimously carried 3-0. A copy of the bid is attached hereto and made a part hereof these minutes.

Division Chief Thiemann next advised the Board of several permits that have been issued by the Fire Marshal's Office including one for a development at the old Wet Willies site, a new Hampton Hotel and BJC Hospital project in Sunset Hills.

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NEW BUSINESS

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Chief Kaminski presented the March 2025 financial report. She indicated that with timing items the District used 18.86% of the general fund budget or was (6.14%) under budget year to date, or (\$829,474.00); and 23.16% of the ambulance fund budget, or was (1.86%) under budget year to date, or (\$93,893.00).

Chief Kaminski indicated that for the three (3) month period year versus last year, the District had \$1,835,926.00, or 31.24% more in tax revenue and miscellaneous and bond refinancing income. The District had revenues over expenditures in the amount of \$1,348,340.00. The District has a reserve of 15.40 months compared to 12.78 last year, less future contingencies.

The report is attached hereto and made a part hereof the minutes to this meeting. After discussion, it was

Moved by Director Viviano and seconded by Director Ascheman to accept and approve the report and financial statements of the District as of March 31, 2025. Motion approved and unanimously carried 3-0.

Paul Wirth, with MarshMcLennan, presented the renewals for health, dental and vision insurance for renewal on July 1, 2025. He noted the medical insurance renewal with United Healthcare is 4.0% with no plan changes. Mr. Wirth further presented the dental renewal with Delta Dental. He said Delta Dental has passed on a 3.8% increase. Mr. Wirth further advised Delta Vision remains under a two (2) year rate guarantee. After discussion, it was

Moved by Director Viviano and seconded by Director Ascheman to approve and adopt the Health and Dental renewals for July 1, 2025, and the Delta Vision through July 1, 2026. Motion passed and unanimously carried 3-0. A copy of the Renewals is hereto and made a part hereof these minutes.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Kaminski reminded the Board that with the new #1314 in-service, the District will need to consider whether to surplus the old #1314 and is considering placing it on GovDeals.com which is a governmental surplus auction site. Battalion Chief Caleb Herrell discussed his conversations with Brian Franz, from Sentinel, who advised GovDeals is the best option after a reserve has been set. He indicated the entity handles all aspects of the sale, including delivery, taxes, etc. Battalion Chief Herrell advised the Board he also reached out to Brinley Mountain which operates similar to GovDeals. He believes GovDeals is the best way to go and believes setting a reserve of \$70,000.00 is appropriate. After discussion, the Board authorized the District place

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the old #1314 apparatus on GovDeals.com with a listing price of \$150,000.00 and a reserve of \$70,000.00.

Chief Kaminski next advised the Board the Blood Drive on April 15, 2025, was a success with a decent amount of participation.

Chief Kaminski further advised the Board the District hosted Regional Testing for various courses such as Fire Instructor I, etc. She indicated Deputy Chief Mueller handled the testing.

Chief Kaminski next advised the Board a recent Operations Committee meeting was held discussing a range of issues from accreditation to placement of the new boat.

Chief Kaminski next discussed various trainings the crews have been engaged in since the last Board meeting such as critical care and combat training.

Chief Kaminski also advised the Board the Calvary Fellowship Church recently provided the crews at Station #3 with coffee as a token of their appreciation.

Chief Kaminski next discussed with the Board her vision to have a District wide two (2) minute "out the door" or "turn-out" response time for all calls. She indicated she will be providing quarterly reports to the crews and the crew with the best average response times will get a turn-out taco night prepared by the Chief herself. Chief Kaminski advised the Board that #1327 won this last quarter with an average response time of one minute and twenty-nine seconds (1:29).

Chief Kaminski advised the Board Director Viviano's election results have been certified. Her swearing in will be at the next Board meeting along with several other pinning and new hire swearing in ceremonies.

Chief Kaminski advised the Board of the recent loss of a Maryland Heights firefighter. The name of the individual has not yet been released. She advised the Board the District will step up to help the Maryland Heights when the funeral services are held.

SHOP STEWARD REPORT

The Shop Stewards were not present at the meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

There being no further public comment or further business, at 4:38 p.m. a motion was made to suspend the regular meeting for purposes of going into Closed Session pursuant to Section

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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 carried 3-0, Viviano – yea, Ascheman – yea, Grimes – yea

At 4:49 p.m. Director Ascheman 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 4:50 p.m., it was

Moved by Director Ascheman and seconded by Director Viviano 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

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