



WEST LICKING JOINT FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 19, 2012

Special Board Meeting – Public Hearing

Derek Myers opened the special meeting at 6:15 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

This is the hearing of the matter of the West Licking Joint Fire District versus David Fulmer upon charges brought by Richard L. Emmons upon allegations of misconduct in office - unwise use of public funds; creating disharmony, mistrust and a lack of confidence among the Bargaining Unit members, the Administrative staff, and the Fire Board; and misconduct in office and/or misfeasance, violation of West Licking Joint Fire District use of internet, e-mail and online services policy.

This hearing is being conducted pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 505, and Ohio Revised Code 505.38. The meeting was scheduled for October 19, 2012. Scheduled start time at 6:00 pm, but we will begin at 6:15 pm.

We will begin with the Roll Call of members.

ROLL CALL:

Jersey – Derek Myers
Harrison – Mark Van Buren
Etna – Randy Foor

Kirkersville – Brian Denton
Pataskala – Mike Fox
Reynoldsburg – Cornelius McGrady III

Mr. Fox stated that at this time, due to a prior arrangement with the Pataskala City Council, his appointing body, he will be recusing himself from the proceedings.

The stenographer will provide the official minutes of the meeting. Mr. Myers asked the attorneys to introduce themselves and identify the party they represent.

Frank Hatfield, attending on behalf of Investigator Richard L. Emmons
David Comstock, Jr., attending on behalf of Chief David B. Fulmer

Mr. Myers asked if both attorneys were ready to proceed. Both attorneys responded yes. Mr. Myers asked if the Board members were ready to proceed. All Board members responded yes.


Mr. Myers asked the attorneys if there were any procedural or other issues that they wished to address before the swearing in of the witnesses and taking of evidence. Both attorneys agreed for a separation of witnesses, so they asked that the Board instruct the witnesses who are expected to testify to not sit in on any of the testimonies or proceedings. Mr. Hatfield stated that any and all witnesses that are expected to testify, and/or under subpoena, at this time we jointly request that they exit the room via

separation of witnesses, and we will call them individually to testify. Mr. Myers requested that if anyone was called as a witness, they exit the room.

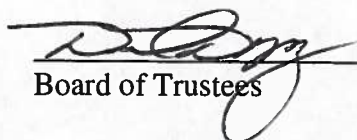
The stenographer's official transcript should be addressed for all further content herein.

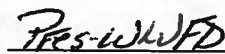
The public hearing was adjourned at 3:00 a.m., Saturday, October 20, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,


Elisabeth M. Krugh
Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:


Board of Trustees


Title

Note: These minutes were transcribed by Fiscal Officer Elisabeth M. Krugh.
These minutes are unofficial, subject to amendment, until approved by the Fire Board Members.

Guests present: Douglas Holthus, Frank Hatfield, Richard L. Emmons, David Comstock, Jr., Chief David Fulmer, AC Harold Williams, AC Ken Mathews, Brenda Williams, John Singleton, Chad Harrison, LT Jack Treinish, Rex Johnson, Paul Wise, Bruce Ashcraft, Robert Schultz, Linda Corniola, Rex Johnson, Edgar Tague, Linda Tague, James Kincaid II, Mitch Rader, Larry Kretzmann