



West Licking Joint Fire District
851 East Broad Street
Pataskala, Ohio 43062

Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

November 8, 2018

Mark Van Buren opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Jersey – Dan Wetzel

Harrison – Mark Van Buren

Etna – Jeff Johnson – absent

Kirkersville – Brian Denton

Pataskala – Tim Hickin

Reynoldsburg – Marshall Spalding

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Denton motioned to approve the October 11, 2018 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Spalding seconded. **Vote:** Denton – yes; Spalding – yes; Hickin – yes; Wetzel - yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Mr. Denton motioned to approve the October 2018 Bank Reconciliation, STAR Ohio Investment, and CDARS Statements. Mr. Spalding seconded. **Vote:** Denton – yes; Spalding – yes; Van Buren – yes; Hickin – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Mr. Hickin motioned to approve warrants 10289 - 10386. Mr. Wetzel seconded. **Vote:** Denton – yes; Spalding – yes; Van Buren – yes; Hickin – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

CONSULTANT:

A. Steve Little, Consultant, inquired if the Board would be interested in the District sponsoring a legislative breakfast to discuss the concerns with abating properties, the District's reduction in funding when properties are abated and not allowing the District to have a voice in the process. Sharing this information with State Representatives, State Senators, Commissioners, Mayors, Township Trustees and Councilmembers. Do a PowerPoint presentation to show what abating properties does to the District revenues and resources.

Discussion about sharing the District's message.

Mr. Van Buren stated the District should look into placing yearly fees on the buildings in the District to help offset this tax lost revenues.

Mr. Little will reach out to State Representatives and Senators for the area.

Dewitt Friend, Maintenance Technician thanked the Board for purchasing the lifts.

CHIEF:

A. Chief Todd Magers informed the Board, Squad 404 is in service. Thanked BC Bryan and DeWitt Friend for the work they did to get the Squad ready to go in service. There were several issues getting the squad as the Board is well aware.

- B. Chief Magers informed the Board, Penn Care just notified them this past Monday the chassis for the medic being refurbished was not ordered by Braun. Braun is launching an investigation and will inform the District as soon as they have more information.
- C. Chief Magers informed the Board, there was 41 candidates for the CPAT test and out of that the District ended up with 20 candidates. The District narrowed it down to candidates with their medic card. There were 7 scheduled for interviews and we are currently going through the processing with 4 of them to hire.
- D. Chief Magers distributed to the Board information concerning a ladder truck which was originally placed on hold until the elections were over. This information is for the Board to review as the options are reviewed.
- E. Chief Magers informed the Board, there are several items still needed to be purchased this year. AC Treinish will discuss the driveway on the list.
- F. Chief Magers discussed the first item is to purchase 9 new SCBA's. These are 45 minute bottles. The total cost of these 9 is \$43,137.00. The District has put in for 27 SCBA's through a grant.

Mr. Van Buren inquired when the District be notified on the Grant submission.

Assistant Chief Joe Krouse stated it would be a month or two before they start awarding grant funds. There is 40 rounds for this grant.

- G. Chief Magers stated the District would like to purchase 10 additional sets of PPE at a cost of \$30,000.00 to continuing the process of obtaining two set of PPE per firefighter.
- H. Chief Magers informed the Board, there is a list of surplus items within their packet.

Mr. Denton motioned to surplus the items on the November 2018 surplus inventory list. Mr. Hickin seconded. **Vote:** Denton – yes; Spalding – yes; Van Buren – yes; Hickin – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- A. Jack Treinish, Assistant Chief, informed the Board, there is a small packet with bids and photos for Station 402 driveway to access State Route 40. On the second page of the packet is the drive it starts at the old house and goes to the access point on State Route 40.

AC Treinish stated all three bidders were provided with the same requirements. Discussion concerning the bids. This is to put in the base for the driveway so it can be compacted over the winter and then the concrete would be considered in the spring of 2019.

AC Treinish stated there needs to be drains placed in front of the doors on the west side of the building. This would be done in the spring of 2019.

Mr. Van Buren motioned to award Thayer P & C \$36,105.00 to cut and fill the gravel driveway and remove the structure in the path of the new driveway. Mr. Wetzel seconded. **Vote:** Denton – yes; Spalding – yes; Van Buren – yes; Hickin – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Van Buren motioned to purchase 9 SCBA's at a not to exceed cost of \$43,137.00 and 10 sets of turnout gear at a not to exceed cost of \$30,000.00. Mr. Hickin seconded.

Discussion if this is a sufficient amount of turnout gear or if additional should be purchased prior to the price increases.

Mr. Van Buren motioned to amend the original motion to add \$60,000.00 for PPE. Mr. Hickin seconded.

Vote: Denton – yes; Spalding – yes; Van Buren – yes; Hickin – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

Vote on motion as amended to purchase 9 SCBA's for \$43,137.00 and PPE for \$90,000.00. **Vote:**

Denton – yes; Spalding – yes; Van Buren – yes; Hickin – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

B. AC Treinish, informed the Board:

1. Station 401 the siding and window installation is completed.
2. Station 402 the lifts are in, just have to be installed.
3. Station 404 the remodeling of the additional area is complete. Some of the District's personnel completed the remodeling which save the District.
4. Station 405 was having an issue with the electric so the station was operating on the generator for a couple of days and it performed perfectly.

ASSISTANT CHIEF OF EMS:

A. Joe Krouse, Assistant Chief of EMS, informed the Board the activity report is contained within their packet for October 2018.

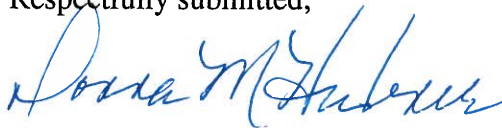
B. AC Krouse informed the Board, 1 Unit Station 403 had a cardiac save last month.

FISCAL OFFICER:

A. Donna Hubner, Fiscal Officer, inquired about setting a Budget Committee meeting. Mr. Van Buren requested it be set for 6:00 p.m. on December 13, 2018.

There being no further business, Mr. Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna M. Hubner
Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:



Board of Trustees



Title

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